

Non-Fungible Acid Bears • Fuck Crypto, Real Family Shit

What's in a Name?

*NFA stands for **Non-Fungible Acid Bears**—a playful riff on crypto lingo—but it also tips the hat to the Dead anthem Not Fade Away **and** the classic "Not Financial Advice" disclaimer. Call it a triple-entendre that honors our roots, keeps things playful, and says: **fuck crypto, real family shit**.*

Live Music First, Always

*Picture a **backyard potluck** or a **small bar** where a band is ripping from China Cat Sunflower straight into I Know You Rider. Deadheads dance, tie-dyes swirl in the corner, and nobody's checking wristbands. That's an **NFA Bears** show. We keep it intimate and home-grown—one week a jam band in a dive, the next an acoustic campfire set—no big promoters, no Ticketmaster, just Deadheads organizing Deadheads.*

Shows are low-cost or donation-based (often free for members) because it's about keeping the scene alive, not pocketing cash. Any member can spark a gig; if you've got the space and the idea, the family will rally to make it happen. The dream is a web of community-run shows powered by love of the music.

Shakedown 2.0: Old-School Vibes, New Twists

*When the tribe converges on a big concert or festival, look for our scrappy NFA Bears tent on Shakedown Street. Expect live art, a drum circle, and someone ready to **miracle** newcomers into the family. We team up with classic lot vendors—flash your membership token for a buck off that grilled cheese.*

*Perks are sweet, but **IRL > URL**: tech just helps us meet face-to-face; the live experience always comes first.*

Hop on the Bus (Miracles Every Day)

***Miracle Badge — Free.** Meet us in person and we'll mint you a Miracle badge on the spot. Activate it by completing a couple of quick tasks within your first month—say hi in Discord, snag a free show stub—just to prove you're human. Skip the tasks and the badge quietly expires (you can always miracle in again later).*

***Face-Value Badge — \$10.** Chip in ten bucks with any street-team Bear and get the same badge already activated—no onboarding tasks needed because your contribution shows commitment. Free or paid, everybody's equal once you're on the bus.*

Why Hold a Badge?

- **Free or discounted entry to NFA Bears shows** (badge gets you in cheap; Genesis Bears often get bigger breaks)
- **Show perks & lot discounts** (flash your badge for vendor deals or priority entry)
- **Community voice** — vote in polls, suggest the next backyard venue, or pitch new projects
- **Early dibs on limited-run merch & art drops**

Genesis Bears (Collector Tier)

We launched with **710 Genesis Bears**—trippy, hand-drawn art pieces that helped fund this whole experiment. Holding one isn't required, but it comes with extras:

- Ability to issue Miracle badges on the road
- Deeper show discounts or occasional free passes
- Louder say on big-picture proposals
- First crack at collab drops and IRL meet-ups

If that's not your scene, no worries— a regular badge gets you all the core love and perks.

The 24/7 Virtual Lot

Your badge unlocks our members-only **Discord**—a nonstop lot scene where you can swap show tapes, plan rides, or share art whenever the mood hits. It's still growing, so jump in and help shape the vibe. If Discord's new to you, a friendly Bear will point the way.

Built for Love, Not Profit

NFA Bears isn't a company. We're volunteers running on good vibes. Every dollar—from badges, merch, or tips—cycles back into venues, gear, art, or helping a Bear in need. Books are open, decisions are communal. **No sell-outs, no rug pulls**—just family looking after family.

Keeping the Flame Burning

With Dead & Co.'s big-tour era behind them—and their Sphere residency marking the sunset of that grand production—plus the recent passing of Phil Lesh, it's all too clear we're on our

own to keep the flame burning. **NFA Bears** steps up to carry the torch, stitching together grassroots shows and shared lore so the family doesn't fade away and the music never stops.

See you on the bus!