

Smitty and the JumpStarters

Highlights



In 2024 the JumpStarters 3rd recording was released digitally with songs "Let's Walk" and "New Orleans" reaching #1 on the Beach charts. The CD/EP was printed in 2026 in time to sell at MerleFest 2026.



The spring of 2020 the band released its' second CD titled "Let's Get Jumpstarted". Two songs reached #1 on the Roadhouse Blues and Boogie Chart along with songs appearing on the Beach Music Top 40 charts.



In June, 2021, Smitty and the JumpStarters was the first band to play on the Tanger Center stage for a special pre opening concert event. A special night for the band.

Roots Rock, R&B and Originals



Based out of Greensboro, NC, the band features upbeat songs that get your feet moving. Their music pulls styles from the roots of Rock & Roll and R&B, including West Coast Swing, Chicago Blues, Memphis Rockabilly, Elvis and a dose of Chuck Berry. This is the music the Stones, Beatles and Allman Brothers were listening to and playing at the start of their careers.

The JumpStarters take songs from 1945-1965 and give them a new twist. The common thread is it makes you move. It could be shuffling your feet or full on dancing; this music makes you move.

The Band started in 2015 and features Bryan Smith on Vocals and Guitar, Steve Blake on Saxophone, Doug Dennis on Bass and Roy Brown on Drums. The JumpStarters have played swing dances, clubs and festivals across the Carolinas, including performances at MerleFest in 2018 and 2021. These music veterans are ready to introduce this style to a whole new generation.

So bring your dancing shoes and be prepared to Shake Yo' Shimmy.

Past Event Spotlight

Steven Tanger Center for the Performing Arts Special Pre-Opening Concert, June 16, 2021

MerleFest American Music Festival, On the Dance Stage, 2018, 2021, and 2026

Lexington BBQ Festival - 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025

Wilson Whirlygig Festival 2025

Rumba on the Lumber 2016, 2022, 2025

TGIF Summer Concert Series, Morganton, NC 2024

Catawba Fest - Arts and Crafts Showcase 2024

Burlington Carousel Festival and Events 2023, 2024

Friday Night Summer Concert Series, Valdese, NC 2017, 2023

Sunset Theatre Asheboro, Rhythm and Zoo Festival, 2023

Carolina Beach Music on the Boardwalk, 2022

Piedmont Swing Dance Society Swing Dances

2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025, 2026

Scallywag's Bar & Grill Badin Lake, New London, NC- 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025

Web Site: <https://jumpstartersband.com>

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YouTube Channel: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCIYWfgK1VjCm-fHhVxPaUA>

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Smitty and the JumpStarters at a glance

- Band started in 2015, 10 years and going strong with the same personnel.
- 3 recording projects released
- 23 songs on Apple music, Spotify and all internet music sites
- YouTube channel with music and video's
- Facebook page with up-to-date gig and chart info
- Website with info, music and Electronic Press Kit
- First band to play Tanger Center for a house and production test run in June 2021
- Played Lexington BBQ every year for 10 years, including 2025
- Started playing Swing dances in 2015 and have played every year since
- Played MerleFest festival on the Dance Stage, 2018, 2021 and booked for 2026
- Four songs have charted #1, two over the past year.
- Seven songs have charted top 20 on Beach Radio between 2020-2025
- Radio airplay from over a dozen stations including Galaxy 107FM in New Zealand
- Smitty plays vintage guitars and amps

Music:

JumpStarters music is the roots of Rock, R&B and Beach. Every Rock-n-Roller gives credit to the artists we play. The music pulls styles from the roots of Rock & Roll and R&B, including West Coast Swing, Chicago Blues, Memphis Rockabilly, Elvis and a dose of Chuck Berry.

Jump Blues

Louis Jordan
Wynonie Harris
Louis Prima
Lional Hampton
Big Joe Turner
T-Bone Walker

Rockers

Elvis Presley
Carl Perkins
Jerry Lee Lewis
Fats Domino
Chuck Berry
Buddy Holly

Blues Artists

The 4 Kings
(Albert, BB,
Earl & Freddie)
Elmore James
Otis Rush
Jimmy Reed

R&B and Soul

Jackie Wilson
Gary US Bonds
Sam Cook
Joe Jones
The Coasters
Robert Parker

Other great artists

Stevie Ray Vaughn
Delbert McClinton
Robben Ford
Sonny Landreth
David Lindley
Eric Clapton

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New Single

"New Orleans" first recorded in 1960 by Gary US Bonds. Revived in 2025 by Smitty and the JumpStarters

Apple Music Spotify YouTube www.jumpstartersband.com

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NEW ORLEANS

music

www.brioLIVE.com

"New Orleans" Released February 1, 2025

Riptide Radio - Highest Chart Position #5 (spent 10 weeks at #5)
33 weeks on chart - #15 for Year 2025

SOS Radio
Highest Chart Position #1 - 34 Weeks on chart

Surfside With Don Mark
Highest Chart Position #1
25 weeks on chart - #18 for Year 2025

On The Boardwalk Top 5 with Justin Rouse
Highest Chart Position #4
5 weeks on chart - #34 for Year 2025

The Wave Countdown w/Eric Bowman
Highest Chart Position #5 - 20 weeks on chart

Regular Airplay and support in 2025 from:

Carolina Beach Party with Johnny B (Riptide Radio), The Morning Show with DJ Grant and Barbara (Galaxy 107FM New Zealand), Carolina Sounds Beach Show - Butch Halpin (multiple outlets), Blues Hangover - John Amberg - WNAA Radio (NC A&T State University, The North Carolina Show - Chris Roulhac - (Guilford College), Songlines - Kelly Craver - (Guilford College)

Photo by Joe Rose

LET'S WALK

Smitty and the JumpStarters

2024 4-song EP

NOW AVAILABLE

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"Let's Walk" Released April 16, 2024

John Hook's Beach Music Top 40
Highest Chart Position #1 - 36 Weeks on Chart

SOS (Sound of the Strand) Radio
Highest Chart Position #1 - 30 Weeks on Chart

Riptide Radio Top 30, Highest Chart Position #3 (spent 8 weeks at #3)
34 Weeks on Chart, #11 for Year 2024

On The Boardwalk Top 5 with Justin Rouse, Highest Chart Position #3
9 Weeks on Chart - #17 for Year 2024

The Wave Countdown w/Eric Bowman, Highest Chart Position #2
39 Weeks on Chart - #8 for Year 2024

Pat Gwinn At The Beach Top 15, Highest Chart Position #7
15 Weeks on Chart

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Let's Get Jumpstarted

"Let's Get Jumpstarted" Released April, 2020

"ROCK WITH ME"

John Hook's Roadhouse Blues and Boogie, went to #1 for 5 weeks with 52 weeks on the chart.
"Rock With Me" also crossed over to Fessa Hook's Beach Top 40 Chart.

It made it to #3 on that chart and spent 28 weeks there

"Rock With Me" came in as the #23 overall song on Hook's Beach Top 40 chart for the year 2020.

"LET'S GO JUMPIN"

John Hook's Roadhouse Blues and Boogie Chart, went to #1 for 4 weeks and 47 weeks on the chart.
"Let's Go Jumpin" reached #6 on The Wave (99.1) Countdown with Eric Bowman and spent 20 weeks on the chart.

"HEY! BA BA RE BOP"

"Hey! Ba Ba Re Bop" charted as high as #18 and spent 19 weeks on Fessa Hook's Beach Top 40 Chart.

It was the #54 overall song for the year 2021.

"CALIFORNIA SUN"

"California Sun" charted for 13 weeks on The Wave (99.1) Countdown with Eric Bowman.

"EXCESS IN MODERATION"

"Excess in Moderation" released May 2022. On July 2nd, 2022 it entered The Wave Top 30 Countdown with Eric Bowman and charted as high as #11 and remained on that chart for over 30 weeks.