

The Mondegreens



Nathan McKeever Photography - El Rey Theater 2016

“Hard to define, easy to enjoy – The Mondegreens pull from a variety of inspirations and sources to craft an indie-pop sound that is heavy on melody with oh-so-sweet harmonies.”

Marty Taylor - The Roots Cellar

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BIOGRAPHY

The Mondegreens is a group of five Seattle-based musicians, carving out a niche in the city’s prolific indie rock scene, one that centers on wide dynamic swings and ever present three-part harmonies. The group’s two frontmen, David Friedlander and Russell Rabut, draw on over a decade of singing together, spinning harmonic webs across the peaks and valleys of the group’s vibrant sound, their voices as likely to combine over a selection from Neil Young’s back catalog, as a slacker rock anthem from their youth.

Raised in the college town of Chico, CA, original members, Friedlander (bass) and Rabut (guitar), founded the band amidst the throes of a 2013 Christmas party. Along with drummer, Scotty Jenkins, the group toured the western U.S. for three years, before leaving their hometown, in favor of Seattle’s fertile ground. Since the relocation, the lineup has expanded to include accompanists, Joe Davis (guitar), and Noah Kapioski (keyboard), both of whom draw on classical backgrounds.

In late 2016, the band released their second studio album, “A Passing Phrase,” a diverse collection of original songs that culminates in their guitar-driven take on the haunting Elliott Smith classic, ‘Twilight,’ recorded at Phil Elverum’s (The Microphones, Mount Eerie) beautiful Anacortes, WA studio, The Unknown. 2016 also saw the Mondegreens sharing the stage with Avi Buffalo, Brothers Comatose, Jelly Bread, Rainbow Girls, and Marty O’Reilly. As the new year warms up, you will find them howling and stomping their feet across stages from festivals to living rooms, and everything in between.

RECENT SHOWS

June 2017 - **Sunset Tavern** - Seattle, WA w/ The Donkeys
May 2017 - **Nectar Lounge** - Seattle, WA - The Meltdown Showdown
December 2016 - **LOST On Main** - Chico, CA - Annual Mondegreens Holiday Show
September 2016 - **Tractor Tavern** - Seattle, WA w/ Golden Idols
August 2016 - **Hi Hat** - Los Angeles, CA w/ Avi Buffalo
June 2016 - **SOHO** - Santa Barbara, CA w/ Rainbow Girls
April 2016 - **El Rey Theater** - Chico, CA w/ Brothers Comatose
April 2016 - **Soda Bar** - San Diego, CA
December 2015 - **Doug Fir Lounge** - Portland, OR w/ Jackalope Saints
March 2015 - **SXSW** - Austin, TX - Dozen St. and Gourdough's Downtown Showcases
February 2015 - **Paradise Performing Arts Center** - Paradise, CA w/ Wynonna Judd
January 2015 - **Chico Women's Club** - Chico, CA w/ Brothers Comatose and John Craigie
August 2014 - **The Park House** - Denver, CO w/ Quiet Life and Ark Life
August 2014 - **Filling Station** - Bozeman, MT w/ All Dogs
July 2014 - **California Worldfest '14** - Grass Valley, CA

PRESS QUOTES

"Something about the heaviness of the guitars and combined with a bit of pop sensibility really fits with my musical tastes. Their harmonies were reminiscent of the Fleet Foxes, but they also imbued their music with a tad of Weezer angst and Grizzly Bear lo-fi..."

- Ryan Mandell, Santa Barbara Independent

"...The Mondegreens have an inimitable sound all their own...rooted in classic rock, with a modern indie twist...If you've ever seen these guys play live, it would seem that they were natural born performers."

- Alyssa Worley, Upgraded Living

"Their lyrics read like poetic confessionals and are remarkably honest and relatable to listeners. The Mondegreens held a passionate stage presence (not dissimilar to The Avett Brothers) with crowd interaction and sweet-as-honey harmonies...one cannot deny their growing fan base and increasing maturity as musicians. "

- Lauren Smith, The Orion



DISCOGRAPHY

KID TELL TIME (2015)



A PASSING PHRASE (2016)



Nathan McKeever Photography - Chico, CA - 2015