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## Sabrina Carpenter: My new album is not for pearl clutchers

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Sabrina Carpenter's new album is "not for any pearl clutchers".

The 26-year-old pop star has defended her approach to songwriting, insisting that "even pearl clutchers" can listen to Man's Best Friend and "find something that makes them smirk and chuckle".

During an appearance on CBS Mornings, Sabrina explains: "The album is not for any pearl clutchers.

"No, but I, I also think that even pearl clutchers can listen to an album like that in their own solitude and find something that makes them smirk and chuckle to themselves..."

Sabrina acknowledges that her lyrics can be "bold". However, she also insists that her music is "just fun".

She said: "I think that's the thing, is sometimes people hear the lyrics that are really bold or they go, 'I don't want to sing this in front of other people.' It's like it's almost too it, it, it's TMI [too much information]."

But I think

about being at a concert with, you know, however many young women I see in the front row that are screaming at the top of their lungs with their best friends. And you can go like, 'Oh, we can all, like, sigh of relief like, 'This is just fun.' And, and that's all it has to be."

Sabrina released her last album, Short n' Sweet, in 2024, and she previously described the record as "a more emphasized version" of her real-life self.

The blonde beauty told Vogue magazine: "Short n' Sweet is absolutely me.

There's no, like, alter ego. But it's definitely a more emphasized version of me.



"It's interesting because

## Ariel Winter reveals she's 'open' to Modern Family revival

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Ariel Winter is "open" to the idea of a Modern Family reunion.

The 27-year-old actress played Alex Dunphy in the ABC sitcom between 2009 and 2020, and Ariel has revealed that she's now open to the possibility of reviving the role.

She told E! News: "I'd definitely be open to it. But that's not up to me. That's up to the powers that be. If they want to hit me up, they can hit me up."

Ariel also revealed what she hopes to see from Alex if she does return.

The actress shared: "Alex had so many different interests. They were all extremely educational, smart and amazing interests. But I would hope that she has expanded her life in so many ways that

I know she could have.

"I hope now that she's found herself totally in the way that she would want to, and put some effort into finding her heart and what she loves personally, because she's already achieved so much professionally."

Despite this, Ariel has enjoyed the challenge of starring in her new movie Pools, as it's so different from anything she's previously done.

The film tells the story of Kennedy, whose life falls apart following the unexpected death of her dad.

She said: "I was just looking to do something new and different and play a completely different character from what I had been doing. This was really that. It got sent to me and I was like, 'Alright, I think if this is done right, this could be really, really fun.'"

Meanwhile, Ariel previously admitted that she found it "hard

to say goodbye to Modern Family.

The actress explained that the show's cast - which included Julie Bowen, Sarah Hyland and Sofia Vergara - "were like a real family".

She told People: "It was hard.

"We were like a real family. It was weird knowing it would just be over, and I wouldn't get to see everybody all the time anymore. It was like, wait, yeah, wait, we're not going to be together on Monday? So on the one hand, I didn't want it to end, but at the same time, I was ready to start something new as an adult."

Ariel Winter



## Sophie Turner fears for child stars due to social media pressures

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Sophie Turner fears for young stars due to the toxicity of social media.

The 29-year-old actress was just 13 when she was cast in the HBO fantasy series Game of Thrones and admits that she is concerned about performers who are thrust into the spotlight at an early age because of the cruel nature of the online sites.

Sophie told Flaunt magazine: "I look at the kids who

are about to be in the new Harry Potter and I just want to give them a hug and say, 'Look, it's going to be okay but don't go anywhere near (social media).'

"Stay friends with your home friends, keep living at home with your family, make sure your parents are your chaperones - it's so important to have that grounding adjacent to the big, crazy stuff that you do."

Sophie recalled how her confidence dropped as social media became increasingly prominent after Game of Thrones started airing in 2011.

She said: "I think social media was just really becoming a big thing after I started on Game of Thrones, so I got a couple of years of peace and quiet and then I had to adjust. It had such a profound impact on my mental health, like more than I could tell you.

"It almost destroyed me on numerous

occasions."

Sophie even stated that she will refuse to allow her own children - daughters Willa, five, and Delphine, three, from her marriage to former husband Joe Jonas - to act until they have grown up.

The Trust star said: "Oh God, they're not acting! Not until they're at least 25!"

Turner appears alongside Game of Thrones co-star Kit Harington in her upcoming movie The Dreadful and is determined to work on projects that generate discussion.

She explained: "I do like to make things that people can walk away from and they feel able to change something about themselves or feel inspired to do something.



Zoe Kravitz

## Zoe Kravitz not returned to Taylor Swift's home since snake incident

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Zoe Kravitz hasn't been back to Taylor Swift's house since she destroyed her bathroom.

The Caught Stealing actress revealed last week that she and her mom Lisa Bonet stayed at her friend's home during the Los Angeles wildfires, only to cause chaos when the 59-year-old model's pet snake got stuck in a "little hole" and she admitted she's not returned to the property since, though she

insisted she hasn't been banned by the Karma hitmaker.

Asked if she's been back to Taylor's house since the incident with the snake, she laughed to E! News: "Have I? No. But not because I wasn't invited. Just because I haven't been in LA."

Her Caught Stealing co-star Austin Butler then added: "Yeah, that's important to clarify."

Zoe quipped: "No, I'm not allowed there anymore."

The 36-year-old actress told last

week how her mom's snake Orpheus had caused a major problem in Taylor's house.

Appearing on Late Night with Seth Meyers, Zoe said: "I'm going around cleaning up. I'm downstairs and she's upstairs and my phone rings and it was my mom. I'm like, 'That's weird, we're in the same house.'"

"She goes 'Hi' and I'm like, 'Your voice is super high'. And she goes, 'I'm in a bit of a pickle. Can you come upstairs?'

"I go upstairs, the bathroom door is closed, so I open [it] and she's crouched in the corner in this weird way. She says, 'So I was washing my face and I had Orpheus, and I just put her down for a second, closed the door, and she found this little hole in the corner.'"

"There was a little hole, that you wouldn't even know was there, right in the corner of the bathroom. The hole is next to a banquette that is built into the wall,"

"My mom is holding the snake's tail. Snake's tail, they're all muscle and very, very strong. I'm like 'Maybe this hole goes into the drawers [underneath]'. I get down on the ground, take the drawers out, no."

Zoe began "freaking out" as the snake got further and further into the hole and called for help from the house manager, who began "tearing apart" the banquette.

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How to play

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Down

1- Individuals; 2- Rope fiber; 3- Pinot \_\_\_ (wine); 4- Punctual; 5- Chef's measure; 6- Nav. rank; 7- Prefix with profit or fiction; 8- Put into office; 9- Fortuneteller's deck; 10- Mambo king Puente; 11- School founded by Henry VI; 12- Stocking shade; 13- Ammo; 21- Xenon, e.g.; 23- Gives up; 25- Extra-wide shoe size; 26- Medicine measures; 27- Papal garment; 28- Soup server; 29- Rx writers; 31- Pitcher's stat; 32- Logrolling contest; 33- French farewell; 34- Ages between 13 and 19; 39- Susan of "L.A. Law"; 40- Put into law; 41- Golfer Woosnam; 42- Pants; 44- Boardroom bigwig; 48- Numbered hwy.; 49- Untidy states; 51- Killer whales; 52- Chili con \_\_\_; 54- Cong. meeting; 55- Answer to a charge; 56- Bring in; 57- Decker out; 59- Car; 60- Take \_\_\_ your leader; 61- Middle of QED; 64- Former nuclear agcy.; 65- Rat-a- --;