

# Matt Cook Collective: E-Press Kit

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## Personnel:

Matt Cook, Tenor Saxophone

Joel Gordon, Alto Saxophone & Reeds

Matthew Clinkenbeard, Guitar

Nick Brown, Bass

Nate McDonald, Drums

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## Description of Group, Short:

Lead by Kansas City-based saxophonist, Matt Cook: a circle of musicians that share a passion for the improvisational jazz roots—influences draw from progressive, neoclassical, and avant garde idioms.

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## Description of Group, Long:

The Matt Cook Collective is a Kansas City-based jazz quintet with a forward thinking mindset and modern sound. This group draws from a very diverse pool of musicians to create an extremely eclectic experience.

The members of the band come from very diverse musical backgrounds and education. The group comes together to create memorable, beautiful improvised music.

Every member/guest of the group is accomplished in their own right in the world of music, playing with incredible musicians all over the country, and contributing so many of these different experiences and influences to the collective.

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## Music Clips:

Live Performance Video: “Underglow” by Joel Gordon

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Fa1oAUG5QSc>

Studio Recorded Video: “43rd and Rainbow” by Matt Cook

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Us9jHR\\_juQE](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Us9jHR_juQE)

Published Mastered Recording: “Clockwork” by Matthew Clinkenbeard

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

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## Discography:

“Along Those Lines” - Recorded January 2017, June 2017 (Radio Therapy Records)

“The Matt Cook Collective: 2016 Tour EP” - Recorded March 2016, August 2016 (Independent)

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Recent Press (past three years):

“They (Matt Cook Collective) are an evolved incarnation of what happens with talent, youth, and a pure desire to come out for the good of jazz.”

- Joe Domino, Radio Host (Neon Jazz Radio Show) [FULL INTERVIEW](#)

“Each show is a new experience for the band (Matt Cook Collective) and the audience as there’s no telling what direction it will go.”

- Andrew Gaug, Local Columnist (St. Joe Live News) [FULL ARTICLE](#)

“The members of the Matt Cook Collective are at the vanguard of an enormously promising generation of young musicians that is revitalizing Kansas City’s jazz scene.”

- Bill Brownlee, Music Writer (KCUR, The Star, Ink Magazine) [FULL REVIEW](#)
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Recent Engagements (past five years):

CLUBS/VENUES:

KC Arts Bar (Kansas City, MO)  
Westport Coffeehouse (Kansas City, MO)  
Corbin Theatre (Liberty, MO)  
The Pub (Maryville, MO)  
Pickler’s Famous (Kirksville, MO)  
Homer’s Coffee (Overland Park, KS)  
Eighth Street Taproom (Lawrence, KS)  
Des Moines Social Club (Des Moines, IA)  
California Clipper (Chicago, IL)  
WestEnd Conservatory (Milwaukee, WI)

RecordBar (Kansas City, MO)  
Green Lady Lounge (Kansas City, MO)  
Magoons Delicatessen (St. Joe, MO)  
KC Music (Kansas City, MO)  
Curtain Call Lounge (St. Louis, MO)  
Five Bar and Tables (Lawrence, KS)  
Gabe’s Iowa City (Iowa City, IA)  
Noce Jazz Cabaret (Des Moines, IA)  
Elastic Arts (Chicago, IL)  
Urban Artifact (Cincinnati, OH)

PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Park Hill High (Kansas City, MO)  
Oak Park High (Kansas City, MO)  
Platte County High (Platte City, MO)  
Kirksville High (Kirksville, MO)  
Carlisle High (Carlisle, IA)

Park Hill South High (Riverside, MO)  
Staley High (Kansas City, MO)  
Platte City Middle (Platte City, MO)  
Waukee High + Middle (Waukee, IA)  
Southeast Polk High (Pleasant Hill, IA)

OUTDOOR FESTIVALS

Parkville First Fridays (Parkville, MO)

Coleman Hawkins Jazz Fest (St. Joe, MO)

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