

# Julien Kasper Band



"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*

## Trance Groove Fact Sheet

Band Origin: Boston, MA

The Julien Kasper Band consists of:

- Julien Kasper: guitar
- Zac Casher: drums
- Jesse Williams: bass

Album release information:

- Latest CD, TRANCE GROOVE released April 20, 2010 by Toulcat Records; distributed exclusively by City Hall Records.
- TRANCE GROOVE features guest appearances by T Lavitz (of *The Dixie Dregs*, *Widespread Panic* and *Jazz is Dead*) and Matt Jenson on Hammond B3 organ, James Driscoll (bass) and Rob Avsharian (drums).
- All tracks written and produced by Julien Kasper, Rudybear Music, BMI
- TRANCE GROOVE was recorded by Chris Rival at Middleville Studios; mastered by Dave McNair at Sterling Sound; cover photography by David Lee Black, graphic design by Tina Meadors and Dominic Pretera.
- Previous releases: THE NEW IMPERIAL (2006), FLIPPING TIME (2003)



Additional Information:

- Julien Kasper is a Professor on the guitar faculty at Berklee College of Music in Boston, where he teaches performance labs he developed on Jimi Hendrix and Jeff Beck, as well as private lessons and classes that encompass rock, jazz and blues. Julien is also an avid all-season surfer.
- Julien has performed or recorded with The Bruce Katz Band, Pat Ramsey, Mighty Sam McClain, Iko Iko, Michelle Willson, and Jim Weider.
- Zac Casher has performed or recorded with Mighty Sam McClain, Imani Coppala, Johnny Adams, and The Ken Clark Organ Trio.
- Jesse Williams has performed or recorded with Al Kooper, Duke Robillard, Tony Lynn Washington, Ronnie Earl, John Hammond, Percy Sledge, Maria Muldaur, Marsha Ball and many others.
- Julien Kasper uses GHS strings; Zac Casher uses Vader drumsticks and Zildjian cymbals; Jesse Williams uses Thomastik-Infeld strings.

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