

FOLLOWING OLYMPUS

Fact Sheet

- Genre: Alternative Rock (indie rock, pre-grunge, noise pop, punk influences)
- Origin: Ruhr area (Ruhrpott), Germany
- Founded: 2018
- Line-up: Patrick (guitar, backing vocals), Peter (drums), Roman (bass, backing vocals), Yury (lead vocals)
- Latest release: EP "Midas" (November 2025)

About Following Olympus

Following Olympus from Germany's Ruhr area (Ruhrpott) are a band whose music defies categorisation. Their songs blend gripping lyrics and catchy rock melodies into an electrifying sound that skilfully weaves together gritty indie rock, pre-grunge, noise pop and punk influences.

The band was formed in 2018 out of a group of friends and relatives who knew each other partly from childhood, school and shared flats, and partly through the theatre of the local Russian community — the idea of making music together only came up quite late, despite years of friendship. The band owes its name to a lighthearted night at its founding: the label of an ouzo bottle, which settled the argument over the right drink, showed a striking mountain — and Following Olympus was born.

Since releasing their debut EP "Dionys" in 2020, Following Olympus have been steadily gaining attention. At their very first live appearance — the preliminary round of the SPH Music Masters 2022 — they immediately won over both audience and jury, taking first place. A runner-up position in the regional final and a spot in the semi-finals followed. Throughout 2023, they further established their presence on the local music scene with a series of high-energy live shows, including a performance at "Recklinghausen leuchtet".

In December 2023, they released the single "Fly Away", which quickly became a fan favourite and stayed in the Ruhr Charts for four weeks. In January 2024, they followed up with their self-organised concert series "Rock Odyssey" at Parkhaus Meiderich in Duisburg — together with WYME and The Atrium — another strong statement of their DIY spirit. They also gained further live experience on stages such as Mayhem Chapter II in Dortmund, the Holy Diver Festival and Metal4Mercy in Wuppertal. April 2025 marked two more milestones: the band's first music video — again for "Fly Away" — and the single "Goliath", the first release from their upcoming EP, which impressively shows how Following Olympus develop earlier ideas into powerful studio productions.

In mid-November 2025, Following Olympus released "Opinion", the next single from the new EP. Late November then saw the release of the EP "Midas", underlining the band's musical maturity and

stylistic range. They celebrated the release in January 2026 with "Midas Rising" at Rotunde Bochum — a sold-out, self-organised release party and three-hour concert night featuring Eugene Is Dead and Mikado plus a DJ set by AMBAUM — another strong statement of their DIY spirit and deep roots in the scene.

Line-up

- Patrick – Guitar, backing vocals. Came to guitar through metalcore and school bands, his sound today is also shaped by punk, blues and rock'n'roll.
- Peter – Drums. Draws on drummers such as Taylor Hawkins, Chad Smith and Josh Freese, blended with his own style.
- Roman – Bass, backing vocals. Started out on guitar, switched to bass out of a love for experimenting, and draws inspiration from rock, blues, pop, punk, hip-hop and metal.
- Yury – Lead vocals. Brings experience from music school, choirs and musical theatre to the band.

Following Olympus are in their early thirties by now, but far from settled down: mature, full of energy and — at least by their own account — pretty nice guys. Only Peter, still in his late twenties, keeps proudly flying the flag for youth. They're actively working on organising new shows and producing fresh music — and continuously refining their distinctive sound: intense songs, honest energy and electrifying live shows, a musical experience that sticks with you.

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