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British-based selector, Hannah Faith adores touching the hearts of others through her insanely crafted soulful music mixes. Influenced by iconic figures like Gill Scott and Solange Knowles, the self-professed "artist and love child" was the first London DJ to represent LA-based label Soulection, and with more than one million plays and counting on Soundcloud it's safe to say her star is firmly on the rise. After gaining attention for her first release, titled BLOWN, Hannah recently opened for Kendrick Lamar and completed her first tour in Asia. Back home in England she regularly plays around East London. "When I make a mix, it's all about the feel. Music puts me in a zone where I feel happiest," she explains, "I have two different moods when it comes to my sound. The majority I upload online are toned down and chilled whereas when I'm playing out I like to switch it up. The energy levels have to be high, super fun and bouncy." In addition to her music Hannah also dabbles in photography, boasting 38K + followers on her beautifully curated Insta-

gram feed alone. "Music might be my first love, but I've always admired the beauty of the earth and capturing it through my lens. It wasn't until I met one of my best friends Christina (@byafrique) that I really took photography to the next level. We just thrived off each other's energy and became comfortable with our craft." In the year ahead Hannah plans to focus more on collaborative creative agency, *Inbloom*, which she runs alongside seven other "great like-minded women," Christina included. "My goal is to continue working on various projects and generally keep a balanced lifestyle," she says.

Press play on Hannah's tracks at www.Soundcloud.com/ hannahfai or follow her on Instagram @hannahfaith__





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because of it," says petite, fresh-faced Aussie Emma Carey, otherwise known as the the girl who fell from the sky. On June 9, 2013 a skydiving accident in Switzerland would drastically change the course of her life. As she fell, Emma's parachute and emergency chute became entangled. The landing left her spine broken in two places, her pelvis shattered and spinal cord crushed. Diagnosed as a paraplegic and unlikely to walk again, miraculously just three years later Emma is running, swimming and traveling the world to the amazement of many. "I was convinced my life was ruined and genuinely didn't want to live anymore," she says. "But a few weeks later, something just clicked in me. When something bad happens and there is nothing you can do to erase it, I believe you only have two choices: 1) Dwell on the pain forever and accept an unhappy life, or 2) Learn and grow from the pain and never ever settle for a life less than what you dream."

Her best friend since early childhood, Jemma Mrdak was by her side during the long hospital stay and endless physiotherapy that followed accompanying her and her family. Two small matching diamond tattoos (because diamonds are unbreakable and forever) offer a small, yet poignant reminder of their shared journey. "Jemma was the first person to find me after the accident and so a few months after I got out of hospital we decided to get matching tattoos as a symbol of our everlasting friendship, the diamond seemed like a perfect representation of that." Now living on the Gold Coast, Emma's days are filled with beach visits, drawing and packaging her sought after graphic art prints, writing for her blog and keeping her 60K Instagram followers apprised of her latest adventures, including spinal rehab, recent travels and playing with her baby niece.

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rom photographing Dalai Lama's the 80th Birthday Dharamsala, India and community work in Nepal to belly dancing under the stars in the Sahara, Renae Saxby's second career calling as a photographer, writer and gypset traveler regularly takes her around the world. "I have met the most amazing people, had the most incredibly unique experiences and can't tell you how many times I've had to pinch myself and ask: how did I ever become so fortunate?" Blessed with a good life and a successful spa business back in her native Australia, Renae has consistently craved adventure and excitement. "I always knew photography was my passion but failing at what you love can be a scary prospect. For people to follow their true desires is a massive step, thankfully I'm on track now." Since taking that leap of faith she now averages six months a year overseas on assignment and six back in Australia. Renae's most recent projects followed her journey through Morocco, Turkey, Spain, Portugal and Isla Mujeres, Mexico. Since attending Burning Man in September she's not sure where her bags will be unpacked next. "Travel offers so many unique and inspiring cultural experiences, the more I explore the more curious I become. Connecting with people all over the world puts a massive smile on my dial: I want to share these experiences with others who can't afford foreign travel or didn't inherit the gypsy gene I seem to have embedded in me," she concludes.

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