



Shark Hat's new album, *Shark Hat II*, released spring 2009

After putting out its first, self-titled album as a quintet in 2004, the band went back to the drawing board and came back as a leaner, meaner four-piece. Two guitars, bass, and drums, with up to three singers on a given track, deliver a rootsy, jamming style that takes a little bit from many genres of music. Quoting the song "Kentucky Woman," the centerpiece of the new *Shark Hat II*, we'll call it "rock-infused funk and country blues."

Over the past several years, Shark Hat has spent time reinventing its sound, writing great songs, and playing shows at favorite haunts, mostly in New York, New Jersey, and Vermont. Now, with a new album of original music, the band is poised to deliver a fun and memorable musical experience to listeners hungry for well-crafted songs performed by a tight unit of inspired players.

Shark Hat is:

Kevin McDonald -- guitar, vocals

Enzo Ricci -- guitar, vocals

Steve Leroy -- bass, vocals

Michael Parillo -- drums, vocals



Shark Hat fact sheet

- The band has been playing and recording for over 10 years. That's longer than most marriages!
- Shark Hat is unsigned and sells music at shows and through iTunes and CD Baby.
- The title *Shark Hat II* is both a nod to classic second albums such as *Led Zeppelin II* and *Van Halen II* and a mark of the second incarnation of the band.
- *Shark Hat II*, like the band's debut album, was recorded at Mix-O-Lydian in Lafayette, NJ, with engineer Don Sternecker.
- Like most of the group's favorite music, *Shark Hat II* was tracked live, with an ear for strong full-band performances and without worrying about instrument bleed. Unlike its predecessor, it features minimal overdubs.
- Group influences include Bob Dylan, the Band, the Grateful Dead, Led Zeppelin, the Beatles, Miles Davis, Johnny Cash, Elvis Costello, Ween, James Brown, John Scofield, the Allman Brothers, Jeff Beck, Grant Green, Indonesian folk music...

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