

MASON



Biography:

Born in 1988 in Hamilton Ontario Canada, Marcus Mason (Ma-zone) has been playing live and recording for almost 20 years. "Growing up in the 90's and early 00's I've always gravitated towards the Hard Rock, Pop stylings of the late 70s, 80s and early 90's having a very distinct interest in comparison to the popular Rap, Hip-Hop and Punk Rock, Post Grunge revival at that time". Being different is no excuse and 2024 marks the first time in that span Marcus has recorded a full length album with 10 fantastic AOR pop rock tracks that stand alone as a unique artifact of the current and future AOR musicians making their mark in the rock scene. On this album Marcus arranges and writes all his music including playing all bass, rhythm guitar and lead/backing vocals. "I've always wanted to write songs that you can sing along to. Those are always the most memorable and interesting for me. My choruses in all my songs reflect that motivation". Marcus has surrounded himself with an excellent supporting cast of fantastic musicians with an extensive resume of music products that take this album to the next level. Steve Negus of legendary band Saga will be doing all the mixing and final mastering for this project. Three music videos are currently in development.

The supporting band includes the likes of

Jimmy Katone (Hit The Ground Runnin, Katone) – Drums

Peter Penhallow (Eye, Joseph Court, Bobby Barth, Vince Welnick) – Keys

Josef “Peppi” Gebhard (4-Sale) - Guitars

Special Guests include both Bella Perron (Plush), Jon Neill (Bombay, Rio, Big Talk, Starseedz), John McAfee (The Affair, Big Game, Whitehead & Mac), Markus Pfeffer (Barnabas Sky, Atlantis Drive, Lazerus Dream), Paul Piccari (Hit The Ground Runnin’, Crystal Rxxx), Steve Cocchi (Hit The Ground Runnin’) Doug Varty (Doug Varty Band, Lowdown, The Bushdoctors)



Social Media Accounts:

Instagram – 16focusrs

<https://www.instagram.com/16focusrs/>

Facebook – Marcus Mason

<https://www.facebook.com/marcus.frank.16>

Facebook Page - Band (Mason)

<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61559036835425>

Label Website

<https://lionsmusicshop.wixsite.com/lionspridemusic>

Release Info

Marcus' new debut album signed with Lions Pride music Denmark for a worldwide release entitled "I Can't Wait" which features 10 fantastic AOR hard rock, light rock songs in his own unique style paying homage to fantastic influential bands like *The Outfield*, *The Cutting Crew* and *John Waite*. This release also has an exciting updated cover of Linman's "Everybody Wants Some Love".



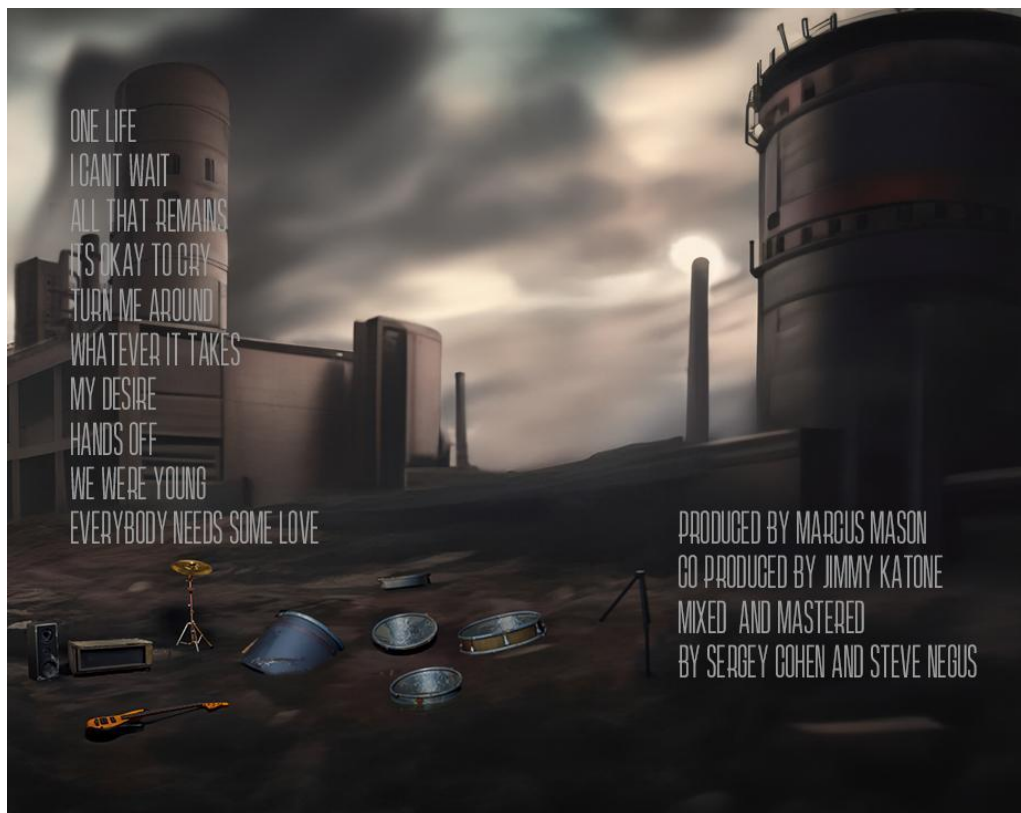
Tracklist

- 1) One Life
- 2) I Can't Wait
- 3) All That Remains
- 4) It's Okay To Cry
- 5) Turn Me Around
- 6) Whatever It Takes
- 7) My Desire
- 8) Hands Off
- 9) We Were Young
- 10) Everybody Wants Some Love (Linman Cover)
- 11) Heart 2 Heart (Bonus Track)

Music Video Stills (I Can't Wait - September 2024)



Album Artwork



Cover art by Marcus Mason

Music Sampler:

Included in this EPK is a sampler of songs from the upcoming album. The album has 10 tracks with a bonus.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=p6GEwEuMtRk>

The album sampler (As of August 2024) has over 3,300 views placing it as one of the highest sampler listens in the last 4 years of the label and the highest of this year alone.

Our first music video for “I Cant Wait” debuted on September 13th with tremendous success. As of September 18 has over 15,000 views alone with overwhelming positive feedback. This success has resulted in one of the top 10 viewed videos on the labels youtube page of over 240 posted videos.

<https://youtu.be/rT-n5HI3FaM?si=-0ox3YBMkPvw3gL7>

Additional Biography:

Outside of Music Marcus has been very successful working with other artists with their musical projects and has several re-release albums completely sold out and have charted on itunes, Amazon music internationally and in physical copies in Japan.

Some of his most successful releases he has produced:

Hit The Ground Runnin' – Sudden Impact (#1 on the Burrn! import rock chart in Japan, Feb 2022)

Hit The Ground Runnin' - Control Yourself (#15 on the Burrn! import rock chart in Japan, July 2023)

Rio – Borderland, Jukebox Heroes – Jukebox Heroes, George Hills – George Hills, Eye – Anthology
Friction – Friction , IZOD – Overdrive, GNP – GNP, Total Stranger – Total Stranger (Sold out all pressings, top 10 selling albums at Pride and Joy Music Germany)

Marcus is also a very successful author with an appearance on Breakfast Television in Toronto Canada, and the number #1 selling rock book on Amazon “The Greatest Rock And Roll Band You Never Heard Of”

Interview:

<https://www.breakfasttelevision.ca/videos/this-book-explores-the-unknown-tale-of-rock-band-hit-the-ground-runnin/>

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