

What is **Kiroptera**?

From the latin word for bat *Chiroptera*, **Kiroptera** is a musical experience that tries to take its listeners to the hidden places of their minds. A personal journey for everyone who seeks to see the hidden light in the dark.

The band was born in 2016 in Santiago, Chile. Formed by *Benjamín Villaseca (Guitar)*, *Felipe Melo (Drums)*, *Hendrik Reiher (Guitar)* and *Álvaro Cortés (Bass guitar)*. Since the very beginning they started to create experimental music in order to BREAK their own limitations and to be a response to a system that lures people into a made up reality that only benefits the system itself.

As soon as *Benjamín* and *Felipe* met, they began to create music and produce the first album as fast as they could so they could recruit new members to play live shows and finish the album as a complete band. After solving some challenges and going through different band formations, **Kiroptera's** debut album "**Refracción**" was released on June 2018.

Before that release, in January **Kiroptera** produced its first official video in cooperation with *ION RAKHMATULINA*, a Mexican *video maker* who used a high speed camera causing the video to be 100% in slow motion. That's one of the first highlights of **Kiroptera** and marks a before and after for the band in professional terms.

On August 2018, the band won the 1st prize on a popular band contest in Chile that lead them to be sponsored by the musical instruments Shop "*Casa Amarilla*" Opening the opportunity to play in the "*Fender Day*", event organized by *Fender USA* and "*Casa Amarilla*" in the beautiful "*Teletón Theater*" where they shared stage with important Chilean bands such as "*Ases Falsos*" and "*Cigarbox Man*".

In December 2018, the band did the official *release show* of their album "**Refracción**" in an important venue of Santiago called "*La Batuta*", playing alongside the great Chilean Math Rock bands "*Tortuganónima*" and "*Volkan*".

After that the band decided to move to Berlin, Germany to meet new people, places and continue with the adventure and challenge of playing their music to as much people as they can.

Now, based in a new country they are planning to release a *new EP* with some singles (which are ready) and also they will do new videos and touring gigs, promoting the new material and the album *Refracción*.

Kiroptera at Kaos Berlin



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Album back cover



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