

APRIL ARTIST OF THE MONTH

Musician Jason Hostetter, Rockbridge Co.



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Jason is a unique talent with a unique voice. A native Appalachian, Jason's music crosses into many different genres and his live performances show that range of talent. He has built a local reputation as a great performer, and works with various local artists to make their live shows memorable wherever they perform.

Although bluegrass is his favorite and most fun kind of music to play, he performs mostly cover songs at his shows, occasionally tossing in an original piece or two.

At a young age Jason recognized his talent and desire for making music. Growing up in the 1980's, he treated himself to every kind of music that those of us in Appalachia are exposed to, including the popular rock musicians of the day. Toss in country, bluegrass and gospel that are commonplace in Appalachia, and Jason had the makings of his desire and influence for music.

Jason's influences are as varied as his live shows, crediting James Taylor, Pink Floyd, Led Zeppelin and Toni Rice as major influences. Although his live shows are mostly cover tunes, he is focusing more and more on songwriting and crafting more originals. He is planning on doing more local recording of his music to expand his music career. His goal is to dedicate all his time toward his art and travelling for more live shows throughout the region. He has played in many fun locations from the Caverns to the middle of a river, weddings, dinner and cocktail parties, bars, pubs and clubs, even performing for a local commercial.

His website is currently under development, but you can follow him and his schedule on Facebook at

<https://www.facebook.com/JasonHostetterMusic/>



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Above photo: left to right, Jason Hostetter, Jeremiah Ruley, and Matt Crance

For booking you can contact him by email at Lakerman24@live.com or at (540)570-5545. His website (under development) will be active soon and you can contact him there as well.

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