

Watch Nicky Romero create a track live on Dutch radio station Radio 538

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Everyone know that **Nicky Romero** is one of the most skilled producer's around having made hits such as Novell and Harmony and generally dominating the festival sound over the past number of years. He recently took the time to let us delve a bit into his production process as he sat down with Radio 538 from the Netherlands and for those who are just starting to learn how to produce music, this is well worth the watch.

The Dutch producer shows us the bare bones of a work in progress track, containing a guitar, bass and piano sound. According to Nicky, the theory website [HookTheory](#) is a great way to learn the ropes of music theory, and will go further than just explaining chords, but also explaining what works in music too. Romero goes on to show us a few of his plug-ins, such as the KICK and Kickstart plugins, used for creating kick-drums and for side-chaining purposes which are explained in the tutorial. Progressing in the track, Nicky shows us a short, fairly basic build and drop section, which show off the raw elements of the track, which are probably the most important elements- the music, main sounds and drums.



Surprisingly, we're also given a sneak peak into an upcoming collaboration with Dutch singer **Jeroen van Koningsbrugge**, which sees Romero trying a totally different, more acoustic and rock orientated track equipped with guitar, cajon and piano. Nicky tell's us it's very important to play music "from the heart", rather than focusing too much on techniques, because it's so much more important to play music that's meaningful than music which is technical. Furthermore, we're also explained the differences between the types of DAWs (Digital Audio Workstations) used by producers, such as **Martin Garrix** using FL Studio, while Romero prefers to use Logic X.

You can watch the 20 minute video below:



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