



With gigs finally on the horizon again, Grammy Award-winning, multi-platinum-selling metal band Korn announced a two-month U.S. summer tour featuring the recently reunited hard rock band Staind with a stop at Jones Beach on Tue, Sept 28, 2021 tix: <http://KORN.jonesbeach.com>

The bands will be kicking off a mammoth 28-city run in West Palm Beach, Florida on August 5, and closing proceedings at Louisville, Kentucky's epic Louder Than Life festival on September 23.

Speaking to Kerrang! recently about Korn's lockdown experience as a whole and the positives and negatives of time away from the road, Jonathan Davis reflected, "It's been hard for some of us, and it's been better for others. I can totally relate to people going batshit crazy. When you've got an outlet and you're told that you can't do it anymore, that's gonna fuck your head up. It's not just musicians who're gonna suffer – it's everyone. One day you can go outside, the next day you can't. Then you need to wear a mask. We're told to take this vaccine, then we're told not to. We're being told so many different things that it's normal to have mental health problems. We're not made to be pinned up inside and only allowed to go out to the grocery store and to get gas. I have respiratory issues, too, so in the first part of it I thought I was gonna be a goner! It's been tough.

"Ultimately, though, it's been like an enforced time-out. It's been bittersweet. It's given me the opportunity to hang out with my family more and do some things I hadn't been able to do before: search inside me and find myself. I just hung out with my kids and my girl, listening to music and playing video games. I cooked and did shit around my house: shit that I've never done. I'm a musician – I was given a gift – but that doesn't make me different to anyone else."

Korn's latest studio release is 2019's *The Nothing*, however, frontman Jonathan Davis has confirmed that the band finished writing its follow-up a couple of weeks ago. Who is to say when they'll be able to hit the studio to start recording it now that they're going to be hitting the road — but we're more than okay with that. Right now, live music is the majority of musicians' main priority because of how long they've been deprived from taking the stage.

Staind also have new music underway. After reuniting in 2019 and playing a handful of shows, vocalist Aaron Lewis just recently confirmed that he believes their new album will be out sometime in 2022 — which will be their first new record since 2011's *Staind*.