

JIM HEROLD

Bass, Vocals



MUSIC EXPERIENCE

- Trumpet ('k, Cornet) first instrument at age 12
- First picked up the Bass at age 15, a really cheap Hofner Beatle Bass replica
- Taught the basics of playing bass in a rock band by Ron Graewin (thanks Ron), one of my High School science teachers.
- Learned everything I know by buying Music Theory books and reading them, and asking lots of questions of any of my friends with actual knowledge of music (you know who you are).



PREVIOUS/OTHER BANDS

- Apathy (my first band in High School). There's video footage, that I hope you will never see.
- Five Believers – Cleveland based blues trio in the 90's. Yes, there were 3 of us, look up Bob Dylan.
- Too many church worship bands to list here.
- Can't remember (I'm old, except compared to the guys in Old School), with Joe Paulsey and Rich Czaplinski in Cleveland in the 90's.
- Old School, since late 2012

INFLUENCES & PREFERENCES, ROCK HEROES, ETC

Being the 8th of 9 children, Jim grew up listening to all the music that his older siblings were into without being conscious of it. This laid down some great roots in so much great music from the 60's and 70's including Motown, Elvis, The Beatles, Jim Croce, Simon and Garfunkle; the list could go on and on. As he moved into High School in the early 80's he started being more conscious of music, and making his own decisions. This included many of the staples of 80's rock including Foreigner, Billy Squier, Twisted Sister, The Cars, Ratt, Def Leppard, The Police, Genesis; again the list could go on and on. Before long this led to a lifelong love of Rush. Jim has purchased every Rush album in multiple formats, and seen every concert tour since Grace Under Pressure in 1984. In Jim's adult life his influences have ventured into Jazz including Miles Davis, Stanley Clarke, Charles Mingus, Shez Raja, Vince Guaraldi, Victor Wooten, and on and on. Jim loves any music with a good, moving, bass line (which means Polka is out!).

Favorite bass players: Geddy Lee, Victor Wooten, Tony Levin, Bakithi Kumalo, Abraham Laboriel

Basses: Warwick Corvette Standard Fretless (primary), Ibanez BTB775PB, Lightwave (now Wilcox) Saber VL 5, Washburn MB6

Wishlist: Warwick Corvette Standard Fretted (the Fretless needs a friend), Marleaux Consat 5 Fretless (it's all about the woods)