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King of Hearts and kulaBrands Music, Forge New Fan Driven Music Model

When you add some of today's most respected artists including **Timothy B Schmit (Eagles)**, **Peter Cetera (Chicago)** and **Phil Collen (Def Leppard)**, the sound of **King Of Hearts** is...

## "Modern Classic Rock"

As if this line up of some of the best in classic rock isn't enough, ...**Jeffrey "Skunk" Baxter**, known for his stints in the rock bands **Steely Dan** and **The Doobie Brothers**, will be joining King of Hearts live on stage to play a few hit songs from the past on July 12th... This event will be the bands official **CD release party for this new album**...celebrating with many of their close friends in the industry...just one more reason not to miss this epic event. King of Hearts is going to Rock the Canyon!!

"We're so excited to be back in the studio again!" says King of Hearts founding member, Tommy Funderburk. The group's lead vocalist has good reason to be elated. However, it's not just because King Of Hearts has recorded a fabulous new album, it's rather that they are recording at all!"

Funderburk explains, "After some really disappointing experiences with traditional labels, we teamed up with a truly revolutionary crowd funding company **kulaBrands**, that funded our studio and production time, allowing the band to record the basic tracks for the new album in **Jonathan Cain's (Journey) new, state-of-the-art studio in Nashville** and added some very special friends at **producer/engineer/keyboardist, CJ Vanston's TreeHouse studios in Los Angeles**. On top of that, kulaBrands will also be driving social media marketing, sales & distribution in a really passionate way, now and well into the future. Kula was exactly what we were looking for."

"**King Of Hearts members constitute** a who's who of writers and players including **Tommy Funderburk** vocals (**Airplay, Boston**), **Bruce Gaitsch** guitar (**Madonna, Richard Marx**), **CJ Vanston** - keyboards (**Toto, Spinal Tap**), **Keith Carlock** - drums (**Steely Dan, Sting**) and **John Patitucci** - bass (**Herbie Hancock, Chick Corea**).

Band manager, **George Nunes**, former VP Sales & Marketing Capital records says, "If you were to mix the sound of the Eagles, Don Henley, Bruce Hornsby, Toto and Def Leppard with a splash of Keith Emerson and Coldplay, what would that sound like?" It sounds awesome! We started referring to it as Modern Classic Rock because of all the different elements and textures to the music we were creating."

King Of Hearts is also proud to support **Songwriting With:Soldiers**. Come Celebrate with the band and their official **CD release party for this new album... July 12th at the Canyon Club in Agoura Hills, California**. Joining them will be **special guest, multi-platinum songwriter James House**. James has penned number one hits for Rod Stewart, Tina Turner, Dwight Yoakam and Martina McBride and has co-written 20 songs with legendary blues guitarist, Joe Bonamassa. King of Hearts looks forward to Celebrating with you...the fans!

More details visit : [www.KingofHearts.Media](http://www.KingofHearts.Media)

According to Vanston, "King Of Hearts might be the most famous band you've never heard! But, while you might not know the band by name, you've heard the members on thousands of hit recordings for some of the world's most successful artists."



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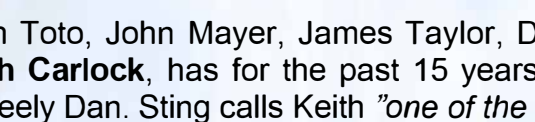


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## AND JUST WHO IS THIS BAND?

In addition to recording with Toto, John Mayer, James Taylor, Diana Ross, Larry Carlton and many more, drummer, **Keith Carlock**, has for the past 15 years been the driving force in the studio and on the road for Steely Dan. Sting calls Keith "*one of the greatest drummers in the world*."

Multi Grammy winner, bassist, **John Patitucci**, has played on countless albums and toured with artists such as B. B. King, Bonnie Raitt, Chick Corea, Wayne Shorter, Herbie Hancock, George Benson, Dizzy Gillespie, Wynton Marsalis, and Sting. In 1986, John was voted by his peers as the National Academy of Recording Arts and Sciences MVP on Acoustic Bass and most recently won his third Grammy as member of the legendary Wayne Shorter Quartet.

Composer, producer, arranger, keyboardist, **CJ Vanston** has worked with artists such as Prince, Toto, Def Leppard, Celine Dion, Justin Timberlake, Bob Seger and countless others. In addition to scoring the Christopher Guests films *Waiting For Guffman*, *Best In Show*, *Almost Heroes* and *For Your Consideration*, CJ has performed as musical director and keyboardist for Joe Cocker, Tina Turner, Tears For Fears and the legendary Spinal Tap along with recently produced Toto's highly anticipated album, *Toto XIV*.

Founding member and lead guitarist, **Bruce Gaitsch** has written with and for numerous platinum artists including Chicago, the number one songs "La Isla Bonita" (Madonna) and "It Don't Mean Nothin'" and "Right Here Waiting For You" (Richard Marx) and recorded with artists such as Roger Waters, Michael Jackson, Madonna, Chicago, Richard Marx, Celine Dion and many more.

**Tommy Funderburk** established his recording career with David Foster as lead vocalist in their critically acclaimed group, Airplay, singing the original recording of the classic number one song, "After The Love Is Gone." Tommy is featured on hundreds of international hit recordings with artists as diverse as Jimmy Page, Celine Dion, Whitesnake, Rod Stewart, David Foster, Toto, Bon Jovi, Heart, Elton John, Cheap Trick, Pat Benatar, Yes, Burt Bacharach, Bad Company, REO Speed Wagon, Henri Mancini, Motley Crue and Spinal Tap and was recruited by Tom Scholtz, founder of the super group **Boston**, to handle lead vocals on the band's *Walk On CD*.

Some of today's most respected studio musicians and legendary artists are adding their talents to the album including Timothy B Schmit (Eagles), Peter Cetera (Chicago), Phil Collen (Def Leppard), Chris Rodriguez (Kenny Loggins, Michael McDonald, Vince Gill), Janey Clewer (Sarah Brightman, Julio Iglesias, George Benson) and more.

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