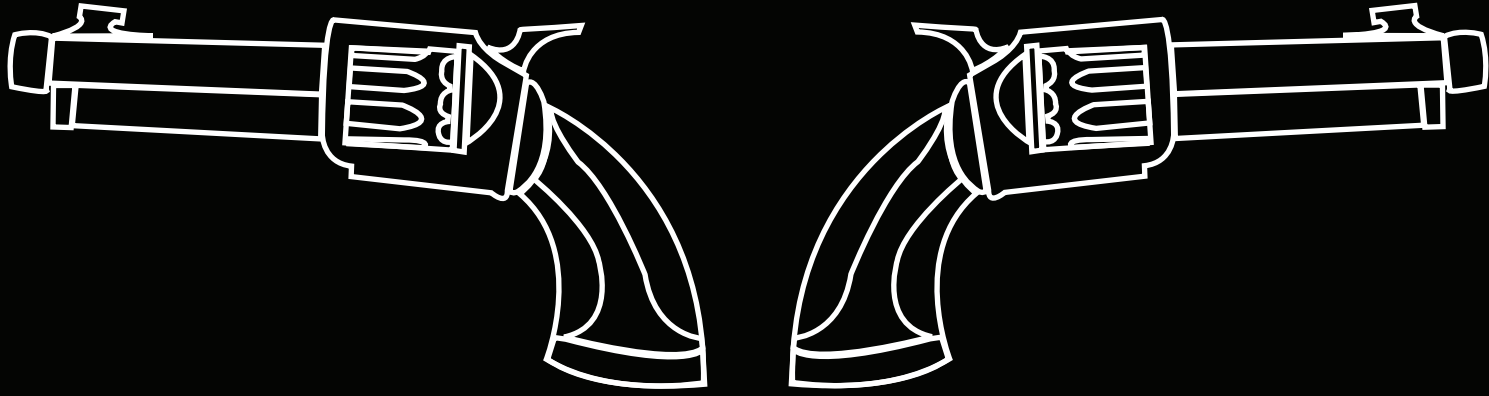


GUNS N' ROSES



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So many events took place in the 1990's. East and West Germany reunited in 1990, the first text message was sent in 1992, and the famous television sitcom Friends aired on tv for the first time in 1994. The list doesn't stop there, the 90's was also the time period for emerging rock bands such as AC/DC, Journey, Nirvana, KISS, Guns N' Roses etc. Up to this day, legendary rock bands are still heard on the radio and touring the world.

Guns N' Roses is a rock band that formed in 1985 in Los Angeles California. The group first started off with Axl Rose as lead vocalist, Tracii Guns and Izzy Stradlin as the guitarists, Ole Beich who is the bass guitarist, and Rob Gardner as the drummer. Now, Axl Rose is still the lead vocalist, Slash and Richard Fortus are the guitarists, Duff McKagan as the bass guitarist, Frank Ferrer as the drummer, Dizzy Reed as a pianist, and Melissa Reese as the synthesizer. In 1996, the band officially split up. Some sources say that it was due to Slash playing for Michael Jackson. The years leading up to the breakup, some members had drug problems and some even distanced themselves from the group by going to the shows later than expected.

I used Bodoni MT for the Guns N' Roses text to try and match the font of the original. When I researched posters for this band, there were two fonts that I was debating between. The first one was a bit more grungy and the second one was the one I went with. I chose to go with the second one because I was going to make the year I was assigned, the edgy font. This leads me to my second font, New Fester. I really liked this font because it screamed rock bands and the 90's. The rounded edges mixed with pointy edges is what makes it rockband looking. Lastly, I used Wmflower, a decorative font for the roses. I tried using the pen tool to make a rose but it just wasn't working out the way I wanted so I went with plan B. I chose to do my decade project on Guns N' Roses because they were one of the bands my dad played in the car. When Sweet Child O' Mine would play, we would turn up the music and have a mini jam session in the car. We would pretend to play the instruments in the beginning of the song and sing along. Zero shame in admitting that! After all, who doesn't go crazy when they hear that iconic intro? Not only does this song bring some good old memories, this song sparked my interest in the guitar. Everytime the song would play, I used to tell my parents that I was one day gonna learn how to play that song. When I was eleven, I took guitar lessons to learn how to play the acoustic not the electric guitar. I did the lessons until I was twelve and then began to teach myself how to play along to popular songs. Last Christmas, I got an electric guitar and a mini amp and I'm yet to teach myself how to play Sweet Child O' Mine!

The research part of project went really well. There were many sources that I could choose from and use to double check my facts. I learnt quite a lot while doing this project. For example, I never knew how many times the band changed their members and the reason behind each one, I always thought Slash was part of the group since the start, and I didn't know that Michael Jackson played a role in the band's breakup.