

the first stone

Press Kit



Biography



The First Stone is an eclectic culmination of working-class musicians based out of Atlanta, Georgia. Their sound is best described indie-folk-rock infused with funk. TFS is led by front man Brian Kelly on guitar and vocals. Brian has spent time in Chattanooga, TN., Athens, and Augusta, GA as a solo artist and with other full band projects (Drive South, Tony Kick). Dave “Danger” Baranik keeps the groove alive on bass while Aubrey Bailey balances it all out on percussion and drums. Dave has played with bands such as Swoon 19 and The Funktron Bomb. Aubrey’s musical past includes bands such as Bound and Great White Dolemite. Guitar player Nate Kieser hails from Peoria, IL and has performed all across the country. He brings unique guitar riffs and a killer sound to the band.

TFS officially formed in early 2008 and after contemplating what they should do for a practice space; they compromised and built the “home office studio” in Brian’s garage. From there it’s history; after recording their first EP in the “office studio” with Atlanta Live Recording, the band got off to a great start with its first gig at one of Atlanta’s classic music venues “The Red Light Cafe.” From there, shows piled up and their SouthEastern US tour brought them many new fans and true ones who all wanted the “real” album.

After months of writing songs and rehearsing, The First Stone recorded their first first full length album at Southern Tracks Studios in Atlanta, GA in the fall of 2008 with producer Stephen Morrison. Southern Tracks is the premier studio in the SouthEastern US with recording artists such as Bruce Springsteen, Aerosmith, Faith Hill, Sugarland, and Incubus recording and producing their albums in recent years. Previous years, you could have heard artists such as Aretha Franklin, Soundgarden, Pearl Jam, Bob Dylan, & The Temptations.

Two months worth of studio time at Southern Tracks studio provided ample time to release their new album “Quarter To Never” which is now available through their website at: <http://www.thefirststoneband.com> and SNOCAP. Their hit song “Walking Away” is gaining airplay at college campus nationally and available as an mp3 download free of charge through their website. The First Stone continues to hit milestones opening up for national acts such as Nicholas Megalis, Grand Prize Winners From Last Year, Sonnen, and Jason Lyles & The Sonic Avatars. Keep your ears wide open for this great new band The First Stone.

General Info

Members:

Brian Kelly: Lead Vocals, Guitar, Piano
Dave Baranik: Bass Guitar
Aubrey Bailey: Drums, Percussion
Nate Kieser: Lead Guitar, Piano, Wurlitzer

Live Sound Requirements:

Stage must be a minimum of 24' wide x 18' deep.
16 channel mixing console with a minimum of 2 aux sends for monitor mixes.
2 Vocal Mics - Center Stage and Stage Left - Boom mic stands for each (SM58s are acceptable)
4 Monitors - Center Stage, Stage Right, Stage Left, Drums
1 Direct Box - Acoustic Guitar
2 Guitar Amp Mics (SM57s are acceptable)
1 Bass Mic/ DI
5 Drum Mics (3 Tom, 1 Snare, 1 Kick)
Overhead Mics are optional based on Room.

Original Songs:

The First Stone
Are You With Me
Lucky Day
Hide Away
What About You
#13
Blue
With A Little Luck
Got My Doubts
The Hard Way
This Time
Sandbox
Road to Athens
Ordinary
Too Far Behind
Walkin Away
Soon
Look Away
Mysterious Woman
Close to Nothing
Cajun Jive
2 weeks
When It's All Said and Done

Shortened List of Cover Songs:

(please ask about others covers played)
Wagon Wheel – Old Crow Medicine Show
Don't Move – Butch Walker
Ain't No Reason – Brett Dennen
Rodeo Clowns – Jack Johnson
Sunshine – Josh Rouse
Always Love – Nada Surf
Seen It All Before- Amos Lee
Let it Ride – Ryan Adams and the Cardinals
16 Days – Whiskeytown
Brown-Eyed Woman - Grateful Dead
Taylor – Jack Johnson
Mr. Jones – Counting Crows
Where the Streets Have No Name- U2
Night Train – Amos Lee
Anthem – Phantom Planet
Every Monday – Marvelous 3
All Along the Watchtower - Dylan
1979 - Smashing Pumpkins
The Ground Beneath Her Feet - U2
I shot the sheriff - Bob Marley
#41 - Dave Matthews Band
Shattered - O.A.R.
Please Forgive Me - David Gray
Your Love - The Outfield

Genres:

Acoustic
Alt. Rock
Contemporary/Soft
Rock
Folk
Funk/Groove
Indie Rock
Pop,
Rock
Singer/Songwriter
Soul/Funk

Booking Agent:

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Booking Options

Full Band Performance Options:

- A four hour show consisting of three one-hour sets with two twenty- minute breaks.
- A three hour set consisting of two seventy-five minute sets and one twenty minute break.
- One ninety-minute show including original songs and cover songs.
- Forty-five-minute, all original music show.
- For other options, please email: booking@thefirststone.com

Acoustic, Two-man show featuring Brian Kelly and Nate Kieser

- A four hour show consisting of three one-hour sets with two twenty-minute breaks.
- Ninety-minute show
- Forty-five minute show
- For other options, please email: booking@thefirststone.com

Listen to Music, view more pics, and see tour dates:

- <http://www.thefirststone.com>
- <http://www.myspace.com/thefirststonemusic>

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