

The Mad Ants
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The Mad Ants are a rock band and recording act from Portage, Indiana whose eighth album [*International Anthem*](#) is now being featured on iTunes. (see press release below)

From their album, [*Hey, Who Paid the Rent?*](#) the song, *Elvis*, has been heard around the world in the Stephen King thriller *Sometimes They Come Back Again*, starring Hilary Swank.

The Mad Ants are known for their rocking live shows that really work up the crowd. Get ready for great guitars, pounding drums and a fun night of entertainment.

The band's live performances feature Mad Ants music, but also includes punched-up rocking renditions of classic rock songs by The Beatles, Rolling Stones, David Bowie, Elvis Presley, The Kinks, Neil Diamond, and more.

Listen to all the songs from *International Anthem* at CDBaby.com (it would be cool if you downloaded it too)... and then check out the band covering some great classic rock at MADANTS.COM

We look forward to entertaining at your venue. Please keep in touch!

Regards,

Mad Ants

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hear the new single: "Let me in"

<http://www.cdbaby.com/cd/themadants>

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

The Mad Ants release 8th album, *International Anthem*

The Portage Indiana rock band Mad Ants are out with a new album, [*International Anthem*](#), now featured on [iTunes](#) and [CD Baby](#). Download the 13-song album and get six bonus tracks free. The CD, with poster and lyrics, is available at [MadAnts.com](#).

Singer/guitarist Joel Justin leads a versatile quartet who have masterfully assembled a thought-provoking, feel-good concept album. As its title implies, “International Anthem” has a song for every corner of the world.

“This is not a concept album in the traditional sense where it's one long essay of sounds,” says Justin, “but more of a start-to-finish album for people who are willing to breathe in many styles of music.”

I.A. captures the hot mash of 70s rock and delivers fresh interpretations of Reggae, Folk, Salsa and Alt-Country, creating a diverse yet cohesive work. As the album's producer/engineer, Justin executed a recording process that gives listeners the feeling of being in the room as the band recorded it.

Songs like “Let Me In,” “PeaceTrain” and “Give It Back” slam us to the mat while “I Rule My World” and “I'm Lost” remind us our world is what we make of it. Using their hometown high school choir is a nice touch on the sensual and epic “My Rock & Roll”.

Sing-a-long melodies, danceable rhythms and infectious choruses, featuring the blazing riffs and solos of lead guitarist Ben Garcia, make every song all they can be on “International Anthem.” Drummer Clyde Selsor plays in the pocket on every tune and introduces an array of percussion. On bass, Dan Peters holds it all together with his throw-back style and an occasional rattle-your-bones note from the five-string.

International effort

Before “International Anthem” made it to market, the album's 13 songs had a stop in Salvador, Brazil where noted rock producer Andre T worked his magic mixing the tracks—as he had on [Justin's solo release “4/4”](#) that produced the top 20 Brazilian radio hit “Now.”

If you've been longing for an album that surprises you from one song to the next, this is it. “International Anthem” is best played loud, so crank up the speakers and dig in your heels.

The Mad Ants, “International Anthem”

Joel Justin: Lead Vocals, Guitar

Ben Garcia: Lead Guitar, Vocals

Clyde Selsor: Drums, Vocals

Dan Peters: Bass, Vocals

(Frank Sakelaris has come on board as the new bass player)

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THE MAD ANTS

A promotional image for the album 'international anthem' by The Mad Ants. It features the same four band members in a different pose, standing and sitting on a brick ledge. The text 'Let me in' now featured on iTunes is written in yellow. A black box contains the album title 'the mad ants international anthem' in white and colorful text. At the bottom, there is information about where to purchase the album and how to order the CD.

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Top songs on Billboard 100 — 1. Cheerleader, OMI • 2. Can't Feel My Face, The Weeknd • 3. Watch Me, Silento • 4. Lean on, Major Lazer and DJ Snake featuring MOA • 5. The Hills, The Weeknd • 6. Good for You, Selena Gomez featuring A\$AP Rocky • 7. Fight Song, Rachel Platten • 8. 679, Fetty Wap featuring Remy Boyz • 9. Trap Queen, Fetty Wap • 10. Shut Up & Dance, Walk the Moon

Portage's 'Rocket' acoustic show

TOM LOU

The rockets have always been a bit of a musical anomaly and that is what people

many moths to the flame. This little alternative act performs electric shows and stages concert on Aug. 28 in the late, lower level coffee house at Mont Porch Music (505 E. Lincolnway) in Valparaiso will be acoustic. An electric show was given in June at Memorial Opera House.

PORTAGE'S MAD ANTS MARCH IN NEW ALBUM



at the helm of the musically versatile quartet is singer/songwriter, guitarist Joel Justin who has created what he calls "a thought-provoking, feel-good concept album."

"This is not a concept album in the traditional sense where it's one long essay of sounds, but more of a start-to-finish album for people who are willing to breathe in many styles of music," said Justin of this mash of 1970s rock fused with reggae, folk, salsa and alt-country.

Still backing Justin all these years later are lead guitarist Ben Garcia, drummer Clyde Selsor, and bassist Dan Peters. The Portage High School Choir even makes a cameo appearance on the tune "My Rock & Roll."

Those who are curious to hear this latest collection of Mad Ants music can find it on iTunes and CD Baby, where downloading the 13-songs found on the physical CD version gets them six

free bonus tracks. The hard copy CD, complete with a poster and lyrics, is available at all band gigs and online at MadAnts.com.

MAD ANTS NOW MARCH TO INTERNATIONAL BEAT:

It seems the world is still "mad" about Portage's famous rock export Mad Ants who are marching once again to a more world beat on their new album, "International Anthem." Still

TICKET TRACKER



All concerts listed below are all ages unless otherwise noted. Some of the ticket prices below do not include taxes and fees.

UNITED CENTER
Unitedcenter.com

Stevie Wonder, 8 p.m. Oct. 16. \$46.70-\$167.51

THALIA HALL
thaliahallchicago.com

The Sword, 9 p.m. Dec. 12 (17 and older). \$18-\$25

MEMORIAL OPERA HOUSE, IMAGINE MUSIC FESTIVAL

mohlive.com or (219) 548-9137.

Over the Rhine, 7:30 p.m. Sept. 19

Willie Nile, 7:30 p.m. Nov. 7

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