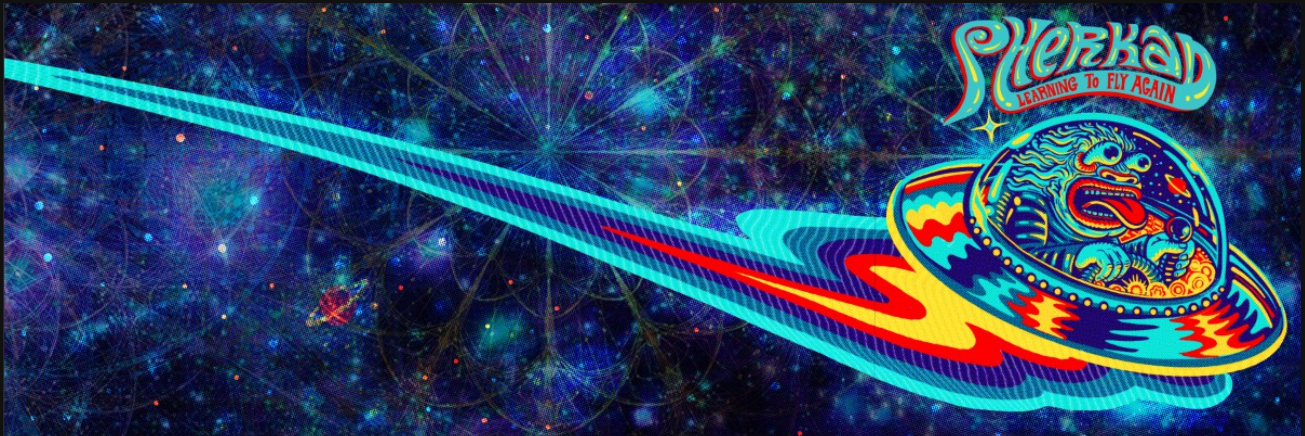


# Pherkad

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## Biography:

**Pherkad** is Albuquerque, New Mexico's premier genre bending, groove crushing jam band. Although they will occasionally touch a semi-obscure or loved cover tune, they spend a substantial amount more time crunching out groovy and thoughtful original tunes. In fact, the band spends a substantial amount of that time traveling through deep improvisational and instrumental spaces. Extended ten minute songs are common at live **Pherkad** shows and epic half hour jams mashing songs into one another aren't uncommon at all either. Simply put- these dudes get down.

*"Pherkad arrives from out of the dusky, dreamy realm of the jam band, combining nuanced traces of a multitude of other genres—including jazz, rock and folk—to make a rocanrol stew that is intriguing, tasteful and totally, incomparably experimental. [...]heir output is authentically psychedelic, not "psych," a good thing when listening to the galaxy for proof of intelligent life."*

*-August March, The Alibi Weekly Newsletter, V. 27 No. 12*

Named after a star in the Little Dipper constellation once believed to be one of the "Guardians of the Center of the Universe", **Pherkad** now celebrates 10 years of music making and merriment. Originally a duo consisting of guitarist Jason Bowers and drumming lead-vocalist "Cheese", **Pherkad** has grown into a four-piece jam band paving a path through the comfortable and familiar and well beyond into the sonic unknown. Next to join the outfit, chronologically, was talented keyboardist

Zac Ramsey, who yeilds both scrunch-your-face funky and jaw-droppingly beautiful melodies. Last but not least is bassist/vocalist Chris "Chrispy" Patchett, who not only holds down the low end with deep grooves, but also showcases his songwriting talent, occasionally taking the lead on vocals. Get ready to blast off, because **Pherkad** is going to take you on a jam-tastic voyage with their well composed, tasteful and downright funky blend of music.

*"It's like fractals for the soul"*

## Band Members:

**"Cheese"** - Drums/Lead Vocals  
**Chris Patchett**- Bass Guitar/Vocals

**Jason Bowers**- Guitars  
**Zac Ramsey**- Keyboards

## Gallery:



(Photo credit: Eric Williams Photography)



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## Discography:

(2018)

### **"Learning to Fly Again"**

*(Featuring Ben Wright, Romeo Alonzo and Ezra Bussman)*

#### Tracks:

- 1- Blue Diamond
- 2- My Friend
- 3- Plans go Awry
- 4- Triage
- 5- I Don't Give a Funk
- 6- Oregon
- 7- Just...
- 8- Wrong Way
- 9- Change Yourself
- 10- Euphoric Passenger



#### **Available On:**

CD Baby:

<https://store.cdbaby.com/artist/Pherkad>

Spotify:

<https://open.spotify.com/album/0cqEQ7NWYnsOMXpKoiyp3z>

Apple Music:

<https://itunes.apple.com/us/album/learning-to-fly-again/1375354115>

YouTube:

[https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=OLAK5uy\\_IOi47BZc7qBXZFxgo6MXEg0JSiUn5b29c](https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=OLAK5uy_IOi47BZc7qBXZFxgo6MXEg0JSiUn5b29c)

(2016)

### **"Suspended in Space"**

*(Available directly from the band)*

#### Tracks:

- 1- Open Season
- 2- Young
- 3- Broken Bong
- 4- The Sickness
- 5- Until Next Time
- 6- Yin Yang



## **Live Audio:**

(Over 100 Free Streamable and Downloadable Live Shows)

## **Live Video:**

YouTube:

["I Don't Give a Funk"](#) at The Launchpad, ABQ, NM w/ R. Alonzo on sax)

On Facebook from Santa Fe Live:

[Two full live sets](#) from The Launchpad, ABQ, NM., feat. R. Alonzo on sax.

**(Set 1 starts about 9 minutes in. Set 2: ~1 hour 30mins.)**

## In The Press:

Featured on [Relix Magazine CD Sampler-June, 2018](#)

[Pherkad interview](#) featured as cover story in "Weekly Alibi" 5/16/2019



## Awards:

Voted [Albuquerque's Best Avant-Garde/Experimental Band of 2017/18](#) (*Weekly Alibi*)

## Upcoming Shows:

2025

Friday, November 21<sup>st</sup>, Plancksgiving, Phoenix, AZ

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## Social Media:

<https://www.facebook.com/PherkadMusic/>

## **Pherkad has been Joined on Stage by the Following Artists:**

**John Kadlecik**- Guitar (Darkstar Orchestra, etc.), **Chris Hauser**- Guitar (The Werks),  
**Patrick Storen**- Mandolin (Liver Down the River), **Scott Hatchey**- Guitar (Magic Beans),  
**Alex McMahon**- Guitar (The Handsome Family), **Romeo Alonzo**- Saxophone,  
**Howie Roemer**- Keyboards (Last to Know), **Dan Irion**- Mandolin (Last to Know),  
**Michael Gregg**- Guitar, **Ezra Bussman**- Dobro, **William Witt**- Guitar

## **Pherkad has Shared the Stage with/Opened for:**

Melvin Seals, The Motet, EOTO, The Werks, John Kadlecik, The Magic Beans, Brothers Gow, GrooveSession, Liver Down the River, Consider the Source, Grant Farm, Last to Know, Zenova, Russ Liquid Test, The Moves Collective, Jazz is Phsh, The Higgs, STIG, and more.

## **Festivals Played:**

Music on the Mothership (Taos Mesa Brewery, Taos, NM), Motet on the Mesa (TMB, Taos, NM), Fish Out of Water (TMB, Taos, NM), Tribal Vision (TMB, Taos, NM), Windrider (Ruidoso, NM), Ethereal Festival (Durango, CO), Mustachio Bashio (El Rey, Albuquerque/Meow Wolf, Santa Fe), Road To Rich's (Ramah, NM), Tico Time Jam Festival (Aztec, NM)

## **Past Venues:**

### **Albuquerque, NM-**

The Launchpad, The El Rey Theater, Mezcal Tequileria, Duel Brewery, Rio Bravo Brewery, Low Spirits, Marble Brewery, Marble Brewery Westside Taproom, Dialogue Brewery, The Outpost Performance Space, Inside Out, Cliff's Amusement Park

### **New Mexico-**

Meow Wolf (Santa Fe), Tumbleroot Brewery/Distillery (Santa Fe), Leaf and Hive (Santa Fe), Taos Mesa Brewery (Taos), Cloudcroft Brewery (Cloudcroft), Tico Time Resort (Aztec)

### **Arizona-**

Last Exit Live (Phoenix, AZ), Cactus Jack's Tavern (Phoenix, AZ), The Raven Cafe (Prescott, AZ), Flagstaff Brewery (Flagstaff), The Green Room (Flagstaff), Sky Bar (Tucson, AZ)

### **Colorado-**

Animas City Theatre (Durango), Your Mom's House (Denver), Syntax Physic Opera (Denver, CO), The Flight Club (Breckenridge, CO)

### **California, Nevada, Texas-**

The Mint (Los Angeles, CA), The Kraken (Estacada, CA), Sand Dollar Lounge (Las Vegas, NV), Boulder Dam Brewery (Boulder City, NV), Neon Rose (El Paso, TX)

