



▲ **What do you see?** Screenshots from the video for Electrico's National Day song. What do we see? Er, a lot of shadows, Dave looking very pensive... actually, we can't see very much at all.

song, but we've created good debate. Personally, I think the song is catchy. For every grouse we hear, we also hear 20 good things. Maybe people find it difficult to stomach because it's different, and some people are not so receptive to change.

**DESMOND GOH:** Before us, the

theme songs were very contemporary pop. People got used to that. We've toned down on our usual soft-rock style to reach out to more people.

**What do you think of 'Things So Singapore'? It's making the rounds on YouTube, and some say it should be the official National Day song instead.**

**DAVE:** It's a really good song, because it pokes fun at Singaporeans and doesn't take itself too seriously. We should have more songs like this. But I think it's too quirky to have as the official theme. It would be great to include it in the NDP, though.

**WILLIAM LIM JR:** I've heard people talking about how they can relate to the song, which mentions using tissue to choke seats and mad queuing. But these are the ugly Singaporean habits which people want to get rid off. And yet they are promoting them with this song.

**Any jitters about performing at the NDP? Is this your first time?**

**DESMOND:** Two years ago, Electrico performed at the pre-parade to warm up the crowd. In secondary school, I was in the flash card contingent. We had this giant book of pages to hold up, which made up a big picture.

**WILLIAM:** I was in the SAF marching

band, and we played the song that the soldiers had to march to.

**DAVE:** My mum directed the TV broadcast of the show in the '80s. She then became assistant VP at ChannelNewsAsia, and is now retired. Back then, she would bring me into the satellite van. I've been to a lot of parades, so to be on stage this year will be quite something.

**Your keyboardist Amanda Ling announced her departure from the group while you guys were recording 'What Do You See?'. Was the song affected?**

**DAVE:** No, we did perfectly fine, as she was already not very involved in the group.

**WILLIAM:** I played the keyboards and backing guitars on this track.

**To replace her, who would you pick as your next hot female keyboardist?**

**DAVE:** I would love to have Megan Fox come play triangle for us. *(Laughs)* I'd even write a song played entirely with the triangle for her. Actually, we're happy to be back to our original three-piece band.

Electrico will perform 'What Do You See?' at the National Day Parade, August 9. The live telecast starts 6.15pm on Channels 5, 8, U and Suria, okto and Vasantham.