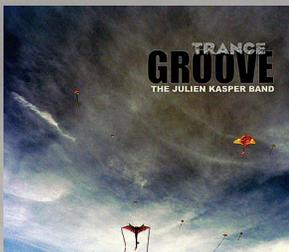


Julien Kasper Band



Julien Kasper is an extraordinary guitarist who tempers his fiery playing with an unerring sense of melody and composition. His music blends elements of rock, funk, blues and jazz with natural flow and passionate intensity.



“While it’s hard to categorize what Kasper does, he’s certainly one of the most imaginative composers and players working with the guitar today.”
— *Vintage Guitar magazine*

“Exquisite tones, masterful execution, and innate soulfulness drive this jazzy, funky, bluesy, Sco-and-Beck-meet-Hendrix-for-drinks-at-the-Harvard-Psychedelic-Club instrumental joyride.”
— *Guitar Player magazine*

“Kasper’s grasp of dynamics and tone as well as his anything goes approach is in the best tradition of Jeff Beck, while his affinity for the harmonic fringe calls to mind John Scofield.”
— *Guitar Edge magazine*

Eclectic Boston guitar virtuoso Julien Kasper has just released his third CD, *Trance Groove*. As with his previous releases, Julien’s guitar is the nuanced, expressive singing voice of this all instrumental release. Funky grooves, catchy melodies, psychedelic soundscapes, soulful gospel blues, epic rock guitar, and a stunning acoustic ballad coexist with rare, natural continuity.

Trance Groove features a guest appearance by Hammond B3 organist T Lavitz (of the Dixie Dregs, Widespread Panic and Jazz is Dead). Live and on record Julien’s choice of rhythm section reflects his aesthetic of groove and group interaction. Bassist Jesse Williams and drummer Zac Casher have, between them, performed and/or recorded with a who’s who of American roots and groove masters: Johnny Adams, Duke Robillard, Mighty Sam McClain, Immani Coppala, D’Angelo, Jay McShann, Henry Butler, and countless others.

The international community of blues and jazz fans became aware of Julien through his work with pianist and Hammond B3 organist Bruce Katz on their extensive tours throughout the US and Europe. He recorded two CDs with the Bruce Katz Band on Audioquest: *Mississippi Moan* and *Three Feet Off the Ground*. Julien has also recorded with Mighty Sam McClain: *Journey* and *Soul Survivor* on Telarc.



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