

# Northern Utah Music Alliance

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*Music In The Mountains*

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## Summerfest - Logans Music Party

excerpts courtesy of Summerfest website

As summer approaches, Cache Valley can once again look forward to Logan's Summerfest. This year it will be held June 13th, 14th & 15th on the Logan Tabernacle grounds.

Summerfest is a celebration of music, art, food and good times.

Produced by the Cache Valley Health Care Foundation, Summerfest's purpose is twofold: To give back to the community by providing a fun and enriching event, and to raise funds and awareness to improve healthcare.

Summerfest hosts a variety of local and national musical acts, all of which are presented free to the public.

This years performers include Peter Breinholt & Big Parade, Ryan Shupe & The Rubberband,

Salsa Brava, Julie Hill with Hazel Sally, and Mormans With Horns, just to name a few.

Local acts this summer include Sun House Healers, a rockin' blues band, playing Friday, June 14th at 1:00PM

Chango, a classic blues band, who will perform Saturday, June 15th at 5:00PM.

Both bands are featured in this months newsletter. Songwriters contest

will be at 12 noon, Saturday. The last night will be closed out by Colors and Eclipse.

We will see YOU downtown!!



## Shining Bright - The Sun House Healers

by Stephen Peterson

One of today's most promising new bands is "The Sun House Healers". Based out of Cache Valley, this bluesy hard rockin' trio took their name from blues legend Eddie Son House, and "The Healer" album recorded by John Lee Hooker.

Their new album is the self-titled "Sun House Healers". This is the band's first effort since 1998's "A Horse Named Life".



Johnson, guitarist/vocalist, has found a songwriting style and playing flair that reminds me a lot of Big Head Todd & The Monsters and Gov't Mule. Josh's influences, which include the likes of Neil Young, Towns VanZant, Steve Earle, and Bob Dylan, come shining through on the new album.

This powerhouse trio rips through 12 blistering hot tunes. "One Long Night" is a composition by Josh's father, Craig Johnson, which speaks of a longing to hold that one true love close to you. Splendid backing vocals are provided by Katie Jo Neilson. A vibrant harmonica is played

by Josh and I really liked the tasty acoustic solo that is laid down on the song.

On "Servants of Device" the band displays a slow, psychedelic groove with bass player, Jarad McDonald laying down a solid, 'Zeppelinesque' bass line.

Song after song, The Healers showcase incredible musicianship and songwriting skills that have matured by

leaps and bounds over the past four years.

"Eye of Ra" opens up the album. This song speaks about a relationship gone bad but instead of running away from it all, to just suck it up and push on. Josh sings: "Your pride, your pride knows best. It's better to live in the eye of the storm Than to die at the edge of the calm" In the middle of the tune, drummer, Ryan Boyce, lays the smack down on a tight arrangement and shows off his chops. Ryan counts jazz greats, Buddy Miles, Max Roach and rock luminaries, John Bonham and Stewart Copeland as some of his biggest influences.

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The Healers are able to move from more bluesy, rock swagger tunes such as "St. Anthony Blues" and "Cold Love" into more autobiographical songs such as the excellent "Brother Will", which was written by Craig Johnson.

"Decisions Made" gets a reworking on this album and sounds fantastic. I really enjoy the additional percussion from Ryan and the layers of guitar licks built around Josh singing, with help once again from Katie Jo Neilson.

If you are looking for an album with some fine songwriting, solid musicianship and a rockin' good time, this groove is for you!

I recommend you run right out and pick up "The Sun House Healers", currently available at Hastings and KSM Guitars in Logan, Utah.

The Sun House Healers: (pictured l. to r.) Jarad McDonald (bass), Ryan Boyce (drums, percussion), Josh Johnson (guitars, vocals, harmonica)

To learn more about the band, visit their website at [www.sunhousehealers.com](http://www.sunhousehealers.com).

# LOGO CONTEST

The Northern Utah Music Alliance (NUMA) is looking for a logo to represent our organization.

- Logo contest winner will receive a collection of CD's from artists featured in the newsletter -

Entries can be in color, but should be cleanly reproducible in black and white. They should be no larger than 6"x6" and be clearly reproducible down to 2"x2". Email entries should be in .bmp format at 300 dpi. Please include your name, address and phone number with your entry. Winner will be announced in the October NUMA newsletter.

Entries due by September 20, 2002.

Mail entries to: NUMA, PO BOX 105, Logan, UT 84323-0105. Email entries to: [numa84321@yahoo.com](mailto:numa84321@yahoo.com)

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## MOUNTAIN ROADIE REPORT

Goes off the beaten path... to Atlanta's Music Midtown Festival

By Julie Greenwood

The 9th Annual Music Midtown Festival graced Atlanta, GA May 3rd, 4th and 5th this year.

Why would you want to know about a festival in Atlanta? It's only one of the largest music festivals in the



nation, that's why! Over 300,000 people gathered together for an unbelievable weekend of great food, fair weather and wonderful music from over 120 bands/artists.

Being a native of Atlanta for 24 years, and attending Music Midtown for the past 5 years, there was no question about attending this year. The Midtown posse this year included Jim Keyes, Kelly Bair, Lori Lovin, Tiki Tucker, Casey Banchette, Katie Greenwood and myself, Julie Greenwood.

We patiently waited for the announcement of the bands, knowing we wouldn't be disappointed with the lineup. However, we knew we would have to make some difficult decisions - WHICH BAND WOULD WE HAVE TO MISS BECAUSE OUR OTHER FAVORITE BAND WOULD BE PLAYING ON ONE OF THE OTHER 10 STAGES!!

Friday Night ~ The inaugural night of the festivities. Poncho's on, slogging through the mud in our boots, we had our first decision to make. Incubus, Sean Costello, David Lee Roth, Jethro Tull or Bo Diddley? Hmmmm... flip a coin? I had to opt for David Lee Roth - and I was most satisfied with my decision! David in his gold lame body suit and over-bleached blonde hair still has his spunk. Yes Dave, you can be My Ice Cream Man.

Saturday Afternoon ~ Poncho in pocket, I spent the afternoon at the 99X Stage with Adema, Pete Yorn and Counting Crows. By spending time there I missed Flickerstick (the VH1 band), Bone Thugs N' Harmony,



Mark Farner of Grand Funk Railroad and the Georgia Satellites (just to name a few of the diverse group of artists that came together for one common reason - to make music for the people).

Saturday Evening ~ tough call as well. Bush, Stone Temple Pilots, Skid Row, Kid Rock, Joan Jett and the Blackhearts and the Ohio Players. We all went our own way and by the grace of the walkie talkies we ended up together for Kid Rock - who had a slight case of laryngitis, "But at least he showed up" or something like that - right guys?

Sunday Afternoon ~ Poncho's in the hotel room, the musical smorgasbord continued with Lake Trout, Disco Biscuits, Remy Zero, Garbage, Karl Denson and my personal favorite, Better Than Ezra. After pulling a member from the audience to finish "This Time of Year", we were all made aware of the guitar talent of one Paul Gallagher. This random person blew the socks off, not only everyone in the crowd, but every member of the band. Who knows, I may have witnessed a new member of Better Than Ezra!

The festival came to an end Sunday evening with Bela Fleck and the Flecktones, Puddle of Mudd, Bonnie Raitt, Journey, Ja Rule and No Doubt. We found ourselves "Walking though a Spider Web" back to our hotel when the night ended.

Why would you want to know about a festival in Atlanta? So you can realize the possibilities! We shouldn't have to go that far to hear such a diverse group of musicians. We all need to embrace the idea, and bring the festivals here.

### NUMA

"We are committed to increasing the public's exposure to and awareness of musical diversity"

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# What's that Echo in your Brain?

by Jim Keyes (\*excerpts courtesy of Echobrain.com)

When vocalist/guitarist Dylan Donkin says that the title of his band, Echobrain, comes from the "voices in my head", you know you're in for an interesting listen. Consider that their self-titled debut is the result of freewheeling jam sessions between Donkin, funk/jazz drummer Brian Sagrafena and former Metallica bassist, Jason Newsted, and it gets *real* interesting.\* The sound of the band is a mix of psychedelic blues and jazzy, jam band elements, but rooted in a hard rock place reminiscent of Soundgarden.

These guys have been jamming in Newsted's garage based studio known as "The Chophouse" since the band first met six years ago at a friends Super Bowl party. They have had the ten songs on the first record complete for some time now, but one of the rules for Jason Newsted, as a member of Metallica, was no side projects.

In 1999, Donkin and Sagrafena took a trip to Baja, Mexico with musician and artist type friends, which turned out to be a huge songwriting inspiration. The two came back home and laid down some tunes on an eight track. Newsted had just come back from a Metallica tour and called Donkin and Sagrafena for a jam session. Newsted heard the songs and was blown away by the music, especially the song "Colder World".

*"He just has this music flowing from him. There are people who you come across in life that are truly blessed. They have such a gift that it seems like they're actually channeling it from somewhere else. That's Dylan" - Jason Newsted\**

In May, 2000 the three went into a studio to record and Newsted soon found that the music he was playing was more fun and challenging than what he had been doing recently with Metallica.

On January 17, 2001, Jason quit Metallica and devoted himself entirely to his so-called side project, Echobrain. Now that Metallica can no longer stand in the way of Echobrain's self titled debut album, they have hit the road to bring the music to the people.

Friday, April 26, 2002, was the first show of their first national tour and they chose to groove us in the City of Salt, at Club X-scape (formerly DV8) . The show had an unusually early start time of 6:30pm. But what the hell man, lets get the party started early! They blasted straight into "Colder World" and Dylan Donkin definitely showed us his vocal ability. Next up "The Feelings Over" and the new video single "Keep Me Alive". They played a few tunes off their next record (still to be recorded), "Tommy Boy", the bluesy "Dogfight", and the spaced out "Jellyhead". One of the highlights of the show, for me, was the fifteen minute all jammed and bassed out "Cryin' Shame". The covers, "Dazed And Confused" from Led Zeppelin, and a dose of Black Sabbath's classic "Sweet Leaf" wrapped up one of the most Brain blowing shows I have seen in recent memory. Pay close attention to this band, they are going to be huge. And you can quote me on that!

To find out more about Echobrain, check out their website: [www.echobrain.com](http://www.echobrain.com).



from l. to r.: Dylan Donkin, Brian Sagrafena, Jason Newsted

## TOP 5

### Jim Keyes

Ok, here is a shot at my top fives. Mine vary, for I keep an open mind when it comes to music. Based on today's mood, here we go:

#### Albums

- 1 Without A Net - Grateful Dead
- 2 And Justice For All - Metallica
- 3 Alive - Kiss
- 4 Ten - Pearl Jam
- 5 Probably some other Dead show I have in my collection

#### Artists

- 1 Bob Weir & Jerry Garcia
- 2 Jimi Hendrix
- 3 The Beatles
- 4 The Banyan
- 5 Jay Lane, Rob Wasserman & DJ Logic (they got it going on!)

## PARTY FOR THE PEOPLE KRCL's Day In The Park

courtesy of [www.krcl.org](http://www.krcl.org)

KRCL community radio presents "Day in the Park 2002". This free event will be held Saturday, June 8, in Jordan Park, 1060 South 900 West in Salt Lake City, from 11am to 8pm.

After mounting a successful (but exhausting) capital campaign to acquire a new building for the station, KRCL's Day in the Park can happen once again. KRCL is bringing back the community celebration, Day in the Park, for the first time since 1999.

Local bands and musicians will be performing on two stages; there will be fantastic activities for children; and participation by several nonprofit groups will make the day a rich one.

Scheduled to perform at Day in the Park are the Triggerlocks, Ritmo Caliente, Gigi Love with Melissa Warner, ele, Infusion, Inish, Whipple, the Van Lizard String Band, the Weber River Blues Band, and others.

Jordan Park is in the same community as the new KRCL studios, Poplar Grove. It is also the home of the International Peace Gardens. Right along the Jordan River, the facility has a new skate park and other attractions that make it the perfect place to present the party for the people.

Tree Utah, the Great Salt Lake Audubon Society, the Recycling Coalition of Utah, and others will present scheduled activities for kids. These all-day children's activities include tours of the Bend-in-the-River site, art, games, and fishing.

KRCL, Salt Lake's community radio station, has been broadcasting alternative music and

public affairs programming since 1979. KRCL's mission as a nonprofit, noncommercial station is to provide a forum to the voices that would otherwise be unheard.

Join us in the celebration of our community!



# LOCAL SPOTLIGHT

Article submitted by Chango

Chango brings all the foot-stomping, hip-pumping grooves that have rarely been experienced in Happy Valley. Melding an eclectic mix of blues and R&B, Chango's tunes will wake you, shake you, and shoot you full of rhythm and blues.

With six members, hailing from California, East Texas, Chicago and Utah, Chango combines a truckload of talent and over 180 years of combined playing experience. The result is genuine inspired entertainment.

With musical influences ranging from Eric Clapton and Robert Cray to Freddie King and Joe Turner, Chango carries a rich assortment of backgrounds and styles.

Out front are the vocals of the energetic and beautiful Jill Hoffmann whose presence calls up the funk of Etta James and the flash of Koko Taylor. Laura Fisher's piano licks will briskly move you out onto the floor and up to the ceiling, where you will be mesmerized by Dave Wark's incendiary and rhapsodic guitar playing. Lee Gyllenskog's harmonica packs a full can of musical whoopass and John

Wyllie's driving Fender bass carries the Beat of the Jungle for the undulating masses. Vince Martin marks out the steady drumming that fills the night with music. If you're not yet dead, you and your fine frame will love this band, thanks to the skill and creativity of our fly sound man, Mr. Rob Johnson.

Bold and brazen, Chango is bound to please both young and old with a diverse and unique arrangement of selections. Rock on with Chango...

Chango will be appearing at Logan's Summerfest, Saturday June 15th

at 6PM and possibly hosting another Logan event later that evening (watch for our posters). Subsequently we will be appearing at Sultan's Tavern in Logan, July 19/20th, Aug 23/24th, and Sept 27/28th. Drop us a line. Come to Summerfest . The groove machine is truly infectious, a little disease we all needs!

To find out more about upcoming Chango events you can sign up for their email list by writing to: ChangoTheBand@hotmail.com.

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### June

- 1 - Jerry Joseph & The Jack Mormons - Zephyr Club\*, SLC Tanglewood - Beatniks\*, Ogden
- 2 - Israel Vibration - Harry O's\*, Park City
- 3 - Johnny Rawls - Dead Goat Saloon\*, SLC
- 4 - Johnny Rawls - Beatniks\*, Ogden  
Mike Watt and the Secondmen - Liquid Joes\*, SLC
- 5 - Lit & Butch Walker - X-scape\*, SLC
- 7 - Fhuda - Sultans Tavern\*, Logan
- 8 - Fhuda - Sultans Tavern\*, Logan
- 9 - Fruit - Dead Goat Saloon\*, SLC  
Jethro Tull & Young Dubliners - Morrison Center, Boise, ID
- 13 - Matthew Moon - The White Owl\*, Logan  
Mother Hips - Zephyr Club\*, SLC  
Fat Paw - Harry O's\*, Park City
- 16 - Lyle Lovett - Kingsbury Hall, SLC
- 17 - Deborah Coleman - Dead Goat Saloon\*, SLC
- 18 - Lyle Lovett - Snow King Ice Arena, Jackson Hole, WY
- 20 - Christopher Hawley - The White Owl\*, Logan
- 21 - Lucinda Williams - Harry O's\*, Park City
- 23 - Fat Paw - Port O' Call\*, SLC  
Nanci Griffith & Todd Snider - Red Butte Gardens, SLC  
Roy Rogers & The Delta Rhythm Kings - St. Chapelle Winery, Boise, ID
- 25 - Cowboy Junkies - Red Butte Gardens, SLC  
Railroad Earth - Mangy Moose\*, Teton Village, WY
- 27 - Jogan Janes - The White Owl\*, Logan  
Charlie Musslewhite & Duke Robillard - Zephyr Club\*, SLC
- 28 - John Hiatt - Red Butte Gardens, SLC  
Railroad Earth - Zephyr Club\*, SLC  
Charlie Musselwhite - Mangy Moose\*, Teton Village, WY
- 29 - Social Distortion - X-scape\*, SLC

### Festivals:

- June 8 - KRCL's Day In The Park (free), Jordan Park, SLC, UT - Triggerlocks, Ritmo Caliente, Inish, Whipple, The Kate MacLeod Band, ele, Van Lizard String Band, Gigi Love & Melissa Warner, Infusion, Weber River Blues Band \* 21 and over only, ID required
- June 15 - Salt Lake City Folk & Bluegrass Festival, Gallivan Center, SLC, UT - Stacey Board, Ridin the Fault Line, Doug Wintch, Frontline, Celeste Krenz, The Kathy Kallick Band, Alice Peacock & Open Road (Call 535-6110 for more info)
- June 13-15 - Summerfest Art & Music Faire (free), Logan, UT - Sun House Healers, Chango, Ryan Shupe and The Rubber Rubberband, Peter Brienholt and The Big Parade, Local Grown, Salsa Brava, The Taylor Smith Band, Julie Hill and Hazel Sally, Eclipse, Colors, Hillside Nine, Shanahy, and many more
- June 20-23 - Utah Arts Festival, SLC, UT - Robert Cray Band, Salsa Brava, Guarnari Underground, Stonefed, Saliva Sisters, General Rude, Ryan Shupe and the Rubberband, Nova Paradiso, Kate MacLeod, Mambo Jumbo, Insatiable, Peter Breinholt & many, many more
- June 28-30 - Boise River Festival, Boise, ID - Blues Traveler, Leftover Salmon, The Young Dubliners, Indigenous, Creedence Clearwater Revisited, Fruit, Duffy Bishop, Jim Morris, Chris Duarte Group, Quetzal, Karl Denson's Tiny Universe & more TBA
- June 28 & 29 - Mystic Hot Springs, Monroe, UT - Railroad Earth, Ancient Harmony, Moses Guest, Shanti Groove, The Kofi Baker Band, Mountain of Venus & Psychedelic Breakfast
- June 29 & 30 - Wind River Music Festival, Pinedale, WY - Indigenous, Charlie Musselwhite, Ian Moore, Chris Duarte Group, Tab Benoit, Rory Block

### July

- 1 - Blues Traveler, Leftover Salmon, Karl Denson's Tiny Universe - Snow King Ballroom, Jackson, WY
- 2 - Particle - Zephyr Club\*, SLC
- 3 - Leftover Salmon - Harry O's\*, Park City
- 4 - Lt. Dan - The White Owl\*, Logan
- 5 - Dr. Didg - Mystic Hot Springs, Monroe, UT
- 6 - Richmond Fontaine - Zephyr Club\*, SLC
- 7 - Indigo Girls - Red Butte Garden, SLC
- 8 - W.C. Clark - Dead Goat Saloon\*, SLC
- 9 - W.C. Clark - Beatniks\*, Ogden
- 11 - Danny Godinez - The White Owl\*, Logan  
Bruce Hornsby - Red Butte Gardens, SLC
- 12 - Robert Walter's 20th Congress - Zephyr Club\*, SLC
- 13 - Tea Leaf Green - Mystic Hot Springs, Monroe, UT
- 14 - Jerry Jeff Walker - Red Butte Gardens, SLC
- 16 - Reel Time Travelers - Mystic Hot Springs, Monroe, UT
- 18 - Bernie Worrell and the Woo Warriors - Harry O's\*, Park City
- 20 - Tool & Tomahawk - E Center, SLC
- 22 - Big Jack Johnson and the Oilers - Dead Goat Saloon\*, SLC
- 23 - Femi Kuti - Red Butte Gardens, SLC  
Big Jack Johnson and the Oilers - Beatnik's\*, SLC
- 25 - Fhuda - The White Owl, Logan\*
- 29 - Magic Slim and the Teardrops - Dead Goat Saloon\*, SLC

### August

- 1 - Sun House Healers - The White Owl\*, Logan
- 23 - Young Dubliners - Deer Valley Resort, Deer Valley
- 28 - Melissa Etheridge - Deer Valley Resort, Deer Valley  
Nickel Creek - Red Butte Gardens, SLC
- 30 - Bob Dylan - Deer Valley Resort, Deer Valley  
Arlo Guthrie - Sandy City Amphitheater, Sandy