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Message to Venus

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Message to Venus is a band that proves hard work pays off. After getting the band started, and collecting everyone's different musical inspirations, Message to Venus started creating songs. According to their Facebook, these songs have "great depth, melding dreamlike sounds with unheard-of guitar strength, tight bass, high-energy drums and powerful melodic vocals." Message to Venus already have a single out, and their EP will be out at the end of 2010. The guys were nice enough to take some time to answer some questions for BandTraffic. Make sure to check out Message to Venus on the links and read more below!

-Written by [Taylor Mateman](#)

Where can fans get in touch with Message to Venus? (links)

John: We love to connect with our fans! Here are the links to our websites/social networking pages:

[Facebook](#) | [Myspace](#) | [Twitter](#)

We are on iTunes Ping as well.

Our individual Twitter accounts are:

[Jandre Nadal](#) | [John Feliciano](#) | [Edgar Ramos](#) | [Juan Font](#)

How did the band start?

John: A few years ago Jandre had this project he was trying to put together, but he couldn't seem to get musicians that were on the same page as him. So right when he was about to quit JuanMa, Edgar and I were recording a new album with our former band, De'fekt. During that same time De'fekt's singer decided to leave the band for personal reasons. Our producer, Leo Alvarez, suggested us to call Jandre, we have been friends with Jandre for many years now and have worked together in many past projects, so it was the natural thing to do. We recorded down some tracks to see how the chemistry worked and work it did! A new band was born.



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How did the name "Message to Venus" come to be?

John: Message to Venus was originally a song Jandre wrote. The song was a science fiction story but it didn't work out, but Jandre always liked the song title. Then, when we were trying to get a name for the project Jandre suggested Message to Venus. The lyrics to our songs are like short stories, so we just felt Message to Venus fits us well as a band name.

What bands influence you guys?

Jandre: Alice in Chains, Led Zeppelin, Tool, Deftones, Pantera, STP (Core album), Incubus, The Mars Volta, among many others.

John: I listen to a lot of rock bands from very diverse genres, from Tool to Paramore, from 36 Crazyfists to Coheed and Cambria. I think you are influenced in one way or another by what you listen to. I like the classical stuff like Black Sabbath, The Beatles and the modern stuff like August Burns Red, Circa Survive and Pierce the Veil. No hair metal on my iPod though.

Edgar: I'm a big 80's rock fan, The Police, Tears for Fears, etc.

JuanMa: I listen to so many styles of rock, from Alternative to Post-Hardcore and so on...

Do you guys have any albums out/working on any new albums?

John: Our single, Cold & Grey, is now available on iTunes and all other digital music stores. We will be releasing an EP titled The Envelope. It will be available before the end of 2010.

Simultaneously, we are recording a full length album. Our debut album, titled Victims & Villains, will be released sometime in 2011. We have around 95% of the album recorded. We just took a break from the recording process to finish up the EP. Once the EP is out we'll be back in the studio full force to finish the album.

What are some bands you'd like to tour with in the future?

John: The Used, Nonpoint, Sevendust, Pierce the Veil, 30 Seconds to Mars, and honestly any national act or up-and-coming band that will have us as their tour mates.

What can we expect from Message to Venus in two years?

John: Working on a second full length album and touring touring touring.

Anything else you'd like people to know about Message to Venus?

John: We want to thank all the fans for their continuous support. You know, we do music because it is what we love, but it feels great when people approach you and show their appreciation for your art. The best thing anyone that likes our music can do for us is to share it with all their friends, word of mouth is the most effective way of promotion.

Being in a rock band is what we love, what we are passionate about. We can honestly say we like every aspect of it, rehearsing, recording, playing live, but most importantly connecting with our fans. With that being said, we look forward to connecting with you all!

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