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## ASSIGNMENTS

#### T.J. Smith

*President, General Manager* Eastern Acoustic Works

Eastern Acoustic Works (EAW) has appointed T.J. Smith as President and General Manager. Prior to EAW, Smith held a variety of leadership roles with the Harman organization. His most recent assignments include four years as general manager of the company's operation in Shenzhen, China and management of

the signal processing brands based in Salt Lake City, UT. The addition of Smith to the organization, combined with the retirement of Kenton Forsythe, has facilitated the transition of Jeff Rocha into the role of EVP of strategy and business development. For additional information, contact juliemcleanclark@gmail.com.

#### **Adam Sheppard**

*Regional Sales, Marketing Manager* ADAM Audio

ADAM Audio has appointed Adam Sheppard to Regional Sales and Marketing Manager for the South and Central Regions of the U.S. Sheppard will handle sales as well as managing the marketing efforts for the U.S. Headquarters. Before joining ADAM Audio, Sheppard worked on the gear side of the

music and audio industry, managing high profile accounts as well as working in retail, selling musical instruments and pro audio gear. He has also worked for Seale Keyworks, a Nashville-based keyboard company, handling sales and logistics for high profile clients including TV shows, award shows and touring bands. Contact margaret@msmediainc.com.

#### Mike Gowen

*Publicist* Mitch Schneider Organization

#### Mitch Schneider Organization has

promoted **Mike Gowen** to Publicist. Gowen began at MSO in 2012 as a part-time assistant before advancing to Executive Assistant to President Mitch Schneider, which was followed by his transition to Associate Publicist in 2014. Over the years, Gowen has been involved

in the media campaigns for artists including BabyMetal, Black Sabbath, Billy Idol, Dave Stewart, Dream Theater, John Fogerty, The Smashing Pumpkins, Wynonna & The Big Noise and others. Prior to MSO, he was an assistant to Grammy-winning jazz legend Stanley Clarke. For more information, contact mgowen@msopr.com.

#### Jessica Sullivan

*National Sales Manager* Guitar Center Professional

Guitar Center Professional (GC Pro) has appointed Jessica R. Sullivan to National Sales Manager. Sullivan will be responsible for the overall management of the GC Pro Account Managers, developing/growing their overall sales figures through effective management of their clients' needs. She will also form a

working partnership with the Retail Store Managers, District Managers and Regional Vice Presidents to ensure the success of each Account Manager. Sullivan is a veteran in sales and marketing and the M.I./pro audio market sectors, having spent 14 years working with numerous manufacturers. For more information, contact pr@clynemedia.com.



*Head of Admissions* Recording, Radio and Film Connection

#### Recording, Radio and Film Connection (RRF) has appointed Mark Allen to

Head of Admissions. Allen will be responsible for connecting recording, film and radio industry veteran mentors with prospective student-apprentices in their geographical vicinity, and overseeing the process of students enrolling in RRF's



process of students enrolling in RRF's programs. Allen boasts over 20 years of experience in sales, marketing, telemarketing, commercial printing and radio and TV advertising. He has served as Sales Manager for multimedia group SMP, Inc. Additionally, Allen has over 30 years of experience in music composition, recording and live performance. For more information, contact brian@rrfedu.com.

#### Tim Schaeffer

SVP, Allen & Health USA American Music & Sound

American Music & Sound has appointed Tim Schaeffer as Senior Vice President for Allen & Heath USA, a company that has designed and manufactured professional audio mixing consoles for an international clientele in the live sound, installed systems and nightclub markets. Schaeffer, who has over 30 years of



pro audio sales and marketing experience, will manage Allen & Heath USA to build and develop its sales and support teams and to promote sales growth and customer satisfaction. For additional information on this appointment, contact Maryam Larki-Bavi at maryam.larki-bavi@ americanmusicandsound.com.

#### Albert Margolis

VP, Sales and Marketing Lynx Studio Technology

Lynx Studio Technology has named Albert Margolis as Vice President of Sales and Marketing. With over 20 years of experience in pro audio, publication and online merchandising markets, Margolis brings knowledge and a track record to Lynx. Prior to joining Lynx, Margolis was Director of Sales for UltimateGuitar.com,

handling digital advertising and sponsorship, strategic marketing and retail integration. He has also managed advertising sales for many of the top magazines including Mix, Guitar Player, Electronic Musician, the TEC Awards and others. For additional information on this appointment, contact Margolis directly at albert@lynxstudio.com.

#### Mark Brown SVP, A&R Nashville

Round Hill Music

Round Hill Music, the boutique-sized music publisher that has built an extensive catalog of recorded and performed music and offers high-touch administration and creative services to its songwriters, has promoted Mark Brown of the A&R team in Nashville. Formerly Vice President, Brown has been upped to Senior Vice President,

with an expanding role in asset acquisition, management and exploitation of newly acquired catalogs and general management of Round Hill Nashville operations. For additional information on this appointment, contact Anna Stodart at anna@golightlymedia.com.









#### DIGITECH TRIO+ BAND CREATOR PLUS LOOPER PEDAL

**The TRIO+ Band Creator Pedal, like the original**, listens to what is played into its Input jack and automatically generates bass and drum accompaniments appropriate to the "played in" rhythmic feel and chord progression. The TRIO+ has a built-in synced looper, a removable SD Memory Card in an expansion card slot (for storing recorded loops, song info and users preferences) and an FX loop that works with any pedal.

Simply plug a guitar into the TRIO+ and select any of 12 genres including: Rock, Pop, Country, Folk, Metal, Blues, R&B, Hip Hop, Latin and Jazz. Then press the Band footswitch to "teach" the TRIO+ the chords and rhythm feel. TRIO+ is a fast learner and pressing the footswitch again you'll hear and then can play along with a freshly minted bass guitar part and drum beat.

There are green LEDs surrounding the Style knob to indicate the useable styles to fit your particular playing and the genre—but that didn't stop us from checking out contrasting Styles and getting some pretty quirky music going.

The TRIO+ can learn up to five different song parts—separate chord progressions and rhythms suitable for verses, choruses or bridges. After TRIO+ has learned your music, you can speed it up/down to twice or half as fast as the original learned tempo making the TRIO+ an obvious teaching tool.

Complete with world-ready power supply, the DigiTech TRIO+ Band Creator Plus Looper Pedal sells for \$299.99 MSRP and makes an excellent tool for songwriting, practice or casual gigs.

digitech.com/en-US/products/trio-plus



#### YAMAHA BLUETOOTH MIDI ADAPTERS

The MD-BT01 and UD-BT01 connect synthesizers, keyboards and electronic drum kits to Mac computers and iOS devices. They send and receive MIDI data over Bluetooth LE and do not require batteries. The UD-BT01 is for USB-to-host computer MIDI connectivity and the MD-BT01 (shown) is designed for instruments with traditional 5-pin DIN jack MIDI in/out ports.

Essentially these are both plug-and-play systems for on-the-spot setups to get MIDI data back and forth instantly from instruments to computers or other instruments. Both the Yamaha UD-BT01 and MD-BT01 sell for \$79.99 each.

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#### ULTIMATE EARS PRO REFERENCE REMASTERED IN-EARS

**Ultimate Ears Pro's latest custom, in-ear monitors are** the UE Pro Reference Remastered. These are UE's second-generation monitors developed in collaboration with the engineers at Capitol Studios in Hollywood, CA. Designed to reproduce the best possible sound from any audio source from your smart phone to on-stage monitoring system to recording studios to hi-resolution audio downloads, the UE Pro Reference Remastered monitors use three, True Tone Drivers to produce an extended frequency response up to 18kHz.

These are wearable reference monitors that are portable and enable precise comparison between what I mix in the studio and all other music sources I might encounter—be it on my iPhone or at other studios. The UE Pro Reference Remastered provide up to 26dB of external noise reduction due to their excellent custom fit made possible by UE's 3D laser-scanning device that measures each ear and generates 3D file data for a 3D printer to "print" the molds.

I found the fit to be better and more comfortable than any of my in-ear monitors and these new UE's are voiced differently than my original Capitol models, the UE Reference Monitors. These new UEs have a little less mid range 'push' and better sub octave reproduction. They seem slightly less bright making playing them louder less fatiguing for inspecting microscopic sonic details in mixing.

Now my new favorites, the UE Pro Reference Remastered offer monitoring portability with great sound isolation and the ability to work with any audio interface. They come in a round metal carrying case and with a cable; an in-line microphone for cell phone use is also available.

The Ultimate Ears Pro Reference Remastered in-ears sell for \$999 MSRP and the scan is free.

pro.ultimateears.com



#### ▼ PSP AUDIOWARE PSP 2445 REVERB PLUG-IN

The PSP 2445 contains emulations for both the original EMT 244 digital reverberator and the EMT 245 unit. The EMT 245 updated the 244 with controls for pre-delay and the level of early reflections. Both these four-rack space units used 13-bit A/D/D/A technology and could provide reverb times (RT60) from 0.4 to 4.5-seconds. PSP added updates, parameters and controls not offered on the original units plus the ability to use either the 244 or 245 engines separately or run both simultaneously for super rich and fat-sounding reverbs.



Retaining the look of the EMT 245, the photo-realistic front panel GUI of the PSP 2445 has: Input and Output Gain controls; Wet/Dry; a switch for either the 244 or 245 only, or a blend; a large red Time control knob for any RT60 time from 0.2 to 5.0 seconds; Pre-delay from 0ms to 84ms with no song tempo locking just like old school; Reflections sets the amount of Early Reflections; and there are separate toggle switches for a low and high frequency EQ choices.

Definitely a great tool in my mixing, I'm finding the PSP 2445 awesome for short and tight ambient effects and/or tonal colorations for vocals or instruments. Its simple operation and classic and vintage digital sound are winners.

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#### OTHER WORLD COMPUTING 2.0TB MERCURY ELECTRA MAX 6G SSD

**Other World Computing** has a new 2.0TB entry in its line of solid-state-drives called the Mercury Electra 6G MAX. While the Mercury Electra 6G line is great for use internally or in an external enclosure, the new 2.0TB Electra 6G MAX is qualified for internal use only.

Last year I replaced my system drive with a Mercury Electra 3G SSD, 960GB and was quite happy with "breathing" new life and speed into my Pro Tools computer. For both faster operating speed and more storage, I wanted to replace my internal 1TB audio hard drive as well. The 2TB Mercury Electra MAX 6G 2.5-inch SSD I received for review is capable of real world speeds of 490/471 MB/sec read/write speeds.

After formatting, I copied over to the Mercury Electra MAX about 510GB from my existing 7200-RPM audio drive and launched a Pro Tools session. It had already used 100 voices and put another 156 tracks (voices) in record for a total of 256. The System Usage window in Pro Tools showed Disk usage (read/write activity) at 17%. The same session configuration on my old drive showed 44%—more than twice plus there were occasional CPU spikes to 100%. Now with the OWC Mercury Electra 6G for audio and Mercury Electra 3G system drives, I find large Pro Tools sessions load

faster, and run much smoother with less hiccups that I've come to expect using my old hard drives.

As tested, the OWC 2.0TB Mercury Electra MAX 6G 2.5 Serial-ATA 7mm Solid State drive sells for \$697.99. eshop.macsales.com/item/OWC/SSD7E6G02T



#### ◄ IZOTOPE RX 5 PLUG-IN PACK

**The iZotope RX 5** Plug-in Pack's four audio repair plug-ins are for cleaning up and, at the extreme, rescuing corrupted audio recordings. Ported from iZotope's RX 5 Audio Editor, the four VST/AU/AAX/RTAS audio plug-ins are: De-click, De-hum, De-clip, and Dialogue De-noise. They work within your preferred audio or video editing software as real-time processors or as clipbased processes.

The plug-ins can be used to remove clicks, crackles, hum, fix distortion caused by over loading (clipping) and remove unwanted wideband noise from audio. I tested all four plug-ins as AAX processors in Pro Tools 12 HDX and found many uses within my music mixes. Beyond noise reduction, I discovered some happy accidents that were useful in my mix.

Dialogue De-noise has 64 "psycho-acoustically spaced band pass filters" that analyze the incoming dialog audio and automatically adjust for changes in the noise floor. De-clip automatically repairs "overs" that can happen in live recordings or in the studio with unexpected level jumps while recording. De-clip will fix clipping whether it came from analog tape or an overloaded A/D converter. The De-click processor worked transparently to remove short pops and ticks that happen in digital recordings. Lastly, De-hum will remove low frequency hum (usually 50 or 60 Hz) and up to seven harmonics above it.

An awesome collection to have at the ready when mixing, the RX Plug-in Pack is \$129 MSRP. *izotope.com/rxpluginpack* 

#### ► IK MULTIMEDIA IRIG 2

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iRig 2's added switching allows dual-mode operation. FX lets musicians send a processed signal to their amplifier from apps like AmpliTube. THRU sends a clean signal, letting musicians use their mobile device as a tuner, recorder or other utility while maintaining a 100% analog signal path to their amp.

iRig 2 has a built-in universal 1/8-inch TRRS output connector that works on iPhone, iPod Touch, Mac and Android. It comes with a powerful cross-platform suite of apps and software that includes free versions of AmpliTube for iOS, Android and Mac/PC.

iRig 2 sells for \$39.99 MSRP.

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#### ► TECH 21 BASS FLY RIG

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By Coreen Sheehan, Anika Paris, Bobby Borg, Michael Eames, Eric Corne (softcover) \$29.99

Pooling over 100 years of experience, this team of authors-including frequent MC contributor Bobby Borg-comes to the aid of indie artists by delivering cost-saving alternatives to hiring lawyers, consultants or personal coaches. The book focuses on five skills every artist needs:



(1) improving vocal production and technique; (2) writing catchy and marketable songs; (3) recording your own EP; (4) maneuvering the publishing world; and (5) promoting your own music effectively.

#### Make Your Own Music: A **Creative Curriculum Using Music** Technology By Richard McCready

(softcover) \$24.99

Written by an acclaimed educator, this book is a complete classroom curriculum for both learning and teaching music technology. Containing lessons and projects for using the PreSonus Music



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#### somethingtofoodabout By Questlove (hardcover) **\$30.00**

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#### Hell Camp By Niki Smart

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In this memoir, subtitled How to Chew on a Crazy Childhood and Avoid Choking, magazine editor and singer/songwriter Niki Smart recounts her often tempestuous upbringing, including an insane continent-hopping child-



hood with an unstable mother, growing up in South Africa during the "Kill a White Man" era and her dreams of moving to America to become a pop star. Smart writes vividly about her struggles as an artist, associations with big name bands and her ultimate arrival at personal catharsis.

#### With My Eyes Wide Open: Miracles and Mistakes on My Way Back to Korn

By Brian "Head" Welch with Carol Traver (hardcover) \$24.99

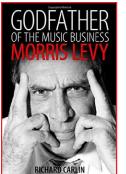
In this follow-up to the guitarist's 2007 Save Me From Myself (which dwelled on the spiritual rebirth and addictions that led to his 2005 exit



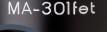
from Korn), Welch recounts the difficult years he spent being a single father after he left Korn, leading up to his decision to rejoin the band. Includes photos from Welch's personal collection, and depicts his relationship with his depressed teen, his journey playing solo and enduring nearbankruptcy.

#### Godfather of the Music Business: Morris Levv By Richard Carlin (hardcover) \$35.00

Carlin chronicles how the infamous Levy brought his early experience in the mobsterowned nightclub business (Birdland) to his own label, Roulette Records, in the '50s and beyond, until his arrest and conviction in 1988. Levy's



tactics exploiting artists ranging from Dizzy Gillespie to Joey Dee and the Starliters to Tommy James (whose autobiography is a must-read companion to this book) are well documented by Carlin, who paints a colorful picture of American music from the '40s through the '80s.

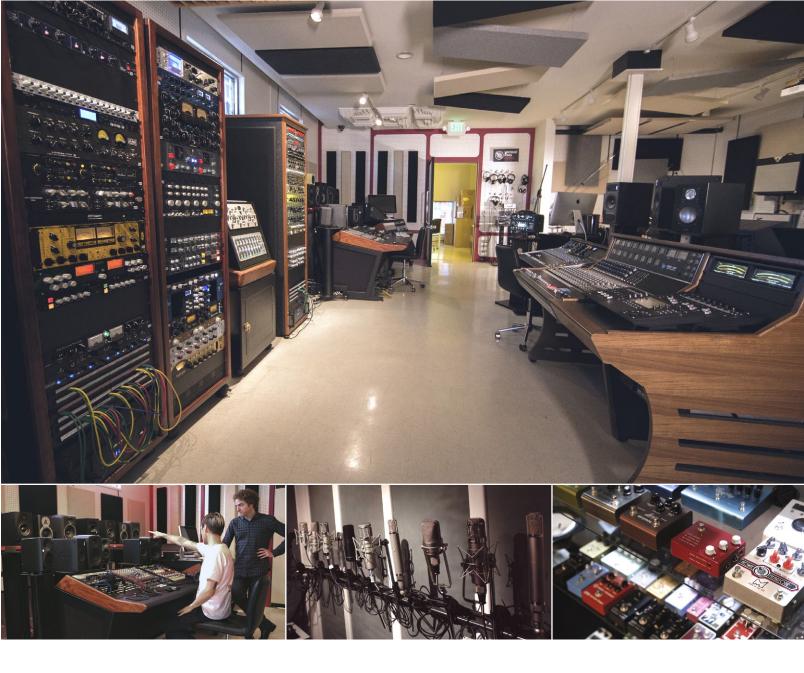




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(Dream Theater, Rush, Aerosmith, Skillet)





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#### **GIGTOWN** gigtown.com

Putting Local Music in the Palm of Your Hand: Launched in January 2015, San Diego-based GigTown is a one-of-a-kind interactive free mobile app that connects local musicians, venues and fans in a multitude of dynamic ways. Conceived as an "Uber for Music," it has evolved to incorporate band and fan-centric features similar to those popularized by Yelp and Pandora. Users (fans or venues) are able to discover local artists' original songs via GigTown Radio, see where they're playing next and even book them for gigs. According to "Grand Poobah" Andy Altman, "We're creating a true win-win-win between artists, venues and fans, with the firm belief that we can change the music industry for the better by doing so." To sign up, artists simply create a profile and provide a photo, a



link to a YouTube video and link to a song file at GigTown.com. They can then list their public shows on the app, plus get booked and paid.

The \$5 Per Gig Tip: Altman says, "We really are pro artist and we're putting our money where our mouth is." To that end, whenever someone "checks in" at a show on the GigTown app, GigTown tips the artist \$5. "We love spending our marketing budget this way," he says. "Recently, a band had 140 check-ins in one week, and that netted them \$700. We're paying \$10,000-plus in tips each month." Fans who check in also gain access to a participating band's songs and show calendar and can book them for private gigs.

**Growing Influence and The ASCAP Expo:** One of Altman's favorite elements of GigTown is comparing the music scenes in all the different cities where the app—whose nationwide membership of over 3,000 and growing—is popular. San Diego is dominated by that city's singer/song-writer scene. Austin's 400 artists are diverse but include many alternative psychedelic rockers, while Seattle remains clearly influenced by the grunge era. Testament to GigTown's growing impact is the fact that artists have made over \$300,000 through the app in paid gigs, along with recent involvement with the ASCAP Expo, Austin Music Foundation and the KAABOO Music Festival.

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## **STUDIO MIX**



#### LVC Expands with Audient

Lebanon Valley College in Annville, PA installed a new Audient ASP4816 in its Studio B to provide continuity with the ASP8024 in Studio A. The two consoles are configured to meet the needs of each space while providing students with the continuity to easily move from learning in a classroom setting to working on projects in the studio. Students in the Audio & Music Production Program study studio recording, mastering, electronic music, audio for digital media, live sound, game audio and more. For more information, visit bit.ly/audientLVC.



#### ▲ Mojave Audio Donates to the Path of Recovery

Beit T'Shuvah is a nonprofit treatment center and education institution dedicated to guiding individuals toward a path of recovery from addiction. The center's Creative Arts program incorporates a full-fledged recording studio where students can record original songs, often born out of the songwriting group. To help foster increased productivity, Mojave Audio has donated an MA-301fet condenser microphone. Pictured (I-r): (front) Dusty Wakeman, James Fuchs, Glenn Goss and Aaron Delug; (back) Colin Liebich of BAE Audio. For more information, visit beittshuvah.org.



#### Death Cab Choose TELEFUNKEN

Indie rockers Death Cab For Cutie have embraced TELEFUNKEN microphones for both their recordings and worldwide touring. Death Cab drummer Jason McGerr uses a pair of M60 FET's as overheads, M80-SH on snare, M81-SH on toms, with an M82 on the kick. In studio he has the same setup, but uses an AR-70 as overhead instead of the M60's. Pictured (I-r): McGerr and FOH engineer Will Markwell. For more information, visit telefunken-elektroakustik.com.

#### **More Studio News**

Recording engineer Ellis Sorkin joined Dave Pensado and Herb Trawick on the 253rd episode of *Pensado's Place*. In the episode, Sorkin describes his introduction to the business through an **A&M** studio apprenticeship. He also talks about his company, **Studio Referral Service, Inc.**, where he books studios on a global level for major artists. In addition, he addresses the changing studio environment and how artists gravitate toward the flexible and

accommodating professional studio environment. For the full episode, visit pensadosplace.tv/recordingengineer-ellis-sorkin.

New Jersey prog-metal band **Binary Code** will self-release *Moonsblood* on May 24. The band tracked drums and vocals at **Audiohammer Studios** in Sanford, FL with **Eyal Levi** and **John Douglass**, and they recorded guitars and bass with Levi at guitarist **Jesse Zuretti**'s home studio in Lake Hopatcong, NJ. Visit facebook.com/binarycodemusic.

#### **Producer Playback**

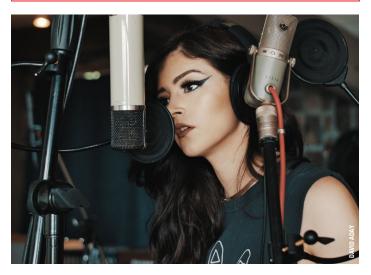
"Develop a knowledge of what's being created in the industry. Have big ears, no matter what your preferences." – PJ Hanke (*Fight Club*, *The Thin Red Line*), Jan. 2014





#### Shadow Puppets United in Studio B

The Last Shadow Puppets worked with engineer Ross Hogarth at United Recording to record the string parts on their new album *Everything You've Come To Expect.* Fronted by Miles Kane and Alex Turner (of Arctic Monkeys), the second album was helmed by producer/band member/drummer James Ford and also tracked at Rick Rubin's Shangri-La Studio in Malibu, CA. Pictured (I-r) in Studio B: Hogarth, Kane, Turner, string arranger/conductor Owen Pallett and Ford. For more information, visit unitedrecordingstudios.com.



#### ▲ ATC Get In Their Bones In Studio

Pop rock band from Poughkeepsie, NY, Against The Current, will release *In Our Bones* on May 20 via Fueled By Ramen. The trio recorded the album at Studio America in Glendale, CA and worked with producer Tommy English. Pictured is vocalist Chrissy Costanza. For more information, visit atcofficial.com.



Recording artist Dru Ross is putting the finishing touches on his debut EP with assistance from Heather MacLennan and Henry "Scribes" Kleaveland on backing vocals. National Record Promotions Larry Weir is the producer for the project being recorded at Studio City Sound. Pictured (I-r): Weir, MacLennan, Kleaveland and Ross.





#### **A** Townshend Tracks at the 45

While on tour, Pete Townshend, co-founder of The Who, recently dropped in at 45 Studio, located 20 miles north of Detroit in Waterford, MI. A longtime Vintage King Audio client, Townshend tracked a new song for an upcoming acoustic project at Ryan McGuire's 45 Factory studio. No digital devices were used in the recording, only analog equipment. Pictured (I-r): Townshend and McGuire. For more information, visit the45factory.com.





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producer/label owner (Imagine Dragons, Rihanna, B.o.B)

#### PRODUCER CROSSTALK

– ROB PUTNAM



Chris Cornell, Dream Theater, Weezer

Producer and engineer Rich Mouser began his career much as Les Paul did: by taking things apart to see how they worked. At 12 years old, his first piece of audio gear was a Sony reel-to-reel tape machine. He discovered that by removing the erase head, he could achieve something much like a multi-track recording. When he later found that friends would pay to be recorded, he realized he'd struck a rich vein. He now works primarily from The Mouse House, his Los Angeles home studio. Past clients include Chris Cornell, Dream Theater and Weezer.

His first taste of success came when he recorded Black Market Flowers' demo after moving to L.A. from Colorado in 1993. It landed the band a deal with Relativity Records. "They went to do an album with [famed producer and musician] Butch Vig in Wisconsin," Mouser recalls. "I thought that was the last I'd hear of them. But I got a call. They'd finished recording with Butch and realized they liked the demo we'd done better. They asked me to mix their album. That helped me advance from just doing demos. After that, I started meeting people and budgets got bigger."

"The hardest thing to record is someone that's not putting out much on their instrument," the producer observes. "You're only recording what somebody is throwing out to the microphone. You get the sound from the source first and then when you put a mic on it, you make sure you capture that. People retrigger and resample drums and they don't put the time and care into making them sound good off the bat. I try to get character in the sound from the beginning. Getting drums to sound good is something that I've always worked hard at."

Mouser regularly records to tape but doesn't use it exclusively. Certainly, though, he nurtures a fondness for

it. "When you erase something, it's lost," he explains. "If somebody says, 'I can sing that line better,' you know that when you hit the erase button, it's gone forever. In Pro Tools, a guy can keep asking for more tracks and soon he's got 15 takes. There's not that worry of having to repeat what you've erased. That's what I like about tape: the urgency. I have so much analog gear in my studio that I try to use that [rather than Pro Tools]."

Much of his work comes by word-of-mouth. He's never advertised and he finds that coaxing a band into using him is a strategy that's never borne fruit. "Feeler calls sometimes work," he says. "But you can't talk anybody into recording with you. When people find you and want you, they'll do it. But I have found clients by overhearing people talking about music. I'd strike up a conversation and mention that I have a studio."

Bands don't always adapt well to the studio. Mouser shares one story. "I did a four-track demo with a band in two days," he recalls. "They got a deal with MCA, and when it was time to cut the record, they wanted me to produce. The working title was *The World's Greatest Album*. Suddenly a band that cut four songs in two days was scared of every little thing. They psyched themselves out. We had to recut vocals and at that point they'd been in the studio long enough they'd given up. Suddenly the singer was back to his old self. He wasn't worried anymore and it worked out great."

Mouser's current and upcoming projects include albums with Farmikos (featuring former Ozzy and David Lee Roth guitarist Joe Holmes), supergroup Flying Colors and prog-rock outfit Spock's Beard.

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#### The three most important things he's learned as a producer and engineer are:

- Put your heart and soul into what you do. Set your own standards and make sure you always hit your own bar.
- Have a good rapport with people. Back in Colorado I had a competitor. He was difficult and I think because of that, I got more work.
- Never be afraid to learn new things. I'm always learning.

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## EXEC PROFILE

#### **Jeff Anthony**

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#### BACKGROUND

People know Iron Mountain for its work storing and shredding documents, but few are aware of its entertainment side. Serving movie and TV studios as well as the recording industry, the company preserves musical works. Additionally, they handle memorabila—photos to costumes, instruments and more, maintaining iconic estates in media history.

#### Preserving Pop Culture

I've been in the information management preservation business my entire life. I started a company in 1984 named dataLOK, and we had entertainment clients, preserving their content. In 1995, we sold part of that business to Iron Mountain and I worked for them to start up their entertainment business. We protect over 28 million analog assets. Any song you've heard or any movie you've seen is preserved in one of our vaults.

#### **Digitizing Every Format Ever**

We've got about nine million audio tapes in our vaults. Some are the size of a Walmart. And these are studio masters, right? These are not CDs. They're not copies. These are intrinsically valuable assets. It's the lifeblood of a label. We have old tape, glass masters, wire recordings, going back to the turn of the century. They're all preserved in large, cold, dry, secure vaults.

As the industry started going digital, we created digital workshops. [We have] people who come out of the engineering business. So as a record label needs to pull out an old tape, rather than put it in a FedEx pack or put it onto an airplane, which can jeopardize that asset, we take it from the vaults and put it into our digital studio environment. We're able to digitize, separate out the stems of the original 24-track masters and put the original tape back in the vaults. Then, we can take that digital file and send it off to the label to be monetized.

#### **Tape Surgery**

Some tapes need to be triaged. There was a phenomenon in the mid-'80s, called sticky shed syndrome. They were using a gluey material to keep tape together, and it would leak out onto the tape. These tapes have to be baked in some instances, especially tapes manufactured by Ampex in the early '80s to mid-'80s. We put them onto an old Studer machine, separate out the stems and do light remastering or remixing.

#### **Computers Don't Preserve Anything**

A misconception is that once things are produced on the hard drive, you can leave them there and it becomes a preservation vehicle. That's the worst place to preserve something. A hard drive is a mechanical instrument, driven by ball bearings with grease. Over time, those hard drives seize up and you lose all your data.



"Over time, hard drives seize up and you lose all your data. As old-school as tape sounds, we've got tapes dating back 60 - 70 years in pristine condition."

As old-school as tape sounds, we've got tapes dating back 60 - 70 years in pristine condition.

#### **Clients Big and Small**

We do a great amount of estate work and we deal with a lot of individual artists, both small and large. Our preservation services are based on the amount of material you have, so if you're a large label you could spend hundreds of thousands of dollars a year preserving content. But we also have small artists that are spending \$100 or \$200 a month preserving their work.

#### Not Just Recordings

We've got a tremendous amount of costumes. We have things like gold records, guitars, things that people collect. When you talk about estates or individual artists, you talk about priceless memorabilia. We work with the Grammy Museum and Grammy Foundation, protecting and preserving costumes and historical treasures that come out of the Museum.

There are best practices in the industry and they come from Iron Mountain. We have curators and preservationists on staff, people who go to school and learn how to protect and preserve things. There are about 60 obsolete audio formats. You need to know how to handle each one. Some require different temperatures, different humidity. When you get into costumes you need HEPA filters and many air exchanges per hour.

#### The Future's Artifacts

Some artists who have passed away, we've got their life collection—all of their costumes, gold records, original masters, things I wish I could talk about. This truly is about protecting cultural heritage. Not so much today, but hundreds of years from now, if these items are still being preserved properly, someone will look back and say a big thanks to the people who took care of them. This is no different than stone tablets or hieroglyphics or things that are thousands of years old.

#### **Digital Complication**

Before we went digital, for 70 or 80 years the entertainment preservation business was much more constant. It had more continuity. You were preserving physical assets. Digital assets are finicky. It's a great distribution medium, but from an archiving standpoint the jury is still out. We know hard drives are a lousy archive medium. We're learning things about how when you migrate from LTO2 to LTO3 to LTO4, you have data degradation. You have algorithms that if you don't keep up with become obsolete, so it's not just the gear you have to keep up with-it's the software. It's become very complex since the introduction of digital.

#### **Discretion and Security**

Few people know what Iron Mountain does on the entertainment side. That's frustrating, but it's also by design. The last thing a label or an estate wants to see in the trades is that their priceless articles are stored at Iron Mountain. So secrecy is important to us. I wish I had a dollar for every person who's been through our facilities and said, "I didn't know you guys did this." Unless you are absolutely connected to the entertainment industry and deal with the Grammys or

the labels, most people don't know what we do. We've got a facility in Boyers, Pennsylvania that's been on the History Channel. It's 12 square miles in size, so it's three by four miles square. It's a DoD [Department of Defense] facility. It's underground, roughly 300 feet. And that's where we store the crown jewels for labels. They're in zero earthquake country. No risk of flood, no risk of fire. It's the safest place in the world.

#### A Surplus of Engineers

Because we are plugged into the industry, it's easy for us to find talent, especially if you're talking about L.A. or New York where we operate two of our three digital studios. The record business is going through a difficult time and there's contraction when it comes to employment with these mastering labs and labels, studios, etcetera. At least right now, there happens to be a lot of availability when it comes to seasoned engineers out on the street.

#### Legacy

This is something we take seriously. It's about protecting our cultural heritage, our legacy. We're not just a storage company. We consider ourselves preservationists and engineers. And I want people to know that these one-ofa-kind assets will be around for hundreds and hundreds of years because of Iron Mountain.

I don't think people realize when they listen to a song the reason they're able to listen to it, especially a song that's 30, 40, 50 years old, is because Iron Mountain has preserved that song so well that the label was able to take it out of a vault, have it digitized and sell it at a Starbucks. We take for granted that a song sounds really good. But it sounds really good because someone on the front end, someone like Iron Mountain, took their job seriously and made sure that music was preserved properly so people could listen to it for decades to come.

## **BUSINESS AFFAIRS**

#### **OPPS**

A new pop music compilation series, WANNA PARTY!, has launched. Its goal is to introduce new pop artists and songs to a worldwide audience. Patterned after the successful NOW! Series, this compilation gives independent artists a chance to be heard and seen by pop music fans who love up-tempo, catchy songs.

The concept is spearheaded by music executive Jay Warsinske (Madonna, U2, Janet Jackson, Black Eved Peas. Eminem and more), who has assembled a network of execs and talent scouts including Peter Rafelson and Rhonda Bedekian. Their mission is to find and develop collections of goodtime, up-tempo songs by exceptional new pop artists. The WANNA PARTY! Series will debut Memorial Day 2016 ('the official start of summer') and plans for three releases per year, followed by WANNA PARTY! The Tour, which will feature top artists from the series. In fact, a special WANNA PARTY! tour performance has already been scheduled for Aug.13 at Universal Studios in Hollywood, CA.

For more information and details, you can email info@WannaParty Music.com. Artists interested can submit by sending SoundCloud/ Reverbnation links or MP3s to sub missions@WannaPartyMusic.com.

Popular music discovery platform Pandora has launched AMPcast. It's a powerful new tool to help artists engage and grow their audiences on Pandora. This new feature, which is available on Pandora's Artist Marketing

Platform (AMP), is a promotional tool that lets artists instantly speak to their fans. AMPcast even helps artists to record spontaneous audio messages on their mobile phone and target fans who are listening to their music. Whether you're on tour or in the studio, you can use AMPcast to alert fans about local concert dates, album releases or just to share some stories from life on the road. You can also include a link for fans to buy an album or tickets for an upcoming tour. This new tool is available to a select group of artists and will launch to all artists registered on AMP within the coming months. If you're not signed up for AMP you can register at amp.pandora.com, so you can start taking advantage of this new technology.

Greatshakin' Music is seeking artists, songwriters and bands for development deals. The company works primarily in the country and rock genres, but they insist that if you have amazing music they want to hear it. You can submit your best track(s) for consideration via Music Xray at musicxray.com. There is no deadline for submissions.

The Musicians Institute in Hollywood, CA is offering a brand new DJ Performance and Production program. The six-month, two-quarter DJ Program will train students in the use of industrystandard software and equipment including Ableton Live, Traktor Pro and Serato DJ; along with courses in Beat-Matching, Vinyl Turntablism, Synth Programming, Sound Design, Remixing and more. The DJ Program faculty



#### ▲ NEWSOME WINS GRAND PRIZE AT IAMA

Jack Newsome, a student at Berklee College of Music, won top honors at the 12th Annual International Acoustic Music Awards (IAMA). Newsome is a 19-year-old singer/songwriter and producer from New Jersey. He won the Overall Grand Prize and First Prize with his acoustic guitar based song "Hooked On Me." He will be releasing a full-length album later this year. IAMA promotes acoustic music performance and artistry. In fact, it has a proven track record of winners going on to hit the Billboard charts. Meghan Trainor was discovered by IAMA six years ago and is now a global superstar. To learn more about the winner and IAMA, go to jacknewsome.com and inacoustic.com.



#### ▲ SMOKE SEASON SIGNS WITH CREATIVE ARTISTS AGENCY

Creative Artists Agency (CAA) has signed Los Angeles indie-electronic band Smoke Season. Formed in 2013, the duo released a debut EP, *Signals*, and a follow-up EP *Hot Coals Cold Souls*. Since then, they've focused on buzzworthy singles garnering the attention of *Music Connection* magazine, LA Weekly, LA Record, New York Times, Los Angeles Magazine, FUSE TV and many tastemaker blogs. They plan to embark on a tour this summer to support the release of their new EP *Ouroboros*. CAA will play a significant role in the release of the accompanying *Ouroboros* short film, created with production company, APLUSFILMZ (Kendrick Lamar, Talib Kweli, Murs). For more information about this act, visit smokeseason.com.

includes "Scratch Champions" DJ Jedi and DJ Swift; "Ableton-certified" artist Josh Spoon; "Max for Live" pioneer Tom Hall; acclaimed house/techno producer Art Bleek; and prolific house/disco DJ and producer Magic Touch. For information go to mi.edu.

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Good Charlotte are set to return with their sixth studio album via the Multiplatinum-selling band's own indie label MDDN, distributed worldwide through Kobalt. The album is scheduled for release this summer (exact release date TBA). Formed in the mid-'90s, they have five albums and two collaborations under their belt, and were integral in establishing a critical mass for the pop-punk genre. Good Charlotte's Madden Brothers (Joel and Benji) report, "The new album is like our previous albums in that it's for people who love music and are motivated to try to live a rad life." You can find out more at good charlotte.com.

Republic Records and Universal Pictures have announced that the official soundtrack album for Popstar: Never Stop Never Stopping will arrive in stores and at digital retailers on June 3. The new Universal Pictures comedy from producer **Judd Apatow** and Emmy-winning and Grammynominated Multiplatinum trio **The Lonely Island (Andy Samberg, Akiva Schaffer, Jorma Taccone)** arrives in theaters on the same day. Go to republicrecords.com to find the latest news about this project.

Yes have announced their 2016 summer touring plans. Billed as "The Album Series: Drama + Topographic 1 & 4," the tour will feature the 1980 album Drama performed in its entirety, for the first time ever, and sides one and four of 1973's double album Tales from Topographic Oceans, plus a selection of their greatest hits. "We are proud to present the American public with forward-looking albums from the past," says guitarist Steve Howe of the iconic and influential band. The band's summer outing will take them through the U.S. from late July through early September, beginning July 27 in Columbus, OH. Go to yesworld.com for ticketing information and stay tuned for additional shows that will be announced soon.

Following hot on the heels of last year's release, *Black River*, rockers Doomsday Outlaw spread their wings on their latest record *Suffer More*, set for release on May 27. Bringing their trademark Southern rock and metal alongside dirty heavy blues, the 15 tracks

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of heavy groove-laden rock take in Black Stone Cherry and Zakk Wylde, while weaving in classic Maiden, Faces and Hendrix. The album was recorded and mixed at Snug Recording in Derby (U.K.) by Richard Collins (Lost Alone, Therapy) and mastered by Pete Maher (U2, The Rolling Stones, Jack White). The band have gained a large and fast growing fan base with their blistering live shows and are building further on that with this album. For additional information, go to doomsdayoutlaw.com.

#### PROPS

AirPlay Direct has honored Blake Morgan, CEO and owner of ECR Music Group, with AirPlay Direct's "Iconic Innovators" Award. The award honors visionaries who have openly embraced digital innovation in the music industry. "Blake is a truly exceptional person and exemplifies the definition of iconic innovator," stated Lynda Weingartz, AirPlay Direct's CEO. "He has a talent very few people have." As an integral component to the "Iconic Innovators" Award, AirPlay Direct is offering Morgan a \$50,000 AirPlay Direct "Marketing & Awareness Campaign" to accelerate his brand development and global radio distribution footprint for ECR Music Group's new releases and catalog. You can go to airplaydirect.com and ecrmusic group.com to learn more.

Phoenix, AZ record label, Heart Dance Records, is launching a major musical project for the

2016 Holiday Season. It's a compilation album featuring many of Arizona's best contemporary instrumental artists and vocalists. The album, Christmas from the Heart, will be sold in Arizona businesses, with a portion of the sales being earmarked for the Music IS Therapy Foundation, a local Arizona charity. "Holiday Showcases" around the state will feature artists on the album, which include Tucson resident Will Clipman, Phoenixbased Finzer Mahoney Duo (One World Music Radio Album of the Year), Sedona resident Louis Landon (Whisperings Album of the Year) and many more. Music IS Therapy assists other non-profits that provide music therapy to children with special needs and teens in crisis. If interested in the cause, visit heartdancerecords.com and/or musicistherapy.org.

The Lumineers' second album, Cleopatra, has hit No. 1 on the Billboard Top 200 Album Chart. According to Mediabase, their recently released single "Ophelia" set a record for the single week spin count at the AAA radio format. Cleopatra is the first No. 1 album from an indie label this year (Dualtone, an Entertainment One company), and is a hit overseas with the album ringing up No. 1 sales in the U.K. and Canada to go along with the U.S. top rank. The band also announced that they were trending in the top 5 at Alternative radio. In another milestone, the band's songs reached a combined one billion streams on Pandora, in addition to the band selling over



#### MUSIC BIZ STUDENTS HOST EPIC SHOWCASE

Students at the Musicians Institute in Hollywood, CA hosted a showcase to celebrate the end of the Winter Quarter. Epic in scope, the show featured eight acts, sponsors, a red carpet, photo shoots, radio interviews and free pizza, making it the biggest show ever presented by students. They produced the show for a Music Business Entrepreneur course called "Showcase Promotions." Pictured (I-r) are the students responsible for the event: April Turner (Founder/CEO of Perfect Verse and Music Business Consultant); Ruby Chase (Showcase MC, recording artist, producer and Convergence Social Light); Diane "H.O.P.E" Mtakati (South African artist, singer and songwriter). To learn more about MI's Music Business Program, visit mi.edu and click the Music Business link.

#### **DIY** Spotlight The Swamp Drivers

are extreme DIY art-ists and one of the most unusual groups may be older dude who play bluesy hard rock, but that doesn't stop them from blowing mind The fact is these



The fact is these guys are so DIY, they build their own instruments. So far, they've invented 15 different instruments including: The One-Stringed Hoe (of course it's a G-string), The Plunger, The Pitch-fork Guitar, The Shoveltar, The Trash Can Drum Set, The Frying Pan Guitar and The Bedpan Bass. YouTube videos of their unusual instruments are viral sensations, garnering millions of views (3.6 million to date). Their social media is climbing as well, with an organic reach of over 12 million. Indeed, about 100 comments per minute occur on Facebook whenever a new instrument is unveiled. At the band's shows, people stop in their tracks and pull out their phones to record the amazing array of funny looking instruments. Then, when the band starts to play, jaws drop and the party ensues. Guitar Player magazine published an article on them in the B.B. King issue.

The Swamp Drivers are constantly getting offers to play venues, clubs, river boats, motorcycle rallies, festivals and more. They have already played New York's Blues Festival (2,000 people), Saranac Concert (1,700 people) and Herkimer County Fair (500 people). The band was inducted into the "New York State Blues Hall of Fame" a couple years ago.

Have a successful DIY strategy to share? Email bbatmc@aol.com

200,000 tickets in advance of their U.S. tour. Visit thelumineers.com.

#### **THE BIZ**

The Recording Industry Association of America (RIAA) just released its annual report on the state of the music industry, and it's both bad news and good news. The sale of music is on a steady decline, and has been for the past 10 years. In fact, it has stayed around \$7 billion since 2010. CD sales have dropped 84% over the last decade, and their replacement-digital downloads-have also seen a drop in sales.

The good news? Both streaming music services and vinyl record sales have noted a big boost. Streaming services, from Spotify and SoundCloud to Pandora and YouTube, now represent a large source of income for the music industry. And they've made it easier for artists to get their music heard by eager fans. At the same time, vinyl records have made a surprising comeback and account for over \$400 million dollars in sales. Moreover, there is hope on the horizon. Coalitions are forming to ensure that music creators-including producers, mixers and engineerscan receive fairer compensation for

their work. Recent legislation, such as the Songwriter Equity Act, the Local Radio Fairness Act and the Allocation for Music Producers Act (AMP), has been introduced in Congress and will hopefully change the ways in which songwriters, artists and music producers are paid.

The 27th annual Simi Valley Cajun & Blues Music Festival will rock once again Memorial Day weekend, Saturday and Sunday, May 28 and 29, at Rancho Santa Susanna Community Park. The event features two full stages for each of its musical genres including headliners such as Booker T, Eric Burdon & the Animals, Leon Russell, Rebirth Brass Band and more. Music will proceed non-stop each day from 12 noon until 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$25 for adults (13 and over) and children 12 and younger are free. Discount single day tickets of \$20 and two-day passes for \$35 are available only online. For more info and tickets, visit simicajun.org.

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## "We Had a Hit Single with Jesse McCartney, and it all Began with TAXI"

Andy Dodd and Adam Watts – TAXI members www.reddecibelproductions.com www.adamwatts.com

Adam and Andy's success through TAXI is a little bit different from all the other stories you've probably heard. They got their *biggest* deal after their membership ran out!

Here's how it happened: "We joined TAXI in 2001 and found that it was a great motivator for us. We were members for two years. We learned a lot, wrote a ton of songs, and got a few film and TV placements -- some through TAXI, and some on our own.

We submitted a song we wrote with Jenn Shepard called "You Make Me Feel" to one of TAXI's Industry Listings. We didn't hear anything back for a while and eventually our TAXI membership ran out. Thankfully, we began to get so busy with production and writing gigs that we decided to wait and renew our membership at a later date.

Little did we know that TAXI had sent our song to a

production/management company that was looking for material for a young, male Pop artist they were developing.

Later that year, Jesse McCartney's managers called us saying they had just heard "You Make Me Feel" on a CD they got from TAXI and wanted to have him cut the song. Although Jesse decided not to record "You Make Me Feel", his managers asked us to write more songs for him. We wrote a handful and they ended up putting his vocal on two of the tracks we produced, "Take Your Sweet Time" and "Beautiful Soul".

"Beautiful Soul" got played on Radio Disney, and Jesse's



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management got the song to a label executive at Disney. Soon after, Jesse was signed to Hollywood Records. "Beautiful Soul" became his first single, and we both signed publishing deals with Disney Music Publishing.

Jesse McCartney's album (entitled "Beautiful Soul") has gone Platinum in the U.S. and Australia.

"Beautiful Soul" went to #3 on Radio and Records CHR Pop Chart, #5 on Billboard's Top 40 Chart, #19 on Billboard's Adult Top 40 chart, it's a Platinum Digital Single Download, it's on the Gold-selling 'Cinderella Story' Motion Picture Soundtrack, the Gold-selling 'That's So Raven' TV Soundtrack, and the video was nominated for Best Pop Video at a 2005 MTV Video Music Awards."

All of this came about because Adam and Andy sent a song to TAXI. Call for our free information kit.

### **SIGNING STORIES**



Date Signed: Oct. 31, 2013 Label: Warner Bros. Records Band Members: Lukas Graham Forchhammer, vocals; Kasper Daugaard, keyboard; Magnus Larsson, bass; Mark Falgren, drums. Type of Music: Pop, Alternative, Soul Management: Kasper Faerk, Lasse Siegismund - Then We Take The World Booking: Kasey McKee - CAA Legal: Jens Krogh Petersen Publicity: Jaime Rosenberg, Jaime.rosenberg@wbr.com Web: LukasGraham.com

ukas Graham voiced a few simple (yet unwavering) requests during his first casual encounter with Warner Bros. Records Chairman/CEO Cameron Strang: provide ample time for music and his buddies.

Or to put it Graham's way: "I want to build the perfect team and I want time to settle my record, to meet new writers and producers and experiment with my sound. Most of all, I want to build a team I know I can trust."

And to justify such dedication, over the next several months the 27-year-old classically trained singer emptied his own pockets to accommodate his loyal Denmark crew's Los Angeles transition. "I write lyrics and melodies—I don't produce drums or write string arrangements. I don't know chords and keys. When Warner didn't want to pay for something, I went and paid for it. So Warner could see that I put my own

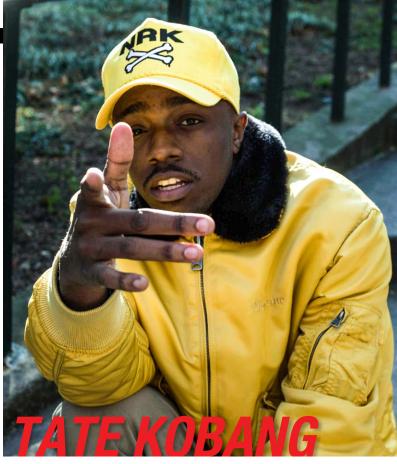
## "The record label is not your friend."

trust and heart into it, I bankrupted myself twice. They eventually put in more effort and money and rewarded me for investing."

Graham's rather humble upbringing also lends a positive sort of industry cynicism. "The record label is not your friend. You can't trust them as a whole, but you can rely on people at your label. You must make money [because] the corporate beast wants money. But people want people. I try to bond and connect with everyone from top to bottom. If you're not a likable guy, they don't give a shit about working with you."

Worldwide fame on Spotify also influenced Graham. "I would advise artists to stop making exclusive releases. It's bullshit! You're pissing on your fans without the courtesy of calling it rain. Streaming has democratized music—people are now choosing the songs. No one knew who Lukas Graham was six months ago, but once ["7 Years"] became global it got forced onto radio."

With chart-climbing hits and a demanding tour, things aren't slowing down for the band anytime soon. Still, Graham maintains a modest outlook on success. "We get the feeling from the entire Warner team that this kind of run doesn't happen. It's not supposed to go this well." – **Danica Bellini** 



Date Signed: July 2015 Label: 300 Entertainment/D1 Entertainment Type of Music: Rap, Hip-Hop Management: O. Lloyd, directoneent@gmail.com Booking: tatekobangbooking@gmail.com Legal: Mintor & Assoc. Publicity: Aishah White - AKW PR, aishah@akwpr.com Web: 300ent.com/roster/tate-kobang A&R: Selim Boubab, selim@threehundred.biz

Somewhere between a month and six weeks after "Bank Rolls" began climbing the charts last April, 300 Entertainment knocked on rapper Tate Kobang's door. Although wary, his concerns melted away after meeting Selim Boubab and Todd Moscowitz. "When we figured out who it was," he announces, "it was like, man, maybe we should fuck with these guys."

The single's success brought 300 to the table, but Kobang's style and Baltimore rawness made the deal irresistible. "This is an untapped market," boasts the player. "It's some new shit, so why wouldn't you want that wave before it picks up?"

Kobang made certain the deal, centering around a single with a twoalbum option, was scrutinized before making his decision. Beyond that, faith played a critical role in making his choice. "I prayed on it, man. That's the most I can do."

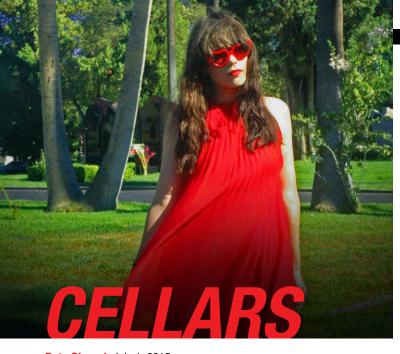
Despite the label's muscle, Kobang claims his music would have placed him in front of high-level collaborators regardless. "It's the music," he

## "Let it be known you're not going to get pushed over."

announces, referencing calls from Swizz Beats and Nelly. "I don't need no gimmicks, no image, none of that bullshit. I've just got good-ass music."

Although he's the contract's sole signee, the young star discusses the deal in terms of "we"—Kobang wants to pass along the torch of good fortune. "I got out, so now I'm trying to lend a hand," he professes. "That's what we're here for. Life is about progression and trying to move forward."

Never forget, he advises, to hold strong with potential labels and insist upon your worth. "Let it be known you're not going to get pushed over," he insists. "You're not just going to let them do anything with you. At the end of the day, you need them but they need you more." – **Andy Kaufmann** 



Date Signed: July 1, 2015 Label: Manifesto Records, Inc. Band Members: Alle Norton Type of Music: Pop Management: Rebecca Henderson Booking: Nicole Frazier Legal: Evan Cohen

Publicity: Jamie Williams - Shore Fire Media, jwilliams@shorefire.com Web: cellarsmusic.com, facebook.com/cellarss A&R: Dexy Valentine

When Alle Norton finally decided to move production from the confines of her small Hollywood apartment to a fully stocked recording studio, Manifesto Records provided the perfect opportunity.

Initially, Norton (who now goes by the mystifying moniker Cellars) couldn't afford such luxuries. But after some self-released music got into the right hands through friendly industry acquaintances, a promising record contract soon "manifested."

Norton enthusiastically embraced all duties involved with the development of her eclectic third album *Phases*.

"I had total creative control over the entire project," she explains. "I engineered the entire record, which was a lot of work. But I'm proud that it

## "Having other people involved was eye-opening."

turned out so well. To have control over not only the sound, but how [the songs] were actually produced, was really awesome. I had my hands on every aspect of the record."

But relinquishing some responsibility proved just as satisfying. "My songs are very personal and sort of cathartic," she states. "I like [writing] because it's what keeps me from going crazy. But having other people involved in the production and recording process was pretty great and eye-opening, as far as how much others can bring to the table collaboratively."

Although she studied music business in college, Norton has entered a whole different realm of artistry, she says. "It's cool having that background, then coming into the industry and seeing how things actually work. It's a huge learning and growing experience for me. If I want to make this a career, I have to be more mindful of certain things that maybe worked before when I was just playing little DIY shows and making music in my bedroom. Stuff that I wasn't worrying about, but now I have to be more cautious of."

Working alongside Manifesto and producer Ariel Pink (one of Norton's biggest musical influences), brought Cellars to life in a way the instrumental powerhouse once only dreamed of. "Coming in and working with them as partners," she says, "it feels less like a label telling you what to do. I have full support—these things don't really happen that often."

Norton is now touring to promote Phases. - Danica Bellini



Date Signed: March 6, 2016 Label: Misra Records, misrarecords.com Band Members: Adam Dankowski, guitar, vocals; Graham Epstein, drums, vocals; Jose Chalit, guitar; Josh Kaplan, bass. Type of Music: Dream Rock Management: N/A Booking: N/A Legal: Arnold R. Kaplan - Spencer Fane Publicity: Justin Kreitzer Web: facebook.com/thebaltic A&R: John Kuker, Jeff Betten

Producer Eric Halborg discovered The Baltic via Bandcamp two years ago, subsequently introducing them to Pittsburgh indie Misra Records. Though the label lacked the money to take the group on at that time, several rounds of investors later they returned.

Label president/CEO Jeff Betten made a pilgrimage to New York to visit The Baltic's drummer, Graham Epstein, who's currently attending The New School. The rest of the band, who've been playing together since freshman year in high school, are also pursuing higher educations. Misra was the one label that could stomach an act only touring during breaks.

## "A lot of [labels] didn't like that we were in different colleges, but Misra believed in us."

"We contacted a lot of labels," states Epstein. "A lot of them didn't like that we were in different colleges, but Misra believed in us."

Although The Baltic previously maintained an agreement with LGL Records, this is the group's first legal signing. Besides loving their Britpop, shoegaze sound, Misra appreciated the band's dedication to craft. A listen to the young act's independently recorded five-song EP cemented the label's interest.

Being fans of Misra acts like Great Lake Swimmers and Shearwater made the offer attractive to The Baltic. Everyone except guitarist Jose Chalit was down with the move to sign, so Misra allowed him to opt out. The contract endured numerous revisions, a process made easier by the label's willingness to alter the terms.

"It was hard for us to book shows," admits Epstein. "A lot of clubs didn't take us seriously because of our age. We needed someone who believed in us." Even better, Misra is licensed by legendary Sub Pop Records, a connection that might later pay off.

Expect The Baltic's debut EP to be released around Memorial Day, with an LP to follow later this year. – *Andy Kaufmann* 

## SONG BIZ



#### 🛦 Merle Haggard: American Hero

Song Biz notes the passing of a towering icon, the great songwriter and country music legend Merle Haggard. The writer of such classics as "Silver Wings," "Momma Tried" and "Sing Me Back Home," he received a Grammy Lifetime Achievement Award among his many honors. He died on his 79th birthday.

#### Alexandra Lioutikoff Named EVP at UMPG

Universal Music Publishing Group (UMPG) has appointed Alexandra Lioutikoff as Executive Vice President, Latin Music. At her previous gig at ASCAP. Lioutikoff produced the verv successful ASCAP Latin Awards (Los Premios de ASCAP), created ASCAPLatino.com and launched the Song Camp Series, which brings together Latin and Anglo writers. Lioutikoff has been featured three times on Billboard's Latin Power Players list, and was named one of "25 Most Powerful Women" in The Hollywood Reporter's Hispanic Women in Entertainment report.





#### Lamont Dozier at USC

Songwriters Hall of Fame Inductee and Johnny Mercer Award winner Lamont Dozier returned to the campus for a Songwriters Hall of Fame Master Session. Mary Jo Mennella, Barbara Cane, Kathy Spanberger and Casey Robison from the Songwriters Hall of Fame West Coast Projects Committee were in attendance. The association forged between USC and the Songwriters Hall of Fame has featured numerous SHOF inductees, Starlight and Abe Olman winners. Pictured (I-r): Spanberger, Dozier and Cane.

#### **Feel the Bern** at Song Retreat

The Listening Room, an organization that presents international songwriter retreats worldwide, announced a new three-day and three-night event June 9 - 12 in the mountains of Idyllwild, CA near Palm Springs. The event features guided co-writing sessions, private career and song consultations, a guitar workshop, fully equipped writing rooms, a concert presentation and a special quest and mentor, songwriter and recording artist Dan Bern.

Registration info and details are on the Facebook page: facebook. com/idyllwildlisteningroomsong writersretreat

#### **Performing Songwriter** Workshops

Performing Songwriter Workshops has announced the last two events of 2016. From June 9 - 11 singer/ songwriter Mary Gauthier will present "Finding Your Writer's Voice," and July 28 - 30 singer/songwriter Jonatha Brooke will teach "Discovering New Paths Into Songs."

Workshops are limited to 20 participants and are held in Nashville. Registration information is at performingsongwriter.com.

#### **Steve Cropper Catches Primary Wave**

Primary Wave Music Publishing announces its partnership with legendary guitarist, songwriter and producer Steve Cropper in the ownership of his music publishing catalog. Cropper is best known as the guitarist of the Stax Records house band, Booker T. & the M.G.'s, which backed artists such as Otis Redding, Sam & Dave, Carla Thomas, Rufus Thomas and Johnnie Taylor.

Along with his influential work

with Booker T & The MG's, which includes "Green Onions," one of the most popular instrumental rock and soul songs to date. Cropper also co-wrote such timeless classics as: "In the Midnight Hour" with Wilson Pickett and "(Sittin' On) The Dock of the Bay" with Otis Redding and "Knock on Wood" with Eddie Floyd.

Primary Wave will aggressively market Steve Cropper's catalog of music and secure sync placements for film, TV and commercials while working to expand Cropper's brand alongside his longtime manager Geddes Bootwright. The Steve Cropper song catalog is the first acquisition in Primary Wave's new music IP acquisition fund, which will announce its formation and its resources in the very near future.

Details at primarywave.com.

#### **Music Biz Town Hall** in Nashville

The Music Business Association (Music Biz) will address the needs of the songwriting and publishing community in Nashville and beyond at this year's Songwriters & Publishers Town Hall, which will be held on Wednesday, May 18, from 9 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. during the Music Biz 2016 Convention at the Renaissance Nashville Hotel. Leavens Strand & Glover LLC will sponsor the event. The event will feature a keynote presentation from Steve Bogard, Director of The Copyright Forum and a songwriter with BBR Music Groups Magic Mustang Music who has written nine No. 1 Country songs, including George Strait's "Carried Away" and "Carrying Your Love with Me" as well as Rascal Flatts' "Prayin' for Daylight." He also serves as ex officio advisor to the NSAI Board and sits on the Board of the Nashville Songwriters



#### Timbaland Builds Empire with ASCAP

ASCAP EVP, Membership John Titta presented composer Timbaland the Top Network Series award for his work on Empire onstage during the 2016 ASCAP Screen Music Awards at The Beverly Hilton Hotel.

Hall of Fame Foundation. His presentation will offer a unique viewpoint on today's copyright issues, attacking the problem from both an artist and business perspective.

The Songwriters & Publishers Town Hall will also include a variety of panels featuring top publishing and performance rights professionals from companies such as Big Yellow Dog Music, BMG Rights Management, BMI, Combustion Music, Leavens Strand & Glover LLC, MusicSynk/LoudLab, ole, Secret Road Music Services, SESAC, Songtrust/Downtown Music Publishing, Streaming Promotions/Outside the Box Music. Word Entertainment and Wrensong. Issues to be discussed include artist and songwriter development, indie publishing, synch licensing, streaming promotions and more.

Register at musicbiz.org.

#### USA Songwriting Competition Deadline

USA Songwriting Competition is noted for a distinguished history of having its winners signed to recording and publishing contracts including 2013 winner American Authors who were signed to Island Records. The top two winners of 2011. Nenna Yvonne and Alexander Cardinale were signed to Interscope Records after their wins while 2007 winner Ari Gold hit Top 10 on the Billboard charts with his winning song. Other winners have penned chart topping songs and amassed extensive film and television credits. In its landmark year, the 21st Annual USA Songwriting Competition is currently accepting entries. Deadline for entry is May 27. For further information, visit songwriting.net.

#### Aloha! Hawai'i Songwriting Festival

Designed for all levels of songwriters, the Hawai'i Songwriting Festival—at the Hapuna Beach Prince Hotel on the Big Island June 16 through 18-celebrates the art and craft of songwriting by emphasizing education. collaboration and music in film & TV through workshops, seminars, panels, group critiques, speed mentoring, open mic and concerts. Join your fellow songwriters in a unique, intimate, relaxed atmosphere that gives you direct access to our experienced staff of professional songwriters, musicians, producers, music supervisors, music publishers, label representatives and more.

Find out more and register at hawaiisongwritingfestival.com.

#### Concord Bicycle Acquires Musart

Concord Bicycle Music has acquired Latin America's leading independent record label and music publisher The Musart Music Group. The transaction includes its publishing divisions of Edimusa Mexico and Vander USA as well as its recorded divisions of Discos Musart Mexico, Balboa Records USA and Panart Cuba. The publishing catalog consists of roughly 70,000 copyrights and the masters catalog is comprised of roughly 4,000 albums. More at concordmusicgroup.com

DAN KIMPEL, author of six music industry books, is an instructor at Musicians Institute in Hollywood, CA. He lectures at colleges and conferences worldwide.



#### **SESAC** at Tin Pan South

SESAC hosted a showcase for the 2016 Tin Pan South Festival. The event featured a round with songwriters Steve Bogard ("Every Mile A Memory"), Lance Miller ("Drink To That All Night"), Rob Hatch ("Goodnight Kiss") and Craig Campbell ("Family Man"). The Nashville Songwriters Association International (NSAI) sponsors the Tin Pan South event. Pictured (I-r): E.T. Brown, SESAC; Hatch; Shannan Hatch, SESAC; Bogard; Katie Mae Vogrin, SESAC; Miller; Tim Fink, SESAC; and Campbell.



#### A Gabriela Gonzalez Promoted at ASCAP

The American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers (ASCAP) has promoted Gabriela Gonzalez to Vice President, Latin. The former senior director will now oversee the ASCAP Latin Membership Department, including staff in Los Angeles, Miami, New York and Puerto Rico, responsible for developing the careers of ASCAP composers and songwriters, recruiting new members and serving all of ASCAP's Latin writer and publisher members.

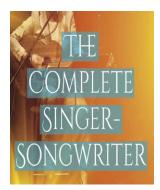


#### Anders & Anders to Kobalt

Kobalt announced the signing of a worldwide administration deal with uber music producer Adam Anders (*Glee, The Passion, Rock Of Ages*) and vocalist, writer and television personality Nikki Anders. Through this new liaison, Kobalt will administer the Anders' existing catalogs (Little Fireball Music and Adam Anders Music) as well as all future works. Additionally, Kobalt will have exclusive administration of all new writers signed by the the duo via Deep Well Publishing, their newly minted publishing arm of Capitol Music Group label imprint Deep Well Records. See kobaltmusic.com for more details.

#### The Complete Singer-Songwriter Book

The Complete Singer-Songwriter is chock-full of tips, tools and inspiration for both aspiring troubadours and those looking to take their craft and career to the next level. Author Jeffrey Pepper Rodgers draws on firsthand interviews with songwriting legends and rising stars; expert advice from managers, agents, lawyers and publishers; and his own experiences as a performing songwriter. Further info is at halleonard.com.







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## FKi 1st Fetty Wap, Iggy Azalea, Post Malone

n the dimly lit studio in a nondescript industrial building in North Hollywood, CA, the air is pungent and the mood is elevated. Songwriter/ producer/artist and DJ FKi 1st, just in from Las Vegas, has a rare day off from Fetty Wap's "Welcome to the Zoo" tour where his DJ set opens the show for Post Malone. FKi 1st is a songwriter and producer on "White Iverson," Malone's platinum single, and while traveling on tour is working with the artist on his full-length debut.

With "Make it Rain" for Travis Porter; "Watch Out" by 2 Chainz; "I Think She's Ready" by Iggy Azalea; "Missionary" by Ty Dolla \$ign and "Weekend" featuring Miguel with Mac Miller, FKi 1st is riding on a string of notable cuts as a writer and producer. He says that when he first met Post Malone the artist was exclusively a rapper. "He thought that would be the only thing that I liked. His dad came to my house in L.A. and showed me a video of him playing guitar and singing. I can see the best in artists

and what their strengths are. It makes everything easier. I said, 'Bring it out, and let it go.' The song 'White Iverson' came two songs after that."

From Atlanta, FKi 1st (whose given name is Trocon Markous Roberts, Jr.) was first inspired by the funk, especially the cosmic concoctions of George Clinton and Parliament Funkadelic. "I used to DJ for my parents' parties in the basement. I would sneak George Clinton on and wonder, 'Why is it when I play this song everybody moves?' I wanted to do the same thing." From DJing, FKi 1st learned a fundamental lesson. "When the song starts it has to get people's attention."



– DAN KIMPEI

Growing up, FKi 1st says

that he wasn't a particularly diligent student. "Here's the thing: since eighth or ninth grade I knew what I was going to be doing. I'm a prophet. I can see the future. I told my teachers, 'This is pointless. I know what I am going to be doing.' It was the craziest shi\*. It took a long time, but I saw all of what is happening now."

Prophet or not, FKi 1st says his parents weren't entirely convinced and encouraged him to continue his education. He had seen ads for the school in recording magazines, so he enrolled in Full Sail Recording Academy in Florida. After completing his studies, he returned home to Atlanta. "I started sleeping in studios—anywhere that had a mic and speakers. I had to be around that shi\* every single day."

FKi 1st has headquarters in both Los Angeles and Atlanta. "The cool thing about Atlanta is that the radio stations can play anything they like. If you have a hot song you can catch the DJ at a club. Your song can come on and if they like it the next day they can play it on the air in a mix show. Strip clubs are good places to play new songs too. Everybody goes to the strip club, all ages and races. L.A. is cool too, but there is just so much here. You have to know where you come from. I have to go back and recharge my Atlanta batteries."

In addition to writing and producing, FKi 1st is also recording what he envisions as a series of EPs to showcase his own artistry. The project is slated for release on the Mad Decent label founded by the marquee DJ, producer and artist Diplo. The two met in Atlanta when Diplo was DJing in a small club. "He showed me you can be down to earth, humble and very rich," laughs FKi 1st.

In order to write and produce for artists, FKi 1st says that proximity is key. "You have to live with them," he asserts. "I like being comfortable and making friends with the people I'm working with." He also believes that a connection to knowledge from a variety of influences is essential. "Every single person who does music—from Mozart to Dr. Dre—is a teacher. Listen, learn and incorporate those things and make them your own."

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## FILM•TV•THEATER

#### DROPS

Republic Records and The Weinstein Company dropped the Sing Street soundtrack to digital retailers and physical stores at the end of April after the film opened in New York and Los Angeles on April 15. With the film set in '80s Dublin and London, the soundtrack compiles the classics of Duran Duran, The Cure, Hall & Oates and more, four covers by the film's title band, Sing Street, and Maroon 5 frontman Adam Levine's "Go Now." For more information, contact Beau Benton at Beau.Benton@ UMusic.com.



Smoke + Mirrors Live, capturing Grammywinning band Imagine Dragons' live show in Toronto, will drop on June 3. The Smoke + Mirrors tour involved 110 dates in 42 countries on five continents, bringing 15,000 fans to Toronto for the show captured on film. It was directed by Dick Carruthers who has also done films for Oasis, The Killers and Led Zeppelin. Contact Carol Kaye at Carol@KayosProductions.com for more information.

THE DAMNED: Don't You Wish That We Were Dead will drop on May 20. Directed and produced by Wes Orshoski, the critically acclaimed work is the first fully authorized documentary on the punk torchbearers, telling the story of the U.K. band that preceded both The Sex Pistols and The Clash in releasing a single and album, and tour America. They debuted in the States at CBGB in April 1977. Today, The Damned is the only band from London's 1976 Punk Rock Big Bang still touring the world. The documentary features band founders Captain





Sensible, Dave Vanian, Rat Scabies and Brian James, plus appearances by one-time bandmates including The Pretenders' Chrissie Hynde and Mick Jones of The Clash. For details. email Clint Weiler at Clint@MVDB2B.com.

Nashville's Third Man Records, founded by Jack White, recently released a brand new live record by SQÜRL, a New York City supergroup made of composer Carter Logan, filmmaker Jim Jarmusch and composer Jozef Van. The live record was recorded direct-to-tape in March 2015, adding to the group's three EPs and ATP/

recordings, plus music for the films The Limits of Control and Only Lovers Left Alive. Contact Ken Weinstein, Wein stein@BigHassle.com, for more details.

#### OPPS

Hollywood-based Docler Media is seeking a videographer to join its expanding team. Applicants must be experienced and self-motivated. The selected applicant will create visual storytelling through multiple platforms, have creative

input in brainstorming sessions, edit and retouch videos, choose and set up locations, and use a range of equipment. For more information about applying, visit DoclerMedia.com/en/main/.

Magical Day Radio, a radio show, recorded podcast and webcast heard in 89 countries, is looking for authors, current and former cast members of all types, animators, sound producers, entertainers, actors, musicians and filmmakers from any Disney park in the world to discuss their experiences. Booking inquiries should be directed to Dawn Short and Steve Lee at DawnPara28@gmail.com.

Recorded podcast and video webcast It's Your Break wants to talk to musicians, singers,

producers, filmmakers, television show producers and other artists. To make a pitch, email show host Jonathan Mertz at Jonathan@ItsYour Break.com with videos or previous interviews if possible.

If you're looking to sharpen your video production chops and gain valuable web experience, SourceRock Partners, which has locations in both Los Angeles and Denver, wants a content director to oversee web-based content and all aspects of video production including shooting, editing and graphics on a daily basis. Topics



include politics, energy, business and current events. Send a résumé and a reel of work to zpf66-5530041654@job. craigslist.org to apply. Applications must include reels to be considered. Periodic trips to Denver may be required.

#### PROPS

Magnet Releasing, the genre arm of Magnolia Pictures, has announced that celebrated musician and songwriter Annie Clark (St. Vincent) will make her directorial debut on the

company's upcoming all-female-helmed horror anthology film XX. Not only will each segment be directed by a woman, each will star female leads. Clark's segment, scheduled to film this spring, has been co-written and will be produced by genre maven Roxanne Benjamin (Southbound, V/H/S, V/H/S/2, Faults). Gnicholis@ magpictures.com for more info.

Five composers on the "Maestros of Video Games" panel gave their insider tips on what it takes to write music for video games on April 23 at the 2016 PAX East. The panel included Gareth Coker (Minecraft: Greek Mythology, ARK: Survival Evolved), Mikolai Stroinski (The Witcher 3: Wild Hunt, The Witcher 3: Blood & Wine), Daniel James (Metal Gear Solid 5: The Phantom Pain), Tom Salta (Killer Instinct,

Season 3, Halo: The Fall of Reach, Halo 1&2 Anniversary) and Jason Hayes (World of Warcraft, Warcraft III, Starcraft: Legacy of the Void, Starcraft). After the talk, panel members stayed for a meet-and-greet with guests. For more information about the event, email Greg@ TopDollarPR.com. television network for the fast-growing, Latino and multicultural 18 to 34 audience, and the expansion of **Fuse.tv**. The 30-minute podcast features conversations with artists, tastemakers and Fuse experts.

For additional information, contact Jeanne O'Keefe at JOKeefe@LippinGroup.com.



Composer **John Debney's Disney** upbringing has come full circle: thanks to his father who worked for Disney, his childhood was marked with experiences like being on set for the filming of **Mary Poppins** and befriending the boy who was the voice of Mowgli in the original

Jungle Book. Now, he's scored the new Jungle Book directed by Jon Favreau, with whom Debney has worked on Elf, Ironman 2 and Zathura. Debney scored the film with over 100 orchestral musicians, a choir and ethnic instrumentation. This adds

to Debney's catalog, which includes Disney's *Hocus Pocus* and other Disney projects in television and film. For details, contact Ray Costa at RCosta@CostaComm.com.

Composer Lin-Manuel Miranda and the cast and crew of the Broadway hit Hamilton recently

celebrated the gold certification of the Grammy-winning original cast recording, which features The Roots' Ahmir "Questlove" Thompson and Tarik "Black Thought" Trotter. The cast and crew, as well as Atlantic Records' Chairman and COO Julie Greenwald, Chairman and CEO Craig Kallman, Head of A&R Pete Ganbarg and VP of A&R Riggs Morales, attended a plaque presentation at the New York's Richard Rodgers Theatre. After the show debuted last fall, it became the

second-biggest first-week seller ever for a cast recording behind **Rent**. The vinyl box collection dropped on April 15. Contact Jason.Davis@ AtlanticRecords.com for further information.

**Fuse Media** is launching a series of new digital initiatives including a mobile app, podcast network and expanded digital content, building on last year's Fuse re-launch as a national

One-of-a-kind, immersive music, art and avantgarde performance troupe **Lucent Dossier Experience** celebrated its 10-year anniversary of playing the **Coachella Music & Arts Festival** by premiering some never-before-seen technology that transported festival-goers through an

other-worldly vortex of curiosity. Looking ahead, the troupe will be at **DOLAB Presents: LIGHTNING IN A BOT-TLE** in Bradley, CA over Memorial Day weekend (May 25 - 30). Email agreenberg@msopr. com for full details.

Hear how **Tom Holkenborg** (aka **Junkie XL**) is expanding his limits as the score composer of the blockbuster movie **Deadpool** when it arrives on DVD and Blu-ray beginning May 10. Based on the **Marvel Comics** superhero, the movie follows the exploits of Wade Wilson (**Ryan Reynolds**), a former Special Forces operative

> who now works as a mercenary. More details at foxmovies. com/movies/deadpool.

Atlantic Records singer/songwriter/multi-instrumentalist Ty Dolla Sign recently presented his *Free TC* mini-documentary at Raleigh Studios in Hollywood.

The documentary challenges his brother **Gabriel "TC" Griffin's** imprisonment on a murder charge. Following the 15-minute documentary screening, directed by **Daniel Kaufman**, Ty joined five other panelists in a discussion led by

92.3's Big Boy.

For further information, visit dollasignworld. com.

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#### **Norihiko Hibino** Composer, Arranger, Saxophonist

Contact: Jayson @ ScarletMoon Productions.com Web: ScarletMoonProductions.com Most Recent: Bayonetta series

Award-winning Japanese composer Norihiko Hibino is among the newest additions to Scarlet Moon Productions' roster. Best known for his work on the *Metal Gear Solid* series, *Bayonetta* and *Bayonetta* 2, Hibino has his own sound production studio, GEM Impact, and also does work outside of games—he founded the therapeutic facility Hibino Sound Therapy Lab.

"It was actually mostly by chance that I ended up in the videogame industry," Hibino says. "Upon graduating from Berklee College of Music, I didn't have the resources to build my own personal studio with all the gear and software I wanted, so I was looking for a company to join where I could have access to it. It just so happened that KONAMI was the first company I joined, and I've been involved ever since."

Hibino says the same engineering and production skills are invaluable for both, but writing for games is purely for entertainment, while the Hibino Sound Therapy Lab is for the "physical, mental and spiritual well-being" of patients.

"In the beginning, working with KONAMI and GEM Impact, it was about making a living writing music. Hibino Sound Therapy Lab, on the other hand, is what's really in my soul. I believe exploring and creating therapeutic applications of music is my life's work," Hibino says.

He advises newcomers to hone their production skills and not necessarily adhere to their personal tastes—sort of. "I'd really like to see aspiring composers and newcomers focusing on mixing and mastering techniques to allow their music to stand out from a production standpoint," he says. "I don't recommend narrowing your path according to your personal desire. Be open-minded and challenge yourself with different kinds of projects to expand your horizon."



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## MIXED NOTES



*Music Connection* wrapped up another busy year at the South by Southwest Music Festival in Austin,TX, celebrating its 30th anniversary. We had the pleasure of speaking with Alexander Jean, Transviolet, Roland Corporation, Randy Jackson and many more about their experiences at the festival and how emerging artists can make the most of it! To view all of this coverage, visit musicconnection.com/mc-celebrates-sxsws-30th.





WOLFMOTHER





#### Two Memorable Nights with Iron Maiden

Iron Maiden opened up the *Book Of Souls* at The Forum for two nights in Los Angeles. The metal titans' two-hour show covered classics and new material, which kept audiences moving. Their U.S. tour lasted 10 shows, but the band will continue to tour through Europe, Australia and Asia through the beginning of August. Pictured (I-r): Dave Murray and Adrian Smith.

#### Deftones Storm Amoeba

Alt-metal mainstays Deftones took to the stage at Amoeba Records' cavernous store in Hollywood to play a brisk six-song set for a packed house. The event was a promotion for the band's eighth studio album, *Gore*, produced by Matt Hyde. Pictured is 'Tones frontman Chino Moreno.





# Never Shout Never Get Dancey in Orlando

Never Shout Never played an enjoyable variety of old and new material at the House of Blues in Orlando, FL. The crowd was dancing and singing along with frontman, Chris Drew (pictured), throughout the whole set. Join-ing NSN for the **Black Cat Tour** were Waterparks, Jule Vera and Metro Station.

## MUSIC CONNECTION

*Tidbits From Our Tattered Past* 



#### 1999-Prince-#23

In *Music Connection's* candid, in-person interview with the late great Prince Rogers Nelson he was crystal clear about his directive as an artist: "Do I need a hit record?" he asked. "Let's be real. Hit records translate to income, so they're always nice to have. But do I really need one? Does my existence hinge on me having one? Of course not."



#### 2001-Rage-#01

In addition to profiles of electro-dance guru Giorgio Moroder and a roundtable chat with A&R execs Eric Nicks, Stephen Ferrera, Craig Coburn and Michael Caplan, our feature-length Q&A with Rage Against The Machine's Tom Morello yielded this observation from the guitarist: "It's when you feel like you're going out on a limb that you tend to do your best work."



What started as an intimate acoustic set between childhood pals in London quickly transformed into a ferocious yet compassionate group of "folk meets grunge" musicians. Eventually signing with Dirty Hits Records provided a significant turning point for Wolf Alice in 2015, with the boom of several new and re-released singles including "Moaning Lisa Smile." Nominated for a Grammy for Best Rock Performance, the edgy tune was also featured in both popular American television series *The Leftovers* and *Arrow*.

After the release of two successful EPs (2013's *Blush* and 2014's *Creature Songs*) Wolf Alice intrigued critics with their full-length debut album *My Love is Cool* [June 2015]. With comparisons to Hole, Elastica and The xx, the band describes their own sound as "rocky pop." Wolf Alice have since been nominated for a slew of prestigious awards including a Mercury Music Prize, and were ultimately deemed last year's Best New Artist by iTunes.

As the band continues selling out major venues throughout the U.K., Wolf Alice—Ellie Rowsell (vocals, guitar), Joel Amey (drums, vocals), Joff Oddie (guitars, vocals) and Theo Ellis (bass)—recently embarked on an ambitious U.S. tour, including the Coachella Valley Music and Arts Festival in California. Great news, because life on the road is where 23-year-old founder and lead vocalist Rowsell feels most comfortable and inspired.

Despite the band's hectic touring schedule—they were gearing up for the Coachella festival when we spoke—*Music Connection* snagged the opportunity to speak with Rowsell on the thrills of performing live, creatively jamming with the boys and why vicious Internet trolls totally suck.



ments]. It was more like a necessary choice that, with time and courage, changed and evolved into more of a stylistic choice.

MC: Did you ever think that "Moaning Lisa Smile" would be such a huge hit, maybe having to do with the fact that there's strong guitar dominance throughout the song? Rowsell: No, I guess not really. Not taking the actual sound into consideration, simply it's one of the more accessible songs that we have. But I don't think we ever envisioned it'd do so well, especially in America. Just because it's hard to get exposure over there. It sort of threw us.

MC: Some already consider you as part of grunge's "post-revival," but how do you combat such genre labeling as the band continues growing? **Rowsell:** There's nothing you can really do about it. People will always try to categorize you because it's an easy way to explain what something sounds like. We were a bit grungy before we put our album out—I think the two previous EPs were a bit more grungy. I wouldn't consider us that now, but there's nothing you can do about it.

MC: What was it like working with Dirty Hit Records on your debut album—did you learn a lot having that extra support system?
Rowsell: I think we were really lucky with the whole recording concept. We'd been in the industry for quite some time, and yet had never really seen signs that anyone would see our drive. It was getting a bit frustrating, and Dirty Hits was the only label to be serious about us and offer a contract, which gave us so much creative freedom. They just guided us

"Do what comes natural to you. Don't be overly influenced by what other people

MC: Who manages the band and how did this partnership originally come about?

Rowsell: We're managed [with Stephen Taverner]

through a company called East City Management. We met them

through our booking agent. When we first started the band we had a friend who went to school for management and wanted to get into the music industry. So we initially had a casual friend manage us, but more people seem to come about once you have more experience.

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So when we ended up signing a record contract, that helped us get pointed in the direction of a team with a lot more experience. And that made us a little more reputable.

MC: How do you make these big career decisions as a group—is it a democracy? Rowsell: We're always talking and taking each other's advice seriously. I think the major lesson we've learned in this short career is to trust our gut. No matter how experienced one person is when returning to a certain thing, if it doesn't feel right, then just don't do it. Even if you end up being wrong and [the other person] right, you won't end up feeling frustrated and holding this grudge for the rest of your life. More or less, we work very well talking it out.

MC: Your lyrics are very personal-"The Wonderwhy" is a song that comes to mind-how does it feel letting fans in like that: is it difficult or more of a cathartic experience? Rowsell: When I wrote that, I really didn't know how many people would be listening to the song. So I guess I didn't think about it too much---how exposed the lyrics were going to be. But it is cathartic and that's why I try to make them a bit ambiguous, so you might not know 100% what I'm talking about necessarily. It's scary writing lyrics, knowing that your family and friends are going to hear them. That's the scariest part for me. They might not be so understanding or they could find out new things about you, and that could be most frightening.

MC: Give me an idea of your ideal writing sanctuary. Go back to the day you penned "Bros" where do you get inspiration and when do you feel most comfortable creatively? **Rowsell:** I actually don't write a lot in a sanctuary setting—I can't turn out songs like some artists do. I don't spend every day playing and I don't base my logic around that. Sometimes it could be weeks and then these things just come. I don't really look for inspiration—I wait for it to come. I can't really force it; I like things to happen naturally. I do get most of my inspiration from words or phrases that jump out at me, and then I'll build something around that. I'm always trying to read and observe new things.

MC: Just picking a song at random—let's say "Giant Peach"—how does a song like that actually come together as a collaborative effort and how does the band collectively come up with new material?

**Rowsell:** We're always kind of jamming and stuff—like the introduction to that song. For that we wanted to write something quite heavy, so we saw that as an opportunity to do so. I had an old song that we never used which I wanted to rewrite to combine the two ideas into one. And then it eventually turned into something massive. So that was a rather ideal collaborative effort, and it was fun to write that one.

**MC:** Compared to constantly touring, what was it like settling down and working in the studio. Do you prefer life back on the road?

#### Music Connec-

tion: "Fluffy" is such a great song that happens to be one of Wolf Alice's first recognized singles. Why did you eventually decide to add the electric elements and expand the band's sound instead of keeping things strictly acoustic?

Ellie Rowsell: I just wanted to play music in front of people. It wasn't so much that we said, "Oh, we just want to be doing acoustic music." I guess if you're a little bit afraid to expand your style, you do whatever is easiest. It's quite easy to take an acoustic guitar around to venues without having to buy amps or electric [instru-

Rowsell: I like being on the road and I actually find it quite hard to come off the road. We've been touring for so much of the time, it's hard at this point to stop it and come to a calm down. But on the other hand, to have a song that you can fully realize in a studio when it comes together the way you hoped it would-when you find you're happy with it, that's such a huge thing. You can't guite match the feeling of that--just imagine the great high.

MC: You guys have a great stage presence. How do you continue developing your live skills, especially when it comes to performing effectively at important festivals?

Rowsell: We've gotten to a level now where the songs that we're playing at the moment are so rehearsed. We're wondering how to take that to the next level. After playing the same songs for such a long time, you want to give [the fans] new experiences. That's something we're still trying to figure out, but we're quite loose.

Our shows are musically rehearsed, but we'll try to drop in a different song as long as the sound's good. We're easygoing with keeping it fresh.

MC: How will this upcoming leg of your U.S. tour be different compared to the previous one, as far as how the band presents itself onstage? Rowsell: Again, we'd like to change things, but I'm still not quite sure what we could change. We'd like to up our production value, but I'm not sure we have the budget for that. We look at performing more as just having a good time. We're more of a rock or indie band (or

whatever you want to call it), not a pop band that relies very much on production value. It's all sary evil-how do you avoid such negative about the four of us rocking out, and that should be enough.

MC: While touring, what is it like headlining one night and then opening for another band the next? Would you say that the opening slots are a good way to win new fans?

"After playing the same songs for such a long time, you want to give the fans new experiences."

Rowsell: It's a totally different ballgame. When we do support acts, we try to pick out new songs that we aren't so used to. Headlining shows are more performance-based. We really think about dynamics, whereas support shows are more about the "bang bang bang"-fun and energetic, not as heavy.

MC: The Internet sometimes feels like a necessocial media "drama" that many young artists get consumed by nowadays?

Rowsell: I find it so unattractive. People feel like they can just be so horrible online-it's one thing to be that in person, but online there's something deeply unattractive about it. I'm not going to pretend I don't read things about me on that medium.

It's still interesting to see what people are saying about us, and it's sort of working for us. We don't have too many negative comments or trolls after us or anything. But if a person's just being nasty, it's not a reflection of us, it's a reflection of them. I can take constructive criticism and I appreciate it, but trolls and all that kind of sh\*t is just a shame that speaks on our generation. It's embarrassing.

MC: You guys killed it at the NME Awards show. Theo expressed how he couldn't believe snagging an award when "nominated against some of our favorite people." How does that make the win even more satisfying? Rowsell: I don't think too much about award ceremonies-I think it's really nice to be nominated and it's nice to have a recognized celebration and to have people say good things at the end of the year. But I don't necessarily think there should be a winner. I think it should just stay at the nominations. That recognition of success is enough, rather than being like "and then there's a winner." It's kind of embarrassing.

Still, I always think about what were my favorite albums of the year, and it's nice to celebrate that, but I believe there shouldn't be a winner

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- "Moaning Lisa Smile" from the band's 2014 EP Creature Songs peaked at No. 9 on Billboard's Alternative Songs chart [August 2015] and was nominated for Best Rock Performance at the 2016 Grammy Awards.
- The band was deemed the "single most blogged about artist in the U.K." in 2013 by BBC Radio 6 Music.
- The name Wolf Alice is inspired by a short story featured in Angela Carter's collection of folk and fairytales *The Bloody Chamber*.
- The band signed to the U.K. independent record label Dirty Hit in 2014. Its roster of artists includes The Japanese House, The 1975 and Fossil Collective.
- Wolf Alice have a free tour app for fans who want to keep up with the band: itunes.apple.com/us/app/wolf-alice/id1094993217?mt=8

because there will always be people that like or dislike you for that. It's subjective and impossible to say.

MC: Even so, the band was also nominated for a Grammy this year. How did that feel? Rowsell: Of course it was gratifying—it puts things into perspective, that people think you're good. But at this stage, I don't really know what to think about it. I was just happy to enjoy the ceremony and get drunk.

MC: I know you get asked a lot about the name "Wolf Alice"—how it was inspired by Angela Carter's short story—but now that you're growing as a band, how have you come to really embody this persona and do you think it's still a good fit?

**Rowsell:** We get so much sh\*t for that now, I kind of wish we had a different name because I'm sick of people being like, "Oh, you should have made it wolf dicks." You know? Or they'll be like, "I thought you said Move Alice or Wolf Harris." Or something like that. Like, great, shut up! So, I'm kind of sick of it.

But I know deep down why I chose it. The imagery that comes up, regardless if you know the concept of the actual story, I'm interested and passionate about that. I'm really into that fantasy and mystical, sort of dark stuff. And that's what it kind of conjured up for me.

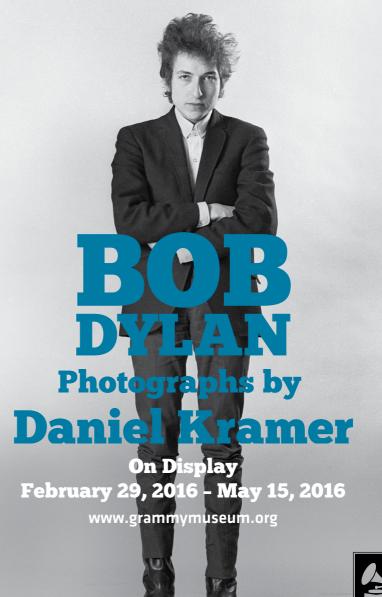
MC: Do you feel there's more pressure on you as a female musician? Does being surrounded by so much masculinity influence your creativity? **Rowsell:** I think being a female, surrounded by such energy does help. I get asked questions about this all the time, and I never really thought about it before. I guess I just go along with it, I'm not sure.

**MC:** Any quick advice for up-and-coming artists out there?

**Rowsell:** Yeah, I would say you ought to do what comes natural to you. Don't be overly influenced by what other people are doing. It's all about being different.

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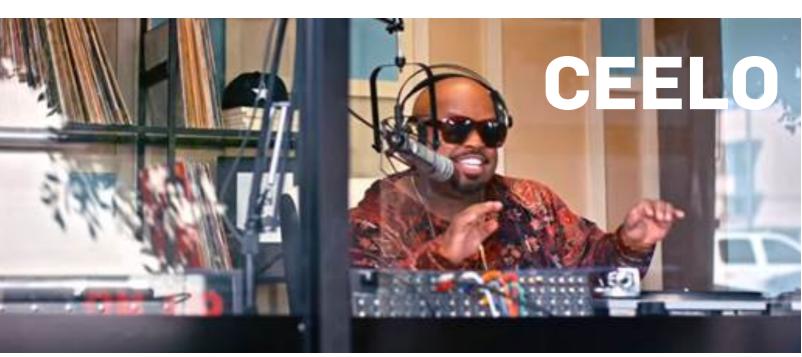


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# SINGERS ON SINGING 2016

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FOR THIS YEAR'S EXCLUSIVE, GENRE-BENDING ROUNDTABLE, we talked with vocalists who have sold millions of records (CeeLo Green), performed blistering sets at major festivals (Meg Myers); recorded an album with Gwyneth Paltrow (Pete Yorn), performed at Madison Square Garden (Local H's Scott Lucas) and attended the Berklee College of Music (Native Construct's Robert Edens) to find out how they keep their pipes in check. Halls honey-lemon drops or whiskey? Light a candle or call the doctor (Schulze)? Read on to see where these singers' preferences lie ... and why a certain mic is always a Shure bet.



#### CEELO GREEN

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CeeLo Green got his sea legs with revered Goodie Mob, catapulted into the mainstream as one-half of Gnarls Barkley, then launched a solo career that has netted him multiple Grammy Awards. With the five-times-platinum single "Fuck You" and a stint as a judge on *The Voice*, CeeLo turned himself into pop's most recognizable Soul Machine. His new single "Working Class Heroes (Work)" is featured on his recent solo album, *Heart Blanche*, and the soundtrack for *Barbershop: The Next Cut*.

# What makes you a better singer today than when you started?

Oh, just the experience, you know. Something or anything that you profess over the last 20 years you do become just that, professional. I think just time has allowed me to become better.

# What are the greatest challenges you've faced as a singer?

Well, there is strain, there is being stretched too thin sometimes, supply and demand can be very draining physically on the vocal and on the voice. You don't have to pace yourself, but of course it's always at odds with the emotionally involved being that you always want to give a 100% every time.

#### Have you had any formal vocal coaching? What effect did it have?

I have had just a small amount of vocal coaching. It is something that I tried later in my career maybe only a few years ago was my first time I ever sorted it out as an option. I do still practice a few techniques that I learned, so I found it to be very practical and resourceful for me, at times.

#### How do you warm up your vocal cords before a performance?

A little, through cold tea or raw ginger. Dr. Schulze's nasal spray is a singer's saving grace. It just depends on what you are using or what you have available for you at the time. I try to travel with an assortment of these things, and they kind of keep me going. Also a licorice mint called Vocal Zone. Those are really good too.

# What are your diet do's and don'ts (alcohol, caffeine, weed, etc.)?

No carbs, lots of water. As far as do's, do what you like. [Laughs]

# How do you shake out any stage jitters, or cope with red light fever?

Well, you do a get a bit of agitation, you know, just to know there is a packed house and they are anxiously awaiting you, and you just kind of want to put out a good performance. I think fear and anxiety and stage fright are three totally separate, different things, and I don't have [much of any of them]. Just a little natural anxiety [about] going onstage. But once I lock in, [it's] show time.

# How do you calm yourself and focus? Do you meditate before a performance?

Yes, I require a moment of quiet time and introspective-thought meditation. [I] dim the lights,



light a candle, just kind of sit a bit by myself for maybe 15 minutes or so, before a performance. And then, of course, we also christen each performance with a group prayer.

What are your favorite personal performances of yours, live and studio?

Oh, there're so many ... It's kinda hard to just pick one. That is a very difficult question to answer ... But I guess my *Grammys* performance with Gwyneth Paltrow was, I mean, way over the top and one of my all-time favorite performances I've ever done. Also, the *Billboard Awards* performance with the levitating piano later that year [in 2011]. Yes, both of those performances are two of my all-time best.

## What are a few of your favorite all-time re-

cordings or performances by other singers? Ah ... I love "Lovely Day" by Bill Withers because his voice is so unassuming and playful, if you will, but riveting and affective. And when he hits that long note ... [it's] really impressive, the breath control and resilience that it takes to hit a note like that. So that's one of the records that I love. So many to name.

#### What are your most memorable stage mishaps? And how did you deal with them?

I slipped and fell in front of an audience while I was speaking in Chicago once. I tripped over the light in front of a stage before. I had a few mishaps. And you just kind of laugh [at] it. You just keep going. The show must go on.

#### Are you loyal to specific types and brands of microphones and in-ear monitors? If so, which ones?

I use the Telefunken mic all of the time, that's probably the only mainstay. All of the other elements are kind of optional. I don't have a preferred monitor. Sometimes [it] is very difficult to be partial, and you are doing different venues that may not have the most high-end equipment available. So you just have to ... have good people around you or have the means to rent additional equipment.

#### **MEG MYERS**

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Balancing her inherent hard edge with a pop-hook sensibility, singer/songwriter

Meg Myers has made an impact on audiences thanks to her ability to deliver kinetic live performances. Touring now to promote her 2015 full-length album *Sorry*, Myers made her presence known most recently with two searing sets at the Coachella Festival in the desert of southern California.

# What makes you a better singer today than when you started?

That I'm not going through puberty anymore.

# What are the greatest challenges you've faced as a singer?

Getting a good monitor mix live.

#### Have you had any formal vocal coaching? What effect did it have?

When I was nine I took vocal lessons for a few months from Jean Holden in Toledo, Ohio. The last couple years I've worked with Eric Vetro. I've learned so many amazing warm-ups and techniques. He has also helped me so much with just letting go and not holding back. He's like my vocal Buddha.

#### How do you warm up your vocal cords before a performance?

I do the vocal warm-ups that Eric has taught me, usually from my phone. I also make sure to sing every day leading up to performances to keep my vocal cords strong. Throat Coat is a great tea to drink before performing as well. And I just make sure to stay hydrated in general.

#### What are your diet do's and don'ts?

I try to stay away from too much sugar. I eat veggies and protein and fruit. Before singing I stay away from spicy foods and too much dairy. This is all kinda hard to do for me on the road though.

#### How do you shake out any stage jitters?

I usually take a shot or two of something more on the clear side, or I have a glass of white wine. Sometimes I try and meditate or listen to something inspiring. I never go out and feel ready to perform though. My tour manager comes to get me and I'm like fuck, and then I go onstage and I'm like... Shit... Here goes.

#### Are you loyal to specific types and brands of microphones and in-ear monitors? If so, which ones?

Right now I use Ultimate in-ears, and I don't even remember the name of my microphone at the moment, but I like it. Whatever it is.

#### What are a few of your favorite all-time recordings or performances by other singers, and why?

Harry Nilsson "Without You"; Sinead O'Connor "Nothing Compares"; John Lennon "Mother." All of these, just so painful and beautiful.

Also love that Future Islands performance [of "Seasons (Waiting on You)"] on Letterman. I was just watching that last night.

# What are your favorite personal performances of yours, live and studio?

I sang that Michael Jackson song that was in *Free Willy* in the shower today and it sounded pretty good. •

#### **PETE YORN**

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It might feel like only yesterday that Pete Yorn soared to stardom with his debut record *Musicforthemorningafter*. But 15 years after the release of that gold album, the singer/songwriter—who notably collaborated with Scarlett Johansson for 2009's *Break Up*—endures. Yorn took a six-year hiatus from his solo career, during which time he performed with J.D. King as the Olms, but now he's back with his first solo album in six years, *Arranging Time*.

# What are the greatest challenges you've faced as a singer?

I've never been a technically great singer, but I just do my thing. Learning how to work dynamics and getting more consistent with my pitch is something I've developed over the years.

# Have you had any formal vocal coaching? What effect did it have?

Before I got signed, many years ago, I took two or three lessons with a well-known coach, but it wasn't for me. I felt I was losing what made me different. So I just went back to singing how I always did.

#### How do you warm up your vocal cords before a performance?

I just sing some songs and keep Halls honey lemon [drops] close by.

# What are your diet do's and don'ts (alcohol, caffeine, weed, etc.)?

No real diet do's or don'ts related to singing, but I find getting sleep is huge, and eating before early morning radio/TV helps to wake up my voice.

# How do you shake out any stage jitters, or cope with red light fever?

I've learned various approaches to disassociate from myself and just become hyper-present. And when those don't work, a nice shot of tequila or bourbon will!

# What are your favorite personal performances of yours, live and studio?

The Live from New Jersey record [from 2004] is pretty good. That was a fun show. In studio, the vocal on a song called "On Your Side" still hits me pretty hard. On the new record, the vocals at the end of "Shopping Mall" feel good. Typically, though, I don't really like to hear my own voice.

#### What are a few of your favorite all-time recordings or performances by other singers, and why?

"Somewhere Over the Rainbow," by Judy Garland [is] one of the greatest songs ever written [or] sung by one of the greatest singers ever to live. She was perfectly cast to capture the deep longing that lives within that song. It really moves me every time [I hear it].

#### What are your most memorable stage mishaps? And how did you deal with them?

Hmm, recently at my last London show, one of the amps to the PA blew up during our second song. I could tell something happened 'cause our sound guy was scrambling and all the energy seemed to suck out of the room. (But our monitors were working, so it wasn't totally obvious there was an issue to the band and me.) In my earlier years, I think I would've panicked a bit, but instead I just told some jokes and told everyone of the issue, and we went backstage



until it was fixed. We came back about 10 minutes later and continued the show, and I think that mishap actually made for a memorable moment. We ended up having a great night.

#### Are you loyal to specific types and brands of microphones and in-ear monitors? If so, which ones?

Whatever sounds good. Typically I let my sound engineer figure that stuff out. I trust him. •

#### SCOTT LUCAS

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Local H's Scott Lucas, a singer who is both salty and sweet, initially scoffed at the idea of playing *As Good as Dead* in its entirety on a tour celebrating its 20th anniversary. But he eventually came around, and the band—with original drummer Joe Daniels and newer drummer Ryan Harding in tow—is reliving the record's four modern-rock radio hits, including "High-Fivin' MF" and "Bound for the Floor."

# What makes you a better singer today than you were when you started?

When I listen to old recordings, I sound like a child. My voice has gotten fuller, and I prefer the way it sounds now. I prefer Robert Plant's voice when he got older and it matured into this thing that sounds like a man.

## What are the greatest

challenges you've faced as a singer? The way I sing, not losing my voice is the biggest one. I got mugged and choked in Russia [after a show in 2013], that was the scariest time. It was a long night, and I was walking somewhere I shouldn't have been walking ... and it was Russia. I got back home after waiting about a week or so, still nothing [happening with my voice]. I had a show at South By Southwest, and it was impossible to get through. This is how I make my living. [The voice is] a fragile thing.

# Have you had any formal vocal coaching? If so, what effect did it have?

There was a time when I lost my voice when



we were on tour with Stone Temple Pilots and were going to play Madison Square Garden. That was the first time I lost my voice. I was worried I wasn't going to have the chance to play that place again. I saw a guy who gave me tips and scales and pointers on how to warm up for the show.

#### How do you warm up your vocal cords before a performance?

I usually take a few minutes to stretch out my voice and get the junk out of there.

# What are your diet do's and don'ts (alcohol, caffeine, weed, etc.)?

The best thing for me is water and whiskey. Beer doesn't help. Tequila doesn't help. It's gotta be whiskey. If I'm feeling a little rough through a show, I'll take a couple of swigs, and it'll keep me going. You want to keep your vocal cords wet. There's something about whiskey that warms the vocal chords. gotten around to it. I only recently started using earplugs. I realized that I couldn't fucking hear anymore and always have the TV on too loud. It's something I should do but just ruins [the show] for me, so it's very tough. •

#### **ROBERT EDENS**

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Native Construct singer Robert Edens may be the greenest singer in this roundtable, with his metal band releasing their debut



# How do you shake out any stage jitters, or cope with red light fever?

You can still get nervous before shows, and that's fine. I don't think that's a huge problem.

# How do you calm yourself and focus? Do you meditate before a performance?

Haha, no. Usually the thing that helps me the most is going out there and setting my shit up, the pedals and everything. I get the sense then and there of what the room is like, go backstage, take a piss and go [on]. That's the ritual.

#### What are a few of your favorite all-time recordings or performances by other singers, and why?

Anything that Mark Lanegan sings is pretty amazing. Red Red Meat's Tim Rutili is pretty great. Nick Cave. Screamin' Jay Hawkins. Maybe the best recording ever is Little Richard's cover of "Brown Sugar." It's on this covers record he made and is just incredible. He's hitting the takes so hard and going into the red. He kills it.

#### Are you loyal to specific types and brands of microphones and in-ear monitors? If so, which ones?

I like Shure mics, the 58s, and we carry them around. I would be thrown off my game if I weren't able to sing with that microphone. I've been using it maybe forever. I don't use monitors. It seems like it's unusual; I just haven't album in April, but he's far from unqualified to participate. Edens and his two bandmates created the band in 2011 while studying at the esteemed Berklee College of Music—and managed to write, produce and record *Quiet World* all on their own.

# What makes you a better singer today than you were when you started?

I've been lucky enough to be exposed to many new experiences since I started singing that have helped me grow as a vocalist. Attending Berklee College of Music opened me up to so many new musical ideas and techniques. Another key factor is experience. It takes time to learn your voice and gain control over it, and I've been fortunate enough to have been exposed to a lot of music from a young age.

# What are the greatest challenges you've faced as a singer?

Currently, I'm finding my biggest challenge is learning to be a frontman. I'm normally a fairly reserved person, so getting out and trying to be charismatic onstage doesn't exactly come naturally to me.

#### Have you had any formal vocal coaching? What effect did it have?

I had many wonderful vocal instructors during my time at Berklee. Having the opportunity to work with so many experienced vocalists, each coming from a unique background, exposed me to so many different techniques and diverse stylistic approaches to my singing.

#### How do you warm up your vocal cords before a performance?

I'll generally go through a few basic exercises first (scales, arpeggios, slides) and loosen up the vocal muscles before singing through some of the material I'm about to perform.

# How do you shake out any stage jitters, or cope with red light fever?

The best antidote to jitters, I think, is simply experience. The jitters will always be there to some degree, but being confident and comfortable with your performance makes all the difference between harnessing that adrenaline and letting it control you.

# How do you calm yourself and focus? Do you meditate before a performance?

I find meditation to be extremely helpful, and will often take time to do a yoga routine before I perform. The stretching and mindfulness involved can do wonders for a performance!

# What are your favorite personal performances of yours, live and studio?

My favorite performances happen when I'm able to completely lose myself in the moment —when my world is just me and the music I'm performing. I find this much more attainable in the studio than in a live setting, but it's something I'm always striving toward.

#### What are a few of your favorite all-time recordings or performances by other singers, and why?

There are far too many to name, but virtually any performance by Freddie Mercury is mindblowing to me. It's always astounded me that he's able to sound so good and so in-tune on every recording before the days of digital audio and signal processing.

#### What are your most memorable stage mishaps? And how did you deal with them?

One that sticks out in my mind is when our stage laptop running Pro Tools crashed—our greatest fear as a band that has to rely on a backing track system. Luckily, the error occurred when I wasn't singing and I was able to get over and restart the Pro Tools session mid-song so our drummer could jump back in. Considering how much of a nightmare scenario that can be, we were so relieved that no one seemed to notice!

# Are you loyal to specific types and brands of microphones and in-ear monitors? If so, which ones?

As for a live mic, I've been using my trusty old Shure SM58 for as long as I've been performing. As a tough stage mic, I've been able to rely on it for many years. My first and only pair of in-ear monitors are the Westone UM Pro 10s. They provide solid, comfortable hearing protection as well as quality monitor playback; I'm very happy with them.

# Maintain an Online Fanbase

Today's fans aren't the same as they were five or 10 years ago. They're online, connected and crave a relationship with their favorite artists and brands. The options for interacting with your existing tribe—and attracting new fans often feel limitless, from your own website to a growing selection of social media channels spanning video, photos and text.

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• Invest in an "Owned" Channel. Whether

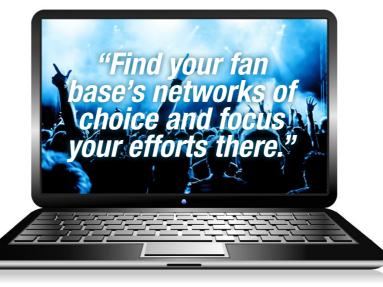
you're managing several bands, performing as an indie artist or already an established musician, "owned" digital properties—like your website or mobile app—are some of the best tools you can have. As the operator, you get full ownership

and control over the online experience, from creative content to insightful data on fans. The alternative? Relying solely on third-party discovery platforms to do things like publish your artist profile, build a press kit or launch email marketing campaigns. These services lack flexibility and often come with hefty fees for content you could easily post to your own website. And there's always a risk that a third-party app or site will ultimately shut down, taking with it the site presence you built. Instead, make your website a top priority, emphasizing fresh and exclusive content, and you'll have a robust, reliable medium for engaging online.

• Optimize Behind the Scenes. It's not just the things your fans see that matter. Choosing platforms that have templates to get you started but can't be customized to your needs (think Squarespace and Wix) is like cutting corners when recording an album. While less glamorous than social media stardom or releasing exclusive tracks, choosing a powerful web platform that maximizes your flexibility both today and in the future is essential. I'm a fan of open source publishing platforms like Drupal, which affords sitebuilders the community support and technology integrations they need to stay current, customize and get creative. Give Yourself a Crash Course in SEO.

When someone searches your band's name, what comes up first? If the first results are your Facebook page, YouTube videos or anything other than your own website, it's time for an SEO makeover. Proper Search Engine Optimization leads your fans where you want them to go—straight to the content you fully control. Odds are your fans will like you on Facebook and follow you on Instagram, but you don't want these platforms to be the first or only thing they see. First impressions matter. And Use Those Social Networks for

**Business.** Some major companies are partnering with YouTube content producers to sponsor music channels and expand artists' reach, like AT&T's partnership with Fullscreen. Artists today can join forces with these multi-channel networks for increased exposure. There are currently more than 20 multi-channel networks based in North America alone, and linking up with the right one can provide promotional, funding and audience growth support. Talent management and rights holding companies



• Ensure Fans Come Back. I've seen so many artist websites without an email signup list front-and-center. By gathering email addresses, you'll continually curate a list of fans eager to get updates on songs, tour schedules and more to their inbox. Instead of assuming fans will come back on their own, commit to sending out eye-catching, engaging email updates regularly. This approach will make them feel like part of an insider community and provide a teaser to click through and learn more. This approach has another advantage, too: it's far more cost-effective than paying to reach fans on Facebook, where the sponsored post experience is far from personal.

• Choose Social Networks Wisely. It is tempting to broadcast your presence on every platform available, but spread yourself too thin and you're bound to have one or two platforms that aren't the best representation of your brand. Instead, do some legwork to find your fan base's networks of choice and focus your efforts there. If your target audience is millennials but you don't know the first thing about Snapchat, it's time to study up. And get creative while you're at it—new platforms are popping up all the time. Who knows if your next social media video could lead to a record deal? Hey, it's happened before. that focus on signing talent from specific social networks (like Hello Society for Pinterest and GrapeStory for Vine and Snapchat) are also worth considering. • Let Algorithms

Help You. Spotify, Pandora and iTunes are becoming increasingly sophisticated in how they recommend music to fans. Services like Ditto Music and Tunecore ensure your tracks get to the right ears on these platforms by giving each song the metadata it needs, like copyright information, artist names and track names. Without that information, Spotify won't know if your track is perfect for a listener's Spotify Discover Weekly

playlist—and that future fan may never know your music.

#### Avoid Fan Interaction Burnout.

Congratulations—you've created a memorable digital presence that fans can't get enough of. Now you need to maintain it. Social media can become a full-time job, but platforms like Tweetdeck and Hootsuite let you plan out several days of posts in your spare time (like transit time between shows). Hootsuite even allows management by multiple contributors, which is great for band members looking to share online fan responsibilities. Always snapping photos for your personal Instagram account, but you're also in charge of a band account that's rarely updated? Instagram's new multi-account management tool lets you post to all of them without logging out of one and into the other. Managing pages for multiple artists? Facebook's Pages app allows you to do it from your phone.

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# **ARTIST PROFILE**

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# NIKKI Stringfield From Small-Town Girl to Big-City Rocker

A s a developing artist, launching a music career can be daunting. Everyone pays dues and hustles every day hoping to land the big gig or meet the right person that will ultimately change his or her life. Iron Maidens and Femme Fatale guitarist Nikki Stringfield is no exception, and when she sat down with *MC* recently, Stringfield was eager to share her experiences and offer the kind of career advice that can help any ambitious artist take their music to the next level.

Stringfield made the trek to Los Angeles in 2012 from a small town near Dallas, TX after graduating from the University of Texas at Austin. She spent the summer in the University of Texas in Los Angeles (UTLA) "study abroad" program, which introduces students to the entertainment business. There, she met instructor and Grammy-winning producer Jeffrey Weber, who encouraged her to attend the Winter National Association of Music Merchants (NAMM) Show in Anaheim.

Prior to NAMM in January 2013, the ambitious guitarist reached out to Schecter Guitars via Facebook inquiring to meet up. To her delight they invited her to their booth. "I went every single day and I met everyone at the company," says Stringfield. "Go on the last day—Sunday when most people have cleared out. You'll be one of the last people [companies] see, and they'll remember you more as opposed to when they're mobbed by a million people on Friday and Saturday."

A business relationship was established after NAMM between Stringfield and Schecter President Michael Ciravolo. "He gave me a [receptionist] job to help me stay here in L.A.," she recalls. "They took me in when I didn't know anybody in L.A., so it's a family kind of thing."

In addition to Ciravolo, Stringfield kept busy

making other connections with musicians, who later became fellow band mates and friends. "I'd go to local shows 'cause there are tons of musicians everywhere," she asserts. "Just get out and see what's going on. Put yourself out there. Go to Guitar Center! Sam Ash!"

Currently, Stringfield plays guitar in heavy metal tribute band The Iron Maidens and glam rock/metal band Femme Fatale, and with live shows being booked in the U.S. and overseas, the bands have to work hard to coordinate and not overlap. Before joining those bands,

# "Always go out of your comfort zone! It only helps you learn."

Stringfield was playing in melodic metal act Before The Mourning, who were good friends with The Iron Maidens. What started as mere friendship between bands soon blossomed into new opportunities.

"The Maidens needed a sub, so I learned a ton of songs and filled in for them," Stringfield recollects. "I filled in more and more until it turned [into] a full-time position!" Femme Fatale was the same story, and Stringfield has no regrets changing gears. "With my old band, as soon as I wasn't feeling it, I got out. So if you're not feeling it, don't push it."

Stringfield taught herself guitar and can play back songs by listening to them. In the past, she's attempted to take formal lessons but was constantly in and out, always busy. However, she yearns to learn music theory to further hone her craft, and it just might come in handy. When we spoke with Stringfield, she had just come back from a semi-blind audition for former One Direction star Zayn Malik. The opportunity was brought to her attention by a talent scout she met through Ciravolo and his wife, founder of Daisy Rock Guitars. Not much information was disclosed to Stringfield the night before the audition, and she found herself competing against guitarists who had attended music schools such as Berklee College. "That was one of the most nervewracking, out-of-my-element type things

I have ever done," she reminisces. "[The audition song] was three chords, super easy, but I've never performed to pop/R&B before."

After such an unnerving experience, Stringfield moves forward with new insight. "I wish I had listened to more styles of music like that," she reflects. "I would have looked at what other R&B guitarists do and their movements! But

that's how the industry is sometimes. It was a good experience, though. Always go out of your comfort zone! It only helps you learn."

Stringfield's most recent accomplishment was designing and releasing a signature guitar for Schecter (pictured), and she hopes to finish out the year with more touring and making an album with The Maidens' current lineup. On top of that she's also cultivating solo work while pursuing collaborations with friends and her boyfriend Brad Jurjens. "So basically, anything that's being thrown at me I'm like, 'Yes! I'll do it!" she says. "[But] as long as you enjoy doing it, that's the most important thing."

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Recordings Act of 1995 (DPRA) and the Digital Millennium Copyright Act of 1998 (DMCA). The establishment of these Acts meant that for the first time in history, American performers would be entitled to foreign and domestic royalties (albeit somewhat limited). These acts amended the original Copyright Act to provide performance royalties in digital media to copyright holders, featured performers and non-featured performers. Consequently, the American Federation of Musicians (AFM) and the American Federation of Television and Radio Artists (AFTRA) formed the AFM & AFTRA Intellectual Property Rights Distribution Fund (renamed the AFM & SAG-AFTRA Fund as a result of the merger between the Screen Actors Guild and AFTRA) to distribute these royalties to non-featured performers.

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# ALBUM REVIEWS

## Tiles

Pretending to Run Laser's Edge Producer: Terry Brown

Detroit-based prog-rock quartet Tiles have never shied away from musically ambitious and epic projects and compositions. Over their 20-plus year career they've released a catalog of live and studio works that have garnered the praise of everyone from Gene Simmons of KISS to Jethro Tull's lan Ander-

son. But, with their first album for Laser's Edge, they've upped the ante by giving the listener a double disc with an engaging storyline, meticulously arranged string and choral pieces, sweet vocal harmonies and tuneful jam-based rock, fusion and world beat sounds. Also there is an impressive guest list to round out the festivities. - Eric A. Harabadian

# No Malice

Movin' Weight (A Story from the Streets) Second Music

Producer: Various

Once a contributor to "dope boy" rap music, No Malice fka Malicious/Malice has released a soundtrack to a documentary on his life as a drug dealer struggling with the complexities of fame, fortune, family and friends and how he transcended it through Jesus Christ. This release is concise and

pulsing. Songs like "Best Believe" where No Malice aims to inspire others to become people of value despite adversity. Movin' Weight lets listeners know that there is a God in Heaven who loves them and if they are tired of carrying the weight of the world on their shoulders, then they can cast their burdens onto the Lord; thus Movin' Weight. - Adam Seyum

# Dario Chiazzolino

Red Cloud Tukool Records Producer: Tukool Records

Since his emergence in the late 2000s, critically acclaimed Italian-born guitar virtuoso Dario Chiazzolino has worked with many legendary jazz figures, including The Yellowjackets, Billy Cobham and Andy Sheppard. Inspired by an orchestral approach to jazz fusion, his latest offers colorful melodies

and harmonies, crisp and impossibly dazzling electric lines and improvisation and explosive interaction with pianist Antonio Farao, drummer Manhu Roche and bassist Dominique Di Piazza. Chiazzolino balances the spirited frenzy of a mostly original set (he includes Miles Davis' "Solar") with the warm acoustic ballad "Starry." - Jonathan Widran

# Andrew Bird

Are You Serious Loma Vista Recordings Producer: Tony Berg

The former Squirrel Nut Zippers violinist gets more personal than ever before, exploiting windswept lyrics bound by dramatic instrumentation to sizable effect. Guest appearances by Fiona Apple and Blake Mills spice up the proceedings while Bird maintains a somber beauty throughout.

Single "Capsized" elicits smiles, but there's plenty elsewhere that will generate waves of cathartic melancholy. Generous doses of contemplative, non-ironic listening will reveal a sophisticated delicacy, as the multi-instrumentalist's twisting compositions consistently unfold with the gentility of a lotus flower submerged in hot tea. - Andy Kaufmann

# Parguet Courts

Human Performance **Rough Trade Records** Producer: Parquet Courts

The new Human Performance LP offers up some immediately galvanizing guitar-based rock & roll. The vocals are often reminiscent of Jonathan Richman's, whose first Modern Lovers LP was a protopunk classic with strong Velvet Underground sensibilities. Parquet Courts continue this legacy of compel-

ling music, and perhaps they've absorbed some Beck, Wire and Sonic Youth. Whatever the case, this might be one of the best records you've heard in a while. Listen to these guys offer up inspired humor ("Dust"), a great guitar jam (see "One Man, No City") and even get beautiful ("Steady On My Mind"). Listen now! - David Arnson

# **Michael Lington**

Second Nature **Copenhagen Music** Producer: Barry Eastmond

Contemporary Urban Jazz goes full-on STAX yet again, as one of the genre's most soul-fired and muscular alto sax players expands on the high octane, old-school energy exploration of his Memphis influences he started with Barry Eastmond on his previous set Soul Appeal. With the lone



cover, a feisty, horn and organ drenched jam on "Soul Finger" leading the way, Lington embarks on a grooving burst of originals with a retro-modern sensibility. He surrounds his towering horn leads with bright, irrepressible bass lines, crisp guitar licks, stomping grooves and gospel touches, courtesy of an all-star cast including Booker T. - Jonathan Widran

# **Darrell Scott**

Couchville Sessions Full Light/Thirty Tigers Producer: Darrell Scott

Legendary Nashville singer/songwriter Darrell Scott returns with his first solo album in four years. And on his latest, his emotionally vibrant vocals matched with tasty musicianship and sharp, witty lyricism, have lost none of their charm and impact. Along with Scott's original songwriting he's

also included material by artists that influenced him, such as James Taylor, Hank Williams, Townes Van Zandt and Johnny Cash. The 14 songs naturally cover a wide cross-section of personal themes, like the demise of relationships in "Time to Go Away" and the humorous and lighthearted "Loretta." This is a master storyteller in his element. - Eric A. Harabadian

# **Rachel Sage**

Choreographic MPress Records Producer: Rachel Sage, Andy Zulla

Concept albums can be tricky. The artist must impart her vision to the listener without the requisite backstory. Inspired by her years as a student with The American Ballet Theater, Sage, on her 13th album, attempts to marry her love of music and dance. "Heaven Is A Grocery Store" kicks

off the theme nicely with a River Dance feel and several tracks with a waltz feel. Ultimately, though, as the CD unfolds, the concept weakens and what remains is a collection of respectable, diverse songs and treatments. When you get down to it, most of these songs provide a musical landscape that one can choreograph. - Ellen Woloshin





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# Roanoke

Contact: stephanie@thecatalystpublicitygroup.com Web: roanokeband.com Seeking: Label, Booking, Film/TV, Mgmt Style: Americana/Folk

Taylor Dupuis & Joey Beesley spearhead these excellent pickers whose hi-touch music busts out the mandolin, fiddle and organ on hooky material that is rustic and homespun. The almost a-cappella "Jordan" makes Biblical references in a song about riding a cool, cleansing current back to a better place. "The Light" could be ideal for a rom-com movie sequence (depicting, say, a guy and a girl dancing together by a starlight campfire). On "Goodbyes," whose theme is about avoiding the sorrow of parting, the band's weakness is most evident: Dupuis' voice sometimes overpowers that of her cohort Beesley, and their harmonies and unison singing are inconsistent. Nevertheless, there's plenty to praise here.

# Kylie Odetta

Contact: Lori@kvlieodetta.com Web: kylieodetta.com Seeking: Booking Partner, Film/TV, Publishing Style: Indie/Pop, Singer/Songwriter

With her hooky choruses, sultry voice and superb production by Matt LaPlant, this artist is working at a high level reminiscent of Lorde. Odetta's material is well suited to her gifts at the mic, which is evident in "Waiting Game" where she's elevated rather than overwhelmed by the complex percussion effects. "My Love," in which she sings to her lover of being "your queen," enhances the regal theme with a lush arrangement. This is Odetta's most commercial song and would grace a film or TV sequence. She's at her most breathy and confidential in "Gasoline" where the singer pulls out all the stops in a song with obvious visual appeal. Above all, these atmospheric songs boast strong chorus hooks.

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## Ajia Clark

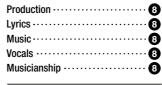
Contact: steelysajia@gmail.com Web: steelysajia.wix.com/ajiaclark Seeking: Label Style: R&B, Soul, Jazz, Neo-Soul

Oh so soothing and soulful is this artist, backed by a combo that brings expert support. While the jazzy, complex, syncopated "Soul Train" will impress the more discriminating listener, it is on her simpler pop/soul outings that Clark and her band really thrive, such as on the sultry "Ooo La La"-it oughta come packaged with a glass of red wine and a sexy lover. "He makes me feel so good," Clark coos, and we believe her. Best of the bunch is "What Am I To Do," which establishes an infectious groove and keeps on hitting it. Clark can seduce effortlessly; her next step vocally might be to venture out of her comfort zone and develop an ability to hit an occasional high note that will blow us away.

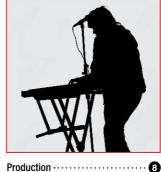


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## Gussie Miller

Contact: pr@artismusicai.com Web: gussiemiller.com Seeking: Label, Mgmt, Film/TV Style: Pop, Neo-Soul, R&B

Miller's versatile voice impresses us, mainly on the higher notes, and he wisely feeds that strength in his recordings. "What More Can I Say" (with its Stevie/Prince funk groove) and the playful "Wantin' You" (with its icy keyboard tones) show a distinct '90s influence, especially in the latter's rap interlude. A crafty writer, Miller deploys deft bridges and key changes that add dimension along with an occasional horn solo. But it's the gospel powered "The Arms of Love" that really moves us, gives us goosebumps, in fact. Here Miller takes you to church, but with universal lyrics that avoid preachiness and embrace a powerful vision of love's triumph over loneliness. Whew, just beautful.

# Madeline Smith

Contact: pennielee@att.net Web: madelinesmithofficial.com Seeking: Booking Style: Country, Pop, Bluegrass

With memorable hooks, relatable lyrics and a voice that packs a punch, 20-yearold singer/keyboardist/guitarist Madeline Smith shows very good chops for some-one her age. "Stay" has a familiar theme of pain and hurt stemming from a busted relationship. Nothing new there, but it is expertly arranged and performed nevertheless. It's on "State of Mind" and "Catchin' Fireflies" that the artist truly excels. The sassy "State" rocks out (a la Carrie Under-wood) on a sing-along tune that celebrates the country community, while "Fireflies" drives home its carefree chorus with a message about life's simple pleasures. Already a strong singer, we'd love to see Smith push her voice even higher.

## KREB

Contact: mitchellberkmusic@gmail.com Web: kreb.bandcamp.com Seeking: Label, Film/TV, Booking Style: Instrumental

Aussie composer KREB shows a solid ability to craft instro themes that could be put to a variety of uses. His formula: each composition's moody, evocative intro is soon injected with a steady beat that develops in complexity. The sad, melancholy march "The Dude Gambler" could serve as a foundation for someone to rap/flow over, conveying tales of sorrow and hard times. Though not as coherent, we dig "Devil in the Corner' for its unique sounds (exchoplexed keys, neo-horns, synth-claps, an air-raid siren) and symphonic grandeur. We were less taken with the simple synth exhalations of "Locomotive," though this one could be just right for an EDM fest's chill-down chamber.

Music Connection's executive committee rates recorded music on a scale of 1 to 10. Number 1 represents the lowest possible score, 10 represents the highest possible score. A final score of 7 denotes a solid, competent artist. For more information, see Submission Guidelines on the next page.



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## Young Cuda

Contact: cudakid8@yahoo.com Web: artistecard.com/CudaEPK#!/musics/91747 Seeking: Label, Booking, Film/TV Style: Urban, Hip-Hop, Trap

"Is She the Captain of the Twerk Team?" That's what Cuda and guests want to know on "Twerk Team," which like the catchy "Dance For Me" and "Hotel" (definitely not a Ritz Carlton) delivers seamless mic interplay and an eerily FX'd track that sets a creepy, edgy tone for play-by-play lyrics about strippers and their freaky antics. We dig the snakey, mysterious keyboard riffs that wind their way through these raunchy X-rated tracks about dirty deeds done to an eerie beat. Young Cuda's spellbinding music, his depiction of an illicit underworld that's dense and thick with sex, violence and threat, has a cinematic quality that makes these songs ripe for placement in film sequences.

# White Collar Crime

Contact: jonnytb55@hotmail.com Web: facebook.com/WhiteCollarCrimePunkNYC Seeking: Label, Booking, Film/TV Style: Punk, New Wave

Been a while since we heard a band namecheck Bertrand Russell, but that's typical of WCC, a brainy, guitar-less punk four-piece led by Hicks whose agit-prop lyrics and confrontational singing style has echoes of B-52s' Fred Schneider and Gang of Four's Jon King. "No Conspiracy" busts out of the gate at full gallop, the bass and keys handling each twist and turn admirably. An effective changeup is "Waltz for Rachel" where Hicks can be touchingly melodic and abruptly scalding. This entertainingly subversive music demands your attention. Not for everyone, we can imagine WCC playing an art gallery for aerosol artistes. Precocious, socially aware art nerds with a taste for mischief will love these guvs.

Auburn Row Contact: across7652@gmail.com Web: facebook.com/auburnrow

Seeking: Booking, Radio, TV Style: Rock/Alternative

This foursome led by Alex Cross perform with prog-rock precision, delivering insanely accurate flurries of notes on these impassioned, sometimes strange, always challenging tunes fueled by the anguish of busted relationships. With a whining, Geddy Lee-like tone, Cross sings with accusatory intensity on "Forever and Always." Then he's reflective on "A Million Lies" whose hushed, heartfelt piano break is especially affecting. For all the virtuosity on display, we were most impressed by the more understated "Out of Time," a poignant song whose soulful subtleties are easier to absorb. Auburn Row has more work to do before their execution reaches the high altitude of their ambition.







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## **Smoke Season**

Contact: amanda@lafamos.com Web: smokeseason.com Seeking: Label, Film/TV Style: Indie-Electronic

Lots and lots of trancy atmosphere inhabits the work of this ambitious duo, whose Gabrielle Wortman has a voice whose range and power allows her to deliver everything from a sassy growl to a playful purr. "Loose" almost overwhelms her with its densely layered track, one that's meant to conjure a vivid dreamscape. Same goes for "When The Smoke Clears" in which Wortman repeats that phrase frequently as if it's wishful thinking. "Santa Rosa" showcases some beautiful guitar reverb and Wortman's voice, but is again a song whose ambitions undermine its result. There's just too much going on in these recordings, whose complex beauty can only be enhanced by overall simplification.

## **The Steepwater Band**

Contact: todbowers@gmail.com Web: steepwater.com Seeking: Booking, Film/TV, Distribution Style: Blues Rock

Dudes can play. Having logged lots of miles, these well-seasoned road dogs' musicianship—guitars, bass, drums—really shines on songs like "Shake Your Faith," whose wall of guitar-snarl evokes Neil Young at his grungiest. The solo here is particularly well-structured, a strength that we find throughout the band's work. "Break" has a cool, eerie organ tone, but the song's insistent carnivalesque hook wore thin on us pretty quick. The laid-back "Bring On The Love" echoes classic Buffalo Springfield, and its guitar solo is again a thing of beauty. The downside to this and any band is that its singer takes a back seat to everything else; and sometimes the sound mix-favoring the axes--does him no favors.

## John M

Contact: john@johnm.com Web: johnm.com Seeking: Booking Style: Americana

Singer/songwriter John M is a thoughtful lyricist and a skilled producer who's got a country-blues-rock sound powered by an amplified acoustic guitar that really zings. "Home Invasion" shows the artist proclaiming the guitar as his weapon of choice. Laced with a front-porch fiddle, "Words" is an earnest, heartfelt homily ("words mean something!") whose Jesus-themed lyrics are direct to a fault. As straightforwardly sincere as he is, M has a singing voice that proves not to be as strong an instrument as it could be. Too often he sounds like he's straining. Fortunately, his songs sometimes possess a nice sing-along quality, as in "O.Y.O", where the audience could readily join him for the rousing choruses.

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# LIVE REVIEWS

#### Cody's VivaCantina Burbank, CA

Contact: therunningjumps@gmail.com Web: therunningjumps.com The Players: Joel Martin, lead vocals, guitar; Sid Jordan, bass, vocals; Todd McDearman, keyboard, guitar, vocals; Dave Johnstone, drums.

Material: The Running Jumps' brand of jangle pop is heavily inspired by '60s British and American power-pop groups like The Kinks and The Zombies along with '80s influences XTC and Jellyfish. Featuring pop melodies, chiming yet offbeat guitar riffs, and straightforward song structure, the band navigated their mostly original set seamlessly; confident in, and having fun with the material.

**Musicianship:** As veterans in the music business, The Running Jumps are skillful players, fully invested in the process. Martin's guitar playing sets the power-pop vibe while Johnstone's drum work packs a punch, prompting Martin to warn the crowd, "If you were paying by the drum lick tonight, you'd be in trouble!" The flawed areas occurred due to some rough harmonies and sound mix issues, which led to vocals getting drowned out and an overpowering bass line at times.

Performance: Playing the prime time slot in the venue's back room, the band got the mostly full-house crowd engaged and moving with their upbeat performance, starting with The Beatles inspired "I Hope You're Feeling Fine." Martin relished his time on stage, interacting with the audience and his bandmates, which led to a friendly, laid-back

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vibe. The rest of the set spanned a mishmash of styles and influences, ranging from prog-rock sounds like Yes and Rush to more power-pop in the vein of Cheap Trick. The head-scratcher of the night goes to the Iron Maiden cover, "Sanctuary," which came off much too saccharine without the necessary Bruce Dickinson, made-for-metal vocals.

**Summary:** The Running Jumps are more than capable musicians, clearly enjoying what they do and bringing that positivity to the performance.

The handpicked musical lineup, however, did not do them any favors, as the opening act was a moody (albeit talented) singer/songwriter who provided an odd juxtaposition to the jangly pop style that followed. It took the band a few songs just to revive the energy in the room.

Overall, while a talented bunch, The Running Jumps did not present a show that stood out as exceptional, a key factor that the band will need to address if they hope to advance in this industry.

- Grant Stoner

#### The Hotel Café Hollywood, CA

Contact: louis.dadamio@sacksco.com Web: maxjury.com

The Players: Max Jury, vocals, keyboards, acoustic guitar; Stacy Harden, bass; Nolan Bryan, guitar; Aaron Steele, drums; Jessica Childress and Ashleigh Haney, backing vocals.

Material: Though he's clearly influenced by different genres, Max Jury is first and foremost a singer/songwriter who strives to create music whose appeal goes beyond the ear. His earlier work embodies the hallmarks of his lowa youth, mainly country music, but he toys with combining indie-alternative and soul elements to create this vibe-y Americana indie-pop hybrid.

This artist's heavily piano-infused tracks are light yet melancholy, which can be heard in his debut album's lead single "Numb."

Musicianship: This artist is still learning what works and what doesn't work for him musically, but he's not afraid to show multiple facets of himself. Jury uses his soft-yet-powerful vocals to shine above his instrumentation just enough without being overpowering, similar to Augustana, A Great Big World and even Gavin DeGraw. Lyrically, he's inspired by great songwriters like Bob Dylan and Paul Simon and attempts to embody their styles of writing.

**Performance:** Max Jury drew a decentsized audience for his early set at The Hotel Café and focused on not only previewing his



upcoming album, but showcasing his past work to those who had not seen him before.

Starting with current single "Numb," Jury was aided by a backing band and vocalists who added to the haunting and gospel-like tone. As great as his backing band was, Jury was almost overpowered by them. Only until he was on his own for the somber lullabyesque "Great American Novel" was he able to mesmerize the audience with beautiful piano technique and echoing vocals.

Jury traded his piano for a guitar for the last

two songs and ended the night with a radiofriendly indie-pop track from his soon-to-bereleased debut *Beg and Crawl*.

Summary: Last year Max Jury performed supporting dates on Lana Del Rey's tour, so his career has already gained traction. His distinctive country/soul/alternative hybrid makes him well worth a listen and gives this artist a chance to stand out from the crowded and highly competitive singer/songwriter pack. – Heather Allen



Catalina Bar & Grill Hollywood, CA

Contact: moyerpr@earthlink.net Web: alexisgershwin.com The Players: Alexis Gershwin, vocals; Steve Rawlins, piano; Randy Landis, bass; Bob Leatherbarrow, drums; Rusty Higgins, saxophone, flute; Sarah Brandon, vocals; Will North, vocals; Kara Shaw, vocals.

Material: The niece of legendary songwriters George and Ira Gershwin, Alexis Gershwin

#### Middle East Cambridge, MA

Contact: info@dsrocks.com Web: blackdiamondsband.com The Players: AJ Marks, vocals; Nick Calnan, drums; Henry McIntyre, guitar; Wolfgang, bass.

Material: Established in February 2009, Black Diamonds united at just 7, 8, 10 and 11 years old. As such, they've been declared the world's youngest professional band by Guinness World Records. Presenting a mix of originals and covers, their hard rock style incorporates influences spanning everything from classic rock to hip-hop and pop, citing acts like Maroon 5, The Who, The Strokes, Guns 'N Roses, A Day to Remember and more as favorites.

Musicianship: Black Diamonds demonstrate unexpected levels of competence. Calnan's drums pound with authority while McIntyre's guitar licks scream tasty. Youngest member Wolfgang plucks the low end like a boss while lead singer AJ Marks, while not an amazing vocalist, displays a timbre that lands gracefully between post-punk and alternative yowling.

When Calnan suffered technical difficulties, the jam never wavered, a sign of how seriously they take their craft. First, McIntyre physically pounded on a cymbal, then they stirred the audience to clap along before falling smoothly back into the groove.

**Performance:** Unlike many, these Haverhill, MA natives have mastered the art of presentation. Their drums boast a clear and attractive logo.

has a powerful connection to their legacy. Under the sensitive yet adventurous direction of Steven Applegate, her heartfelt, alternately graceful and swinging 16-song romp through cherished classics includes everything from a dramatic take on "S' Wonderful" and the sly and playful "Naughty Baby" to lush renderings of "I've Got A Crush On You" and "Someone To Watch Over Me." At one point, the spotlight turned to her entertaining and harmonically versatile singers, who alternated lead vocals on "The Gershwin Medley," which included "(I've Got) Beginner's Luck," "Shall We Dance" and "Who Cares?"

**Musicianship:** All great jazz singers know the value of crafty, resonant arrangements and thoughtful, dynamic support, and Gershwin's inviting vocals (with moments of breathy grace and higher points conveying deeper intimacy and connective power) were enhanced by an ensemble of L.A. stalwarts. Landis and Leatherbarrow provided pocket grooves and percussive swing, while Rawlins offered wistfulness and lively soul on the keys. Higgins chimed in beautifully with colorful sax solos and gorgeous flute harmonies.

Performance: While Gershwin's connection to the material and her wonderful interaction with the band made for a mostly engaging show, its ultimate promise seemed slightly unfulfilled. Considering that she has personal family stories that only she can tell, it would have been wonderful to be treated to contextual anecdotes about Ira and being raised in Gershwin world. Without that, it came across as a reasonably entertaining but all too quick run through "greatest hits."

Summary: Gershwin has dedicated her musical life to celebrating great musical treasures of the 20th Century, and her heart and soul are in these songs. She conveyed this passion with a spirited show featuring A-list cohorts. But she would benefit by telling personal stories that would set her apart from anyone else covering these tunes. I hope that one day she will perhaps incorporate those into a book so the world can know the deeper places of her heart. – Jonathan Widran



They explicitly name each member and introduce each song. Most impressive, Marks outshines seasoned musicians who've been gigging nearly as long as he's been alive in the stage presence department. Jumping in unison is put to good effect, not overdoing what could easily feel hokey and contrived. Regrettably, each member wears black, muting their overall visual impact.

Summary: Having toured locales as far flung as Georgia, Ontario and Berlin, Black Diamonds

possess abilities and experience beyond their years. What's holding them back is their derivative nature, diverse though their influences may be. They need to dig deeper to find their uniqueness, which they're obviously destined to do. Until then, it's a pleasure witnessing youth, both on stage and off, earnestly engaged in the local concert community. If this performance represents the future of rock, it's in no danger of fading away.

Andy Kaufmann

# LIVE REVIEWS

Whisky A Go Go West Hollywood, CA

Contact: joshlergner@pcmlive.com Web: SlantMusic.net The Players: Fahim Zaman, vocals, lead guitar; Munir Haque, rhythm guitar; Jimmy Lee, drums; Josh Chastain, bass.

Material: A hard rock/metal band from Los Angeles, Slant delivers crafty, well-written songs that drive rhythm to your soul. Time and effort have been invested in the songs, especially standouts like "No Regret" and "Wasted." Both are powerful and hard-driving with fairly complex, dynamic rhythms that incorporate melodic and well-placed lyrics that make you want to "bang your head."

**Musicianship:** These guys have been honing their skills for a bit, evident from their cool, selfassured presence. They are fun to watch as the rhythm guitar and bass guitar run from one side of the stage to the other while Lee twirled his sticks and kept the beat like he was born with them in his hands.

Zaman, guitar in hand and mic to face, played multifarious rhythms, keeping the music intact while belting out lyrics and making it look easy amid the chaos.

**Performance:** Slant came out dressed in uniform, all wearing red. Was it in support of our troops or to show that they were hot? Possibly both, but for sure the latter. Not only did Slant play their music well, they played with the



audience in a confident and elfish manner to not to detract from the music's impact.

Slant left no one untouched—the upstairs, the downstairs, the bars and even outside. Haque and Chastain would switch sides and vivaciously dig at the crowd to make noise and get louder.

**Summary:** Though less progressive and more straightforward, Slant is a hard rock/metal band in the style of Tool. Great rhythms intertwine with melodic guitars and lyrics then mix with

coltish, onstage antics to make for a fun, pleasurable experience.

Even if you're not into the rock/metal sound, Slant makes you like it with melodic rhythms and catchy melodies. They also present a medieval vibe that drives the rhythm section and vocals alike and draws the listener closer to each song.

A great listening and visual experience, it's no surprise Slant are playing bigger and bigger venues, not to mention a couple of European tours. – *Pierce Brochetti* 



#### Feinstein's 54 Below New York, NY

Contact: namedia11235@gmail.com Web: olegfrish.com

The Players: Oleg Frish, vocals; Allen Farnham; piano, musical director; David Ephross, bass; Jack Cavari, guitar; Bob Millikan, trumpet; Birch Johnson, trombone; Lawrence Feldman, sax; Allan Schwartzberg, drums; Gary U.S. Bonds, guest vocalist.

Material: Born in Russia into a musical family, Oleg Frish was immersed in music from a young age, where, despite the iron curtain, he managed to become well versed in The American Songbook, rock & roll, jazz and swing. Considered a historian, he has become an ambassador of the music he reveres, a role he has parleyed into a radio and TV personality and eventually, performer. One could describe Frish as a male "chanteuse" with a repertoire traversing several genres over four decades showcasing songs like "On The Sunny Side Of The Street," "The Things We Did Last Summer" and "Hello Dolly."

Musicianship: Frish's innate musicality is most evident in his phrasing, which is natural and intuitive. Wisely adhering to material that serves his voice best, he does not step out of his vocal comfort zone, which keeps his performance consistent. Frish assembled a world-class band spearheaded by Alan Farnham delivering nothing short of great playing and supportive arrangements, which paired well with Frish's vocal style.

Performance: Supported by a top-shelf band, Frish took the audience on a journey, sometimes in several of the 15 languages he sings in. Entertaining and informative best describe this show with a well-laid out set and plenty of backstories to share. Frish was on stage for an hour and 30 minutes (barring a break to bring up special guest artist Bonds for a couple of numbers) filling the time with relevant content. Frish's reverence for the artists he admires was at times a bit excessive considering the fact that this was his show. Ask almost every artist and they will name several mentors that they hold in high esteem.

When Frish sang a rendition of "The Things We Did Last Summer" he became a bit unnerved by Helen Merrill's presence in the audience. He re-started the song, which was a human and appealing moment and proceeded to pull out one of his best numbers. On the other hand, capitalizing on the immense love he has for many artists (while also demonstrating keen marketing savvy), Frish recently released an album of duets entitled *Oleg Frish: Duets With My American Idols*, some of which include Melissa Manchester, Gary U.S. Bonds, Lainie Kazan and the late Ben E. King.

Summary: Oleg Frish is an interesting study in intelligence, good taste and consummate entertaining and has earned the right to fully own that. He has a profound understanding of the genres in which he performs and, above all, an enthusiasm and affection for material that should never be forgotten.



#### The Grammy Museum Los Angeles, CA

Contact: contact@TheVignatis.com Web: theVignatis.com

The Players: Tracy Vignati, vocals, clarinet; Fabrice Vignati, vocals, guitar; Hal Rosenfeld, drums; Geoff Rakness, upright bass; Jay Leach, pedal steel.

Material: The Vignatis have a well-mixed selection of music spanning genres including

jazz, rockabilly, big band, swing and pop. Nicely crafted tunes that take you through the '40s, '50s and '60s but elicit the feeling you've just seen the Brian Setzer Orchestra. Uplifting tracks like "It's Gonna Be A Better Day," "Little Things You Do" and cover "Chicken Fried" by The Zakk Brown Band invoke thoughts of what everyone goes through in life and everything will be alright.

Musicianship: Fabrice Vignati showed off his well-rehearsed guitar artistry and

craftsmanship. Tracy Vignati played the clarinet, and although a little weak at times, it adds a pleasant and appealing dimension. "Saint-Tropez Twist" stands out as an exceptionally well-played, well-written song that showcased Fabrice's versatility on vocals and Tracy's clarinet. Both vocals are strong and won over the audience from the get-go.

The backing band stole the show on "Minor Swing" as they took turns entertaining the crowd, ripping solos. Rosenfeld, Rakness and Leach all add a new dimension, improvising on cue as well as performing their parts flawlessly.

Performance: Everyone was confident and in command throughout the show. Good stage presence with a tinge of cockiness combined for a splendid visual and audio display of fine musicianship. The performers maintained good audience interaction and it didn't hurt that everyone was well-dressed and upbeat.

A Q&A session added a unique perspective as The Vignatis were asked personal questions, and they graciously opened up as to how they met (they are married) and how the pair have fared on their journey. They also discussed the naming of one of their instruments.

Summary: A clarinet/guitar duo with a backing band, The Vignatis deliver fabulous vocals on great tunes. Superb sound and mix at the Clive Davis Theatre in the Grammy Museum and fun, inspiring songs made for a pleasant afternoon of music. If you're into Brian Setzerinspired bebop, optimistic and hopeful, lyricdriven songs, The Vignatis are worth a listen. -Pierce Brochetti

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CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, LOS ANGELES 5151 State University Dr. Los Angeles, CA 90032 323-343-3000 Web: www.calstatela.edu Program: varied undergraduate music studies/ performance program Degree: B.A. Cost: please call or see web for info Notes: university enrollment required

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CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSIT NORTHRIDGE 18111 Nordhoff St. Northridge, CA 91330 818-677-1200 E-mail: music@csun.edu Web: www.csun.edu Contact: Elizabeth Sellers, Chair Pereneru & Albergo Pusic, Pracedo Contact: Elizabeth Sellers, Chair Program: A diverse music program. Majors include music business, jazz performance, classical performance, music therapy, education Degree: B.A./B.M., M.A./M.M. Duration: 4 years for B.A./B.M., 2 additional years for M.A./M.M. Cost: please call or see web for info Notes: University enrollment required; Contact music denactment for music department for audition dates.

#### CAZADERO PERFORMING ARTS CAMP

PC. Box 7908 Berkeley, CA 94707 510-527-7500 Fax 510-527-2790 E-mail: david@cazadero.org Web: www.cazadero.org Program: Since 1957, our camp has been providing the best in musical education and

performances. Cost: please call or see web for info

#### CHAPMAN UNIVERSITY CONSERVATORY OF MUSIC

Or MUSIC One University Dr. Orange, CA 92866 714-997-8815 E-mail: music@chapman.edu Web: www.chapman.edu/copa Contact: Rick Christophersen, Director **Program:** Conservatory level musical training within the context of a 4-year liberal arts Degree: B.A. music, B.M. performance, B.M. music education, B.M. conducting, B.M. composition Duration: 4-year undergraduate degree programs Cost: please call admissions and records

COAST MUSIC 24002 Via Fabricante, Ste. 308 Mission Viejo, CA 92691 949-768-8783 Web: www.coastbandmusic.com Basic Rate: please call for info Clients: all levels

#### Additional location:

4970 Irvine Blvd., #109 Irvine, CA 714-731-3415

COLBURN SCHOOL, THE 200 S. Grand Ave. Los Angeles, CA 90012 213-621-4534 213-621-4534 E-mail: admissions@colburnschool.edu Web: www.colburnschool.edu Programs: Conservatory of Music (college programs), The Academy (pre-college studies) and School of Performing Arts (open enrollment, all ages) Cost: please call or see web for info

CORNERSTONE MUSIC CONSERVATORY 12121 W. Pico Blvd., Ste. 205 Los Angeles, CA 90064 310-820-1620 310-820-1620 E-mail: ann@cornerstonemusicconservatory.org Contact: Ann Pittel Program: Private and group music instruction for ages 7 months to adult. Duration: 15 weeks to year-round Cost: Varies-call for brochures and rates Notes: snecializing in expert music instruction Note: specializing in expert music instruction, composition, theory, teen/college-prep students, special toddler programs, Harmony Road Piano course for children (beginners grouped by age). **CBe•8 MUSIC ACADEMY** 

CRe-8 MUSIC ACADEMY Professional Music Production Courses 7273 Santa Monica Bvd. West Hollywood, CA 90046 323-851-9308 Web: www.Cre8MusicAcademy.com Program: Cre-8 Music Academy offers four expansive music production courses through a unique partnership with Westlake Recording Studios (Rihanna, The Weeknd, Michael Jackson, Adele, Imagine Dragons). These courses provide the essential aspects of music production used daily by industry professionals. Notes: Cre-8 Music Academy teaches techniques that will make your music stand out from the rest. Successful artists, producers and writers who work at Westlake Recording Studios all know that a well-produced song can make or break an opportunity to monetize their music through song placements, licenses or recording contracts. contracts

CRESCENTA VALLEY MUSIC STUDIO 3131 Foothill Blvd., Ste. I La Crescenta, CA 91214 818-248-2789 E-mail: cbkuhne@cvmusicstudio.com Web: www.cvmusicstudio.com Program: instruction in a variety of instruments, lessons for children as well Degree: N/A Duration: varies Cost: please call for info Cost: please call for info

#### CULVER CITY MUSIC CENTER 10862 Washington Blvd. Culver City, CA 90232 310-202-6874

Web: www.culvercitymusic.com Basic Rate: please call for info Clients: all levels

#### Additional location

1901 Santa Monica Blvd. Santa Monica, CA 90404 310-453-1928

# DEBORAH GIBSON'S CAMP ELECTRIC YOUTH 8491 Sunset Blvd., Ste. 772

#### West Hollywood, CA 90069

West Hollywood, CA 90069 E-mail: electricyouth08@al.com Web: www.deborahgibsonselectricyouth.com Program: Performing Arts Summer Day Camp Duration: one - two week summer camp plus other projects throughout the year Cost: please call or see web for info Notes: Mission is to provide a nurturing, creative, disciplined and fun atmosphere for young neople who are serious about embarking young people who are serious about embarking in a career in entertainment.

#### ES AUDIO SERVICES

1746 Victory Blvd. Glendale, CA 91201 Los Angeles, CA 818-505-1007 Web: www.esaudio.com Contact: Donny Baker Program: Recording Engineer/Music Producer Program Degree: No Degree, Certificate, State Accredited Accredited Duration: 22 weeks depending upon internship Notes: Learn in a working studio rather than a classroom. Learn with certified Digidesign instructors - Pro Gear - Tons of hands on training in a real world situation with real clients

#### EL CAMINO COLLEGE

16007 Crenshaw Blvd. Torrance, CA 90506 866-352-2646, 310-532-3670 E-mail: pcchamberssalazar@elcamino.edu Web: www.elcamino.edu/academics/finearts/ Contact: Polli Chambers-Salazar, Associate Prof. Music Prof. Music Program: a structured program of training in a variety of solo performance media, large and small ensembles, music theory and musicianship, basic vocal and keyboard skills, and the study of music history Degree: A.A. Duration: Two years Cost: please call or see web for info

# EUBANKS CONSERVATORY 1175 Box 1175 Hawthorne, CA 90251

310-462-5364 B-mail: contact@the-ecma.com Web: www.the-ecma.com Program: music degree program with a focus Degree: certificate Duration: varies Cost: please call for info

EVERGREEN MUSIC CONSERVATORY 4832 Tujunga Ave. North Hollywood, CA 91601 818-761-4970 818-761-4970 E-mail: evergreenmusicconservatory@gmail.com Web: www.evergreenmusicconservatory.com Contact: Jerry Acosta Program: 1-on-1 and group instruction in guitar, cello, piano, violin/viola and music composition Duration: varies Cost: please call for info Notes: all upixersity-trained faculty.

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#### Additional location:

1751 Fox Dr. San Jose, CA 95131 855-217-7300, 408-620-3299 **E-mail:** info-sjc@expression.edu

## FAUNT SCHOOL OF CREATIVE MUSIC

Los Angeles, CA 818-506-MUSE (6873) E-mail: inq092009@druminstruction.org Web: www.musicalskills.com Web: www.musicalskills.com Program: one-on-one programs for real-world musician skills and knowledge that are not effectively addressed in music lessons or classes. Rhythm, ear-training, complete harmonic knowledge and instrumental technique for playing and composing. What you hear is the focus. Cost: please call or see web for info Notes: all levels. Many students are accomplished pros but serious beginners are welcome also.

FIVE STAR SCHOOL OF MUSIC 314 E. Glenoaks Blvd. Glendale, CA 91207 818-502-1739 Web: www.fivestarmusicanddance.com Program: One-on-one and group musical instrument instruction. instrument misu dealers. Degree: IVA Duration: Varies with individual programs Cost: please call or see web for info Notes: Classes taught in English, Spanish, Armenian and Tagalog (Filipino).

FRED CARLSON, BEYOND THE TREES 2026 Back Ranch Rd. Santa Cruz, CA 95060 831-466-9356 E-mail: wildsols@beyondthetrees.com Web: www.beyondthetrees.com Cost: please call or see web for info

FOOTHILL COLLEGE 12345 El Monte Rd. Los Altos Hills, CA 94022 650-949-7156 E-mail: andersonmark@foothill.edu Web: www.foothill.edu/music Contact: Mark Anderson, Division Dean, Program Director

GARNISH MUSIC PRODUCTION SCHOOL 7600 Melrose Ave. Hollywood, CA 90046 323-639-0125 Web: www.us.garnishmusicproduction.com Notes: Learn to produce finished tracks fast from Grammy-winning instructors

GILMORE MUSIC STORE 1935 E. 7th St. Long Beach, CA 90813 562-599-1369 E-mail: ibgilmoremusic@yahoo.com Web: www.gilmoremusicstore.com Program: Instruction in drums, classical-jazz-and rock guitar, boas guitar, woodwinds, flute, trumpet, trombone, piano, violin, cello and wice voice.

# Voice. Degree: N/A Duration: 30 min. to 60 min. Cost: \$25/half-hr. Notes: 24-track digital recording studio on site,

beginner packages available

#### GLENDALE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Music Department 1500 N. Verdugo Rd. Glendale, CA 91208 818-240-1000 E-mail: pgreen@glendale.edu Web: www.glendale.edu/music Contact: Dr. Peter Green Ext. 5622 Program: Comprehensive program focusing on Program: Comprehensive program focusing on preparing musicians for university admissions with focus on choral or instr. performance and music history/theory. Degree: certificate, A.A, A.S. Duration: 2 years for A.A/A.S. Cost: please call or see web for info Notes: most classes do not require an audition, but may require a prerequisite

GLOBE AUDIO RECORDING AND PRODUCTION 351 9th St., #202 San Francisco, CA 94103 415-777-2486, 800-9000-MIX E-mail: info@globerecording.com Web: www.globerecording.com

GOLDEN WEST COLLEGE 15744 Golden West St. Huntington Beach, CA 92647 714-892-7711 **Be-mail:** www.chausey@qwc.cccd.edu **Web:** www.goldenwestcollege.edu/music **Program:** Music Education Preparation or Music Performance Degree: A.A.

GRAMMY CAMP Grammy Foundation 3030 Olympic Blvd. Santa Monica, CA 90404 310-581-8668 Contact: grammycamp@ Contact: grammycamp@grammy.com Contact: grammycamp@grammy.com Web: www.grammyintheschools.com/ programs/grammy-camp Program: This program offers students a 17-day interactive residential summer music experience that focuses on all aspects of commercial music, with instruction by industry professionals in an immersive creative environment with cutting-edge technology in a state-of-the-art facility. state-of-the-art facility. Cost: please call or see web for info

#### GUITAR MERCHANT, THE

7503 Topanga Canyon Blvd. Canoga Park, CA 91303

818-884-5905 E-mail: theguitarmerchant@yahoo.com Web: www.guitarmerchant.com Services: music lessons all instruments, all ages, band jam programs, live venue - shows nightly guitar sales and service

GUITAR SHOWCASE/S.M.I. 3090 S. Bascom Ave. San Jose, CA 95124 408-377-5864 408-377-5864 E-mail: info@guitarshowcase.com Web: www.guitarshowcase.com Instruments: guitar, bass, keyboards, drums, percussion, saxophone, flute, mandolin, banjo group classes, private instruction, monthly

Basic Rate: Please call or see web for info

HARRISON SCHOOL OF MUSIC P.O. Box 5068 West Hills, CA 91308 818-887-8870 E-mail: sales@harrisonmusic.com Web: www.harrisonmusic.com Contact: Mark Harrison Program: keyboard, theory, ear training and composing/arranging, with an emphasis on jazz and pop styles. Degree: N/A Duration: flexible scheduling Cost: please call or see web for info Notes: The Harrison music education methods are used by thousands of students in over 20 countries worldwide.

HOLLYWOOD ACADEMY OF MUSIC 7469 Melrose Ave., Ste. 34 Hollywood, CA 90046 323-651-2395 Honywood, CA 90046 323-651-2395 Web: www.hollywoodacademyofmusic.com Program: Hollywood Academy of Music offers private lessons for piano, keyboard, guitar, voice, drums, violin, bass guitar, flute, clarinet, saxophone and trumpet (other band instruments also available). We also teach a group workshop called "School of Rock-Band 101" and Pre-school Music Classes. **Cost:** please call or see web for info **Notes:** Hollywood Academy of Music provides Hollywood, West Hollywood, Beverly Hills and surrounding areas of Los Angeles with personable and highly qualified teachers for students of all ages. Our positive, encouraging atmosphere and professional studio environment aid in the development of musical abilities - and our convenient location makes it feasible for students from all different areas of the Los Angeles metro area to attend. Additional locationa:

#### Additional locations:

11367 Riverside Dr. North Hollywood, CA 91602 818-760-7740

12111 Santa Monica Blvd. Los Angeles, CA 90025 310-207-1200

#### ICON COLLECTIVE, LLC

4620 Magnolia Blvd Burbank, CA 91505 818-299-8013 E-mail: info@learn2produce.com E-mail: into @learn2produce.com Web: www.learn2produce.com Program: The 9-month Digital Music Production Course teaches artists/DJ's and beatmakers how to record, mix, master, market and sell their music in today's new digital era. Blending creativity with technology, Icon Collective has created a 21st century approach for artists/producers seeking a creative, artistic, successful lifestyle.

# INTERNATIONAL MUSIC SCHOOL 2588-H NewPort Blvd. Costa Mesa, CA 92627 949-650-7788

E-mail: info@internationalmusicschool.com Web: www.internationalmusicschool.com Program: voice, piano, keyboard, guitar, violin, cello, bass, drum, percussion, sax, flute, clarinet, trumpet, Persian and Indian instruments, English bagpipe, harmonica **Duration:** varies Cost: please call or see web for info

#### INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL OF MUSIC

INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL OF MUSIC 116 S. Louise St. Glendale, CA 91205 818-548-7559 E-mail: info@ISMGlendale.com Web: www.ismglendale.com Program: classical; one-on-one instruction in piano, guitar (classical, jazz, flamingo), violin, fute, viola, voice, percussion Degree: certificate Puration: varies Duration: varies Cost: please call or see web for info

#### JOHN NOVELLO'S CONTEMPORARY KEYBOARDIST COURSE P.O. Box 9648

North Hollywood, CA 91609 818-506-0236 Fax 818-506-5559 E-mail: john@keysnovello.com Web: www.keysnovello.com Contact: John Novello Program: complete one-on-one program for training the contemporary keyboardist, composer and singer-songwriter Degree: N/A Duration: varies Cost: please call or see web for info **Cost:** please call or see web for info **Notes:** all musical styles; piano, Hammond B3, improvisation, music sequencing and music theory

# LA VOCE MUSIC ACADEMY 5028 Wilshire Blvd., #216 Los Angeles, CA 90036 323-790-9988

Email: lavoce21@gmail.com

LONG BEACH CITY COLLEGE 1305 E. Pacific Coast Hwy. Long Beach, CA 90806 562-938-4111 E-mail: sangulo@lbcc.edu Web: www.lbcc.edu/PerformingArts Program. Commercial Music Program, Radio and TV Program Degree: A.A. and/or certificate Duration: 2 years Cost: please call or see web for info

#### LONG BEACH SCHOOL OF MUSIC

3840 Woodruff Ave., Ste. 109 Long Beach, CA 90808 562-627-0464 562-627-0464 Web: www.longbeachschoolofmusic.com Contact: Mark Fitchett Program: All styles instruction in guitar, bass, woodwinds, drums, voice and keyboards Degree: N/A Duration: varies Cost: please call or see web for info

#### LOS ANGELES CITY COLLEGE

855 N. Vermont Ave. Los Angeles, CA 90029 Music Department 323-953-4000 Ext. 2887 323-953-4000 Ext. 2887 E-mail: parkcj@lacitycollege.edu Web: www.lacitycollege.edu Contact: Christine Park, Depart. Chair Program: Commercial and traditional music program to prepare students who wish to transfer to a 4-year university music program, or get their A.A. degree or commercial music certificate in vocal music, instrumental music, piano, orrbestratino/arranging and electronic Certificate in Vocal music, instrumental music, piano, orchestration/arranging and electronic music/MIDI. The certificate program is intended for those wishing to enter the recording or film industry. The A.A. degree is intended for students who wish to continue their education and seek a higher degree. Please visit www.lacitycollege.edu for more complete information.

Visit www.lactiycoliege.edu for more complete information. Degree: A.A. (Associate in Arts) or certificate in commercial vocal, instrumental, piano, orchestration/arranging, electronic music/MIDI Duration: approx. 2 years Cost: visit the site for info

#### LOS ANGELES HARBOR COLLEGE

1111 Figueroa PI. Wilmington, CA 90744 310-233-4000 Web: www.lahc.edu/classes/music/index.html Contact: music department Program: traditional and commercial music courses offered including theory/musicianship, MDI/electronic music, songwriting and instruments such as voice, guitar and here heard instruments such as voice, guitar and keyboards Degree: A.A., commercial music certificates Duration: 16-week semesters Cost: please call or see web for info Notes: courses taught by instructors in the field who bring practical, contemporary information to the classroom; evening classes available.

to the classroom; evening classes available. LOS ANGELES MUSIC ACADEMY COLLEGE OF MUSIC 300 S. Fair Oaks Ave. Pasadena, CA 91105 626-568-8850, 800-960-4715 E-mail: info@lacm.edu Web: www.lacm.edu Web: www.lacm.edu Program: intense programs individualized for drums, guitar, bass, vocal and music production disciplines, professional level Duration: 3.5, 1.5 and 1 year programs Degree: Bachelor of Music in Music Performance, Music Production, or Composition, Bachelor of Arts in Music Business after 3.5 years, Associate of Arts Degree in Music Performance or Music Production after 1.5 years or Diploma after 1 year Cost: please call or see web for info Motes: fully accredited, financial aid available, emphasis on contemporary music production and performance with daily ensemble workshops, students accompanied by

hired professional musicians in an intimate environment

# LOS ANGELES MUSIC & ART SCHOOL LOS ANGELES MUSIC & ART SI 3630 E. 3rd St. Los Angeles, CA 90063 323-262-7734 E-mail: stayintune@lamusart.org Web: www.lamusart.org Contact: Admissions Program: Individual instruction offered in piano, guitar, violin, woodwinds, drums and voice. voice. Degree: N/A Duration: varies Cost: please call or see web for info Notes: a private, non-profit school; voice lessons taught in English and Spanish; financial aid available

#### LOS ANGELES RECORDING SCHOOL 6690 Sunset Blvd. Hollywood, CA 90028

323-464-5200 E-mail: info@larecordingschool.com 323-464-5200 E-mail: into @ larecordingschool.com Web: www.larecordingschool.com Program: Covers all phases of recording, music and post-production. From cutting edge digital systems to large format mixing consoles like SSL and Neve, their 19 hands-on computer and console labs feature Digidesign's Pro Tools systems, allowing students to mix and record in the program's first months. In addition to featuring state-of-the-art Pro Tools systems in their labs, The Los Angeles Recording School has established a program that allows their students to take training even further with their Pro Tools certification program. Its faculty of professional recording engineers teaches a full range of audio engineering and music production skills such as: recording, mixing and optimizing audio for music, movies, television, computer games and the internet. Degree: Certificate in Recording Engineering Duration: call for info Cost: please call or see web Notes: Financial aid is available to those who qualify.

LOS ANGELES VALLEY COLLEGE 5800 Fulton Ave. Van Nuys, CA 91401 818-947-2346 **E-mail:** music@lavc.edu Web: www.lavc.edu/music Contact: Music department Program: curriculum is geared toward instrument instruction and performance, with Instrument instruction and performance, with school performance opportunities and a varied course selection available **Degree:** A.A. **Duration:** approx. 2 years **Cost:** please call for tuition and fee information **Notes:** weekend/evening music classes offered through Community Services program

#### LOS MEDANOS COLLEGE

LOS MEDANOS COLLEGE Recording Arts 2700 E. Leland Rd. Pitsburg, CA 94565 925-439-2181 Web: www.losmedanos.edu/recarts/default.asp Programs: Degrees/Certificate(s) offered: AA, College Skills Certificate, Certificate of Achievement

#### LOYOLA MARYMOUNT UNIVERSITY

1 LMU Dr Burns Fine Arts Center Los Angeles, CA 90045-2659 310-338-3010

Los Ángeles, CA 90045-2659 310-338-3010 E-mail: mark.saya@lmu.edu Web: www.cfa.lmu.edu/programs/music Contact: Dr. Mark Saya, Dept. Chair Program: classical guitar, piano, voice, strings, percussion, world music ensemble, opera, chorus, music history, theory and composition, ethnomusicology and instrumental and choral conducting. Degree: B.A. Duration: approx. 4 years Cost: please call for tuition information Notes: All music courses are faculty-taught and are limited in size to provide the most personal attention to each student. The program offers a balanced curriculum in musicianship, historical perspectives and music performance. The Bachelor of Arts Degree in Music, often called "the degree of the future" offers the maximum career opportunities following graduation. The B.A. degree also provides an appropriate background tor prospective candidates pursuing advanced degrees in preparation for work as musicologists, composers, arts administrators, music educators as well as professional performers. professional performers.

#### MEDIATECH INSTITUTE

302 Oceanside Blvd. Oceanside, CA 92054 844-668-6800, 760-231-5368 E-mail: oceanside@mediatech.edu Web: www.mediatech.edu

Program: Recording Arts, Digital Film & Video Arts. Locations in Dallas, Austin, Houston, TX

MIRACOSTA COLLEGE 1 Barnard Dr., Bldg. 2200 Oceanside, CA 92056 760-757-2121 Ext. 6679, 888-201-8480 E-mail: storok@miracosta.edu Web: www.miracosta.edu Contact: Steve Torok, Department Chair Cost: please call or see web for info

MISS FEEF MOONEY North Hollywood, CA 91606 818-487-0608 818-487-0608 E-mail: happmus@roadrunner.com Contact: Feef Mooney Program: Super support for the beginning or burned out musician: guitar, bass, piano lessons, yoga and breath work Degree: non-degree, prep for entry music exams to Musician's Institute, Berklee, etc. avail. Duration: sessions range from 1/2 hour to 2 hours, depending on client's needs Cost: I don't take many clients. E-mail or call, and we can talk. MOREY'S MUSIC STORE INC.

4834 Woodruff Ave. Lakewood, CA 90713 562-420-9532 E-mail: info@moreysmusic.com Web: www.moreysmusic.com Web: www.moreysmusic.com Program: instruction in guitar, saxophone, flute, violin, clarinet, cello, piano Degree: IVA Duration: varies Cost: please call or see web for info

MUSIC 4 LIFE COACHING North Hollywood, CA 91606 818-487-0608 818-487-0608 E-mail: happmus@roadrunner.com Web: www.happmus.wix.com/music-for-life Contact: Feef Mooney Program: One-on-One personalized instruction in guitar, voice, beginning piano. Recording, songwriting, performance, life coaching in music career options Degree: Personalized Coaching and Instruction to get you ready for music school applications, tests, interviews and auditions auditions

auditions<sup>1</sup> Duration: Sessions range from 1/2 hour to 2 hours, depending on your needs, and how we structure achieving your goals **Cost:** Free phone consultation. Not cheap, but if you want to dig in, go pro, or just achieve your personal musical dreams, this is the place. \*You must be over 21, and willing to commit.

#### MUSIC EDUCATION CENTER. THE

9555 Pico Blvd. Los Angeles, CA 90035 310-284-6633 Basic Rate: please call for info Clients: beginner to intermediate

#### MUSICIANS INSTITUTE (MI)

6752 Hollywood Blvd. Hollywood, CA 90028 800-255-7529, 323-462-1384 **Web:** www.mi.edu Web: www.mi.edu Program: fully-accredited degree and certificate programs in guitar, bass, drums, keyboards, vocals, audio engineering, music business, music video/film and television and

Reyboards, Voidars, adult evidenterming interim, induct business, music video/film and television and guitar craft Degree: instrument certificate, specialized certificate, Associate of Arts, B.M. and encore Duration: instrument certificate Program: 12- and 18-month options, specialized certificate Program: six-to-nine-month courses in career specialities including: audio engineering, independent artist development, music business, guitar craft, music video/film and television, Bachelor of Music degrees (bass, guitar, drums, keyboards and vocals): 4 years; Associate of Arts degree (bass, guitar, drums, keyboards and vocals): 2 years; Encore Programs (bass, guitar, drum set, keyboards and vocals): 10 weeks; Encore Express 5-week, full-time (15 units) or 10-week, part-time (7 units); cettension – individual 10-week courses; Summer Shot – one-week

courses Cost: please call or see web for info Notes: IN offers a wide range of educational options for contemporary musicians, all designed and taught by professionals who show you first-hand what a music career is all about. At MI, students learn how the contemporary music industry works from the inside, on the performing stage, in the recording studio and behind the scenes.

# OCCIDENTAL COLLEGE 1600 Campus Rd. Los Angeles, CA 90041 323-259-2785

E-mail: music@oxy.edu Web: www.oxy.edu/music Contact: Wendy Clifford, Dept. Chair

Program: Students majoring in music develop an integrated understanding of music in performance, creative work, and as cultural and historical expression. Through its curriculum, concerts and recitals, master classes, guest lectures, residencies and other public events, the music department leads the discourse that enriches College and community life. Students study, practice, and perform in Booth Hall, Herrick Chapel, and Thorne Hall, with access to practice rooms, large and small performance venues, a well-equipped electronic music studio, and an outstanding music library. Degree: B.A. Program: Students majoring in music develop Degree: B.A. Duration: approx. 4 years Cost: please call or see web for info

OC RECORDING SCHOOL, THE 3100 W. Warner Ave., Ste. 7 Santa Ana, CA 92704 323-244-9794

Web: www.ocrecording.com Contact: Asaf Fulks (Engineer, Producer,

Program: Accredited Audio Engineering and Music Production Certificate Course In The Studio

Studio Duration: 20 Weeks Notes: Pro Tools 11, Avid Interface, NI Maschine, Waves Audio Certification, Asaf Exclusive Textbook, One on One Instruction, Access to our Studios and Shadowing of our Professional Studio Sessions Sessions. Cost: Please Contact Us

PASADENA CITY COLLEGE 1570 E. Colorado Blvd. Pasadena, CA 91106 626-585-7123 Web: www.pasadena.edu Program: a program with classes in music studies, vocal and instrument instruction. Degree: A.A. Duration: Approx. 2 years Cost: please call or see web for info Notes: evening classes available Notes: evening classes available

#### PEPPERDINE UNIVERSITY

PEPPERDINE UNIVERSITY Seaver College 24255 Pacific Coast Hwy. Malibu, CA 90263 310-506-4462 Web: www.seaver.pepperdine.edu Program: undergraduate music curriculum with emphases in: Applied (instrumental/ vocal performance), music education and composition. Special programs incl. the Flora L. Thornton Opera Program and the Heidelberg Summer Music Program and the Heidelberg Summer Music Program. Performing ensembles: orchestra, wind ensemble, jazz band, chamber ensembles, choir, opera & musical prod., and pep band. Degree: B.A. Duration: approx. 4 years Notes: Please see website for deadline dates to apply

**PYRAMIND** 832-880 Folsom St. San Francisco, CA 94107 415-896-9800 E-mail: production@pyramind.com Web: www.pyramind.com

#### RECORDING ARTS CENTER, THE

11021 Via Frontera, Ste. A San Diego, CA 92127 858-592-0556 E-mail: info@tracsd.com E-mail: info@tracsd.com Web: www.tracsd.com Cost: varies by class Programs: Pro Tools Operator Certification, Pro Tools Expert Certification, Music Creation, Audio Production, ICON Mixer Certification, Avid Media Composer. Degree: Associate Degree in Recording Arts Duration: varies by program

RECORDING CONNECTION AUDIO INSTITUTE 1201 W. 5th St., Ste. M130 Los Angeles, CA 90017 323-329-9610, 800-755-7597 E-mail: admissions@rrfedu.com Web: www.recordingconnection.com Notes: check website for other U.S. locations

#### REDONDO BEACH GUITAR SCHOOL

1712 S. Pacific Coast Hwy. Redondo Beach, CA 90277 Hedondo Beach, CA 90277 310-540-6767 E-mail: mrfrets@aol.com Web: www.theguitarschool.com Contact: Mark Fitchett Program: All styles instruction in guitar, bass, and keyboards Degree: N/A Puration: varies Duration: varies

ROCK NATION 30125 Agoura Rd., Ste. E-G Agoura Hills, CA 91301 818-706-2326 Web: www.rocknationschool.com/locations.html

Programs: Project Rock Star, Lesson Only Program, Adult Shredder Program, Grass Root Fan-building Program, Artist Development Program, Recording Arts, Summer Tour Program, Summer Jam Camp, Annual Concert Full Access Pass.

#### Additional locations:

Reino Road Newbury Park, CA 91320 805-498-2500

10946 Ventura Blvd. Studio City, CA 818-980-0018

SAE INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY 6700 Santa Monica Blvd. Los Angeles, CA 90038 323-466-6323, 800-872-1504 E-mail: losangeles@sae.edu Web: www.sae-la.com web: www.saê-la.com Program: Audio Technology Program (Diploma); Electronic Music Producer (Certificate) Degree: N/A Duration: 9 months full-time, 18 months part-time (Audio), 6 months part-time (Electronic Music) Certification: Music) Cost: Call for more info Notes: SAE Institute was founded internationally in 1976 and has since grown to almost 50 locations worldwide. Courses focus on hands-on training to prepare graduates for a career in the audio industry.

#### Additional locations:

215 Peachtree St., Ste. 300 Atlanta, GA 30303 404-526-9366 Fax 404-526-9367 **E-mail:** atlanta@sae.edu **Web:** www.atlanta.sae.edu

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218 W. 18th St., Fl. 4 New York, NY 100011 212-944-9121 Fax 212-944-9123 **E-mail:** newyork@sae.edu **Web:** www.newyork.sae.edu

1650 B 65th St Emeryville, CA 94608 415-344-0886 Fax 415-276-1918 E-mail: sanfrancisco@sae.edu Web: www.sanfrancisco.sae.edu

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1900 Pico Blvd. Santa Monica, CA 90405 310-434-4323 E-mail: kozlova\_yulia@smc.edu Web: www.smc.edu Web: www.smc.edu Contact: Yulia Kozlova, Dept. Chair Program: courses taught in songwriting, theory, voice, and ear-training, as well as instrument instruction classes. Degree: A.A. Duration: approx. 2 years Cost: please call or see web for info Notes: extension/evening classes available

SANTA MONICA MUSIC CENTER 1901 Santa Monica Blvd. Santa Monica, CA 90404 310-453-1928 Web: www.santamonicamusic.com Contact: School Coordinator Basic Rate: please call for info Clients: all levels

SCHOOL OF ROCK MUSIC 12020 Wilshire Blvd. Los Angeles, CA 90025 866-695-5515

Web: www.westla.schoolofrock.com Program: School of Rock Music is the original performance-based, interactive music school founded in 1998 in Philadelphia. Our goals at the Paul Green School Of Rock Music are: to help our students realize their potential as artists, to put them on stage in front of as many people as possible, and to help foster a new generation of incredible musicians. Cost: please call for info Notes: Schools all across the country. check Notes: Schools all across the country, check website for additional locations

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1710 Pacific Coast Hwy. South Redondo, CA 310-540-6767 s10-540-5767 Web: www.southbayschoolofmusic.com Program: All styles instruction in guitar, bass, drums, voice, woodwinds, brass and keyboards. Degree: N/A Duration: varies Cost: please call or see web for info

#### Additional location:

3840 Woodruff Ave., Ste. 109 Long Beach, CA 90808 565-627-0464

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Los Angeles, CA 90024 310-825-9971 E-mail: entertainmentstudies@uclaextension.edu Web: www.entertainment.uclaextension.edu Program: UCLA Extension's Department of Entertainment Studies and Performing Arts is an internationally acclaimed program, providing practical training and instruction in all aspects of the entertainment industry. Students can enroll in individual courses or a comprehensive certificate program in the film scoring, the music business, songwriting, recording engineering, and music technology and production. Our course of study directly addresses the competitive demands of today's industry and propares professionals with a broad, in-depth background to meet the challenges of the entertainment industry. Degree: Certificates in Film Scoring and Music Business

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Contact: Cindy Cox, Prof. & Department Chair Degree: B.A., M.A./Ph.D, and Ph.D Cost: please call or see web for info

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Web: www.music.ucla.edu Contact: Brenda Galvez, Undergraduate Advisor

Program: A performance-based university

Advisor Program: A performance-based university music program at the undergraduate level. Graduate level includes performance and composition. Related departments: Ethnomusicology (B.A., M.A., Ph.D.) and Music History/Musicology (B.A., M.A., Ph.D.). Degree: B.A., M.A., Ph.D, M.M., D.M.A. Duration: varies Cost: call for info, see www.registrar.ucla.edu Notes: The UCLA Department of Music admits new students in the Fall Quarter only. The UC application filing period is Nov. 1-30 for enrollment in September of the following year. Applicants must first apply for admission at the freshman level from high school or transfer from another college or university, and must meet all minimum academic eligibility of California either as a freshman or transfer student. Please note that only application, will be considered for admission to the program. Students interested in Jazz Studies or World Music should apply to the UCLA

#### USC THORNTON SCHOOL OF MUSIC Los Angeles, CA 90089 213-740-6935

Web: www.usc.edu/music Contact: music admissions Contact: music admissions Program: A large department with a wide variety of undergraduate and graduate programs in performance, composition, education, and music industry. Degree: B.M., B.A., B.S., M.M., D.M.A., Ph.D., M.A., Graduate Certificate. Duration: varies Cost: please call or see web for info Notes: Virtually all programs require a Notes: Virtually all programs require a performance audition in order to be considered for admission.

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WALDEN SCHOOL, THE 31-A 29th St. San Francisco, CA 94110 415-648-4710 E-mail: info@waldenschool.org Web: www.waldenschool.org Cost: please call or see web for info

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WEST L.A. COLLEGE Humanities & Fine Arts Division 9000 Overland Ave. Culver City, CA 90230-3519 310-287-4538 310-287-4538 Web: www.wlac.edu Contact: music dept. administration Program: courses in instrument instruction and music studies. piano, voice, music appreciation and fundamentals and jazz band Degree: A.A. Duration: approx.2 years Cost: please call or see web for info Notes: evening classes are available

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Web: www.whitehallacademy.org, www.facebook.com/whitehallartsacademy Contact: any customer service rep. Program: private one-on-one lessons in voice, plano, strings, guitar, woodwind, Duration: Private min. 30/45/60 Cost: Private (\$120/170/210 monthly)

WOMEN'S AUDIO MISSION 542-544 Natoma St., #C-1 San Francisco, CA 94103 415-558-9200 415-558-9200 Web: www.womensaudiomission.org Program: Women's Audio Mission (WAM) is a San Francisco-based nonprofit organization that is dedicated to the advancement of women in music production and the recording arts, a field in which women are critically under-represented (less than 5%). Classes in Audio & Recording Technology.

WOODWIND INSTITUTE 1855 Sunset Plaza Dr. Los Angeles, CA 90069 310-360-0010 E-mail: seldenmusic@mac.com Contact: Fred Selden Program: individual lesson with professional woodwind musicians Duration: varies Degree: Masters and DMA in Music Cost: please call or email for information

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#### THE HARTFORD SCHOOL OF MUSIC

200 Bloomfield Ave. West Hartford, CT 06117-1599 860-768-4454, 800-342-5864 Web: www.harttweb.hartford.edu Program: Bachelor of Music, Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Fine Arts

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CENTER FOR PRO TOOLS PO. Box 1393 Goldenrod, FL 327331393 407-674-7926 Fax 407-674-7860 E-mail: info@centerprotools.com Web: www.centerforprotools.com Program: ProTools Certification

#### FROST SCHOOL OF MUSIC

University of Miami P.O. Box 248165 Coral Gables, FL 33124 305-284-2241 305-284-2241 E-mail: admission.music@miami.edu Web: www.music.miami.edu Program: Performance, Studio Music and Jazz, Music Education, Music Therapy, Music Business and Entertainment Industry, Music Theory, Music Engineering Technology, Media Writing and Production Degree: B.M., B.A., B.S., M.M., D.M.A, Ph.D, A.D., Specialist Duration: 4 years

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ST PETERSBURG COLLEGE Music Industry Recording Arts (MIRA) P.O. Box 13489 St. Petersburg, FL 33733 727-341-4772 Web: www.spcollege.edu/mira

UNITY GAIN RECORDING SCHOOL 1953 Ricardo Ave. Fort Myers, FL 33901 239-332-4246 E-mail: admin@unitygain.com Web: www.unitygain.com Program: Unity Gain Recording Institute offers two, one year programs to teach the art of professional multi track recording: The Audio Recording Comprehensive Program and Advanced Techniques In Audio Recording.

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Degrees: B.M. in performance, B.M. in Music Education, B.A. in Music, B.A. in Musical Theatre, Minor in Music

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MUSIC CLASS, THE Macon and Warner Robins, GA 31088 404-314-4526, 404-314-3536 E-mail: admin@themusicclass.com Web: www.musicdiscoveryclass.com Cost: please call or see web for info Notes: Childhood Music Education. Centers throughout the United States and Canada

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COLUMBIA COLLEGE CHICAGO 1014 S. Michigan, Room 300 Chicago, IL 312-369-6300 E-mail: admissions@colum.edu, E-mail: admissions@colum.edu, music@colum.edu Web: www.colum.edu Program: B.A. degrees in Composition; Instrumental Performance; Vocal Performance: Jazz Studies: Instrumental; Jazz Studies: Vocal. Mus degrees in Composition; Contemporary, Urban and Popular Music. M.F.A. degree in Music Composition for the Screen Screen. Degree: Undergraduate and Graduate degrees

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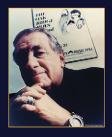
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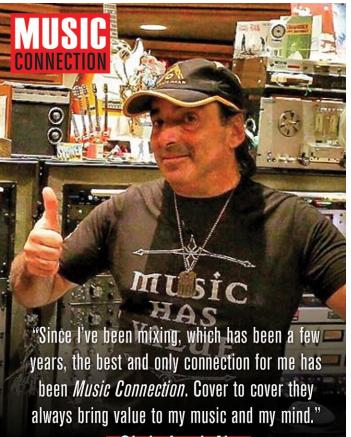
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Why even have a written agreement between the members of a band or group? Entering into a band agreement is advisable, not necessarily because you don't trust your band mates, but because it forces the members of the band to address difficult issues and hopefully reduce misunderstandings. To paraphrase Timothy B. Schmit, bassist/singer with The Eagles: "In my experience, all rock & roll bands are on the verge of breaking up at all times." Yes, disputes will arise and you will be in a better position to deal with them if you have a comprehensive band agreement—in writing.

**Band Name:** The agreement should indicate the band name and any logo. It should also indicate who owns the band name. This issue has come up with some famous bands, like The Beach Boys. When a band breaks up, the question often arises as to who owns the name and, consequently, who can record and perform using that name. There are alternatives for

ownership of the band name. For instance, the agreement can provide that the band owns the name, and departing band members have no right to use the name. Or let's say two members were instrumental in forming the band; the agreement could say "should those members leave, the band shall cease using the band name and logo."

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Other Projects: The agreement may provide that band members can participate in other music projects (solo albums, solo performances, side artist appearances, etc.) so long as it does not interfere with band obligations.

**Representations and Warran-**

ties: The agreement should include typical ("boilerplate") representations, such as: members have the legal right to enter into the band agreement; they will not do anything to harm the band partnership; that members are under no restriction that would interfere



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with the agreement; and that they will not sell their interest in the band without the consent of the other band members.

**Profits and Losses:** The simplest way to divide profits and losses is to provide in the agreement that the band members will share equally in them. This provision should also provide for a specific definition of "net profits." And it should specify expenses: such as band salaries, accounting, legal and office expenses. However, splitting band profits and losses may not be equitable to all band members under certain circumstances. For instance, where one band member does all the songwriting, is already famous, or invests most of the money in the band, the profits and losses section can have special provisions for that.

**Publishing:** There are a number of options with regard to splitting publishing income. The band agreement can provide that the band will split all music publishing income (writer's and publisher's share) equally among the members. Or a more complex formula can be used such as publishing income is shared equally, but songwriter income is to be equally divided among the writers of the composition. It all depends on what is fair under the circumstances. Where one member does no writing or one member does all the writing, the agreement should take this into account. If a band publishing company is set up it can have the worldwide

exclusive right to administer and control the copyright ownership in the recorded compositions and the right to enter into sub-publishing agreements or otherwise deal with the copyrights.

**Meeting and Voting:** The agreement should provide when there will be meetings and may provide that any member can call a meeting. It should also provide what types of things require a majority or unanimous vote. For instance, perhaps it will take a unanimous vote to expel a member, or a majority vote to admit a new member, or for bonuses, or entering into band agreements.

**Books and Records:** Books and records on the band's business dealings should be maintained and available for inspection by any band member.

Adding New Member: Adding a new member can often lead to disputes.

The procedure for adding a new member should be spelled out in the agreement. It should specify if all members have to agree to a new member. And it should require any new member to agree to the band agreement. In addition, a new member should usually not have any right to income from recordings created before the new member was admitted.

#### Leaving Member: The

agreement can provide for voluntarily or involuntarily (death, disability, being expelled) leaving the band. It should specify what will constitute grounds to expel someone from the group. One possible provision could be that any member who leaves must give 30 days notice and that written notice will be given to any expelled partner. It should also provide what a leaving member is entitled to: share of net worth, royalties, etc.

Binding Arbitration: Provid-

ing for binding arbitration of disputes is usually a good idea. You will often have a quicker and less expensive resolution of your dispute. You could also provide for mediation (informal settlement conference with a retired judge) before an arbitration to try and settle without the costs of a binding arbitration.

**General Provisions:** There are a number of typical provisions included in a band partnership agreement. These include: California law applies to any disputes; email signatures on the band partnership agreement is sufficient; the agreement shall be binding on each member's successors-in-interest, and if one provision of the partnership agreement is held invalid by an arbitrator or court, the remaining provisions shall remain in effect.

Finally, each band member should have an independent attorney represent him or her with regard to the partnership agreement and each band member should receive a copy of it.

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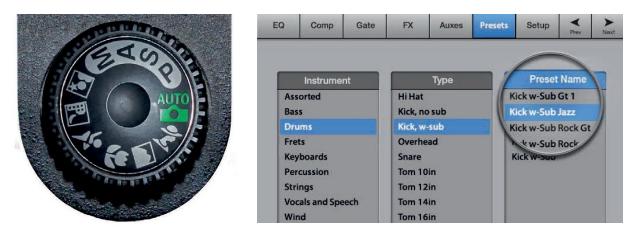


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