



## Wurk LLC

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### Media Content:

[www.wurktheband.com](http://www.wurktheband.com)  
[www.wurk.bandcamp.com/releases](http://www.wurk.bandcamp.com/releases)  
[www.facebook.com/Wurktheband/](https://www.facebook.com/Wurktheband/)  
[www.instagram.com/wurktheband/](https://www.instagram.com/wurktheband/)

### Press:

[Isthmus Newspaper Article](#)  
[Madison Magazine Article](#)  
[Maximum Ink Magazine Article](#)

### Video Content

Mash-Up of Snarky Puppy, Saint Motel, Rose Royce -  
[Youtube - "What About My Type of Car Wash?"](#)  
Live set at Majestic Theater, Madison, WI -  
[Youtube - Live at the Majestic](#)  
"Dealin' with the Devil" Studio Session -  
[Youtube - "Dealin' with the Devil" \(Studio\)](#)

### Biography/Description:

Wurk is a 6-piece funk-fusion group which formed in Madison, WI in 2016. Inspired by Umphrey's McGee, Snarky Puppy, Lettuce, Phish and many others, their innovative original songs and ambitious interpretations of popular covers offer an impressive blend of jazz fusion, prog rock, jam rock and more, all with the consistent underlying grooves of funk. Wurk has opened for acts including The Motet and Andy Frasco & the U.N., and helped pack venues across Wisconsin. Described by Isthmus Magazine as "summer-jam-perfect" and two-time recipient of the Madison Area Music Association (MAMA) Artist of the Year Award (2019, 2022), Wurk fills the gap between complexity and groove, impressing fans and keeping them dancing all night.

Frank Laufenberg uses his electric guitar to provide funky rhythms and dense chord structure while filling the role of principal songwriter and vocalist. He leads the charge alongside Daniel Haschke (saxophones/flute) who hypes the crowds by leaping off of the stage and spreading his infectious joy to the dance floor. Max Morkri's blend of solid grooving and intricate drum chops paired with Casey Seymour's powerful bass lines glue the band together. Carl Hipenbecker (trumpet/synth/vocals) and touring musician Brandon Jensen (keys/synth) offer a diverse range of skills to make each tune fresh and unique.. Most of Wurk's members grew up in Mount Horeb, WI, just west of Madison; their shared background creates the band's closeness and ability to communicate complicated ideas musically.

### Awards:

2022 MAMA Artist of the Year  
2022 MAMA Song of the Year  
2020 MAMA Jazz Album of the Year  
2020 MAMA Jazz Song of the Year  
2019 MAMA Artist of the Year  
2019 MAMA Rock Album of the Year  
2018 MAMA Breakthrough Artist of the Year

### Press Photo:

[Wurk Backstage Photo](#)  
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[Wurk Crowd Photo](#)

### Logo:

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