BLESST CHEST BAND BIO

w/ structural help from online Rock resource

How to Write a Website Bio That Rocks

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The Facts

Figure out what needs to be said and say it. Using bullet points or subject headers will make it easier for someone to scan the page and grab what they need. The only rule here: be brief and get to the point.

The Facts You Need:

- Mission statement (One or two sentences saying who you are and why you are doing what you are doing.) we are BLESST CHEST, we are putting out a record that we think shreds on XRAY RECS out of Portland Oregon.
- The people (This might just be you. A music project would probably list all the band members.) Jake Morris (Stephen Malkmus & The Jicks), Darrell Bourque (The Joggers) and Jay Winebrenner (31Knots).
- Major accomplishments (List a few shining moments. Could be a performance, an award, or achievement.) Not needing a singer. Writing a song that rips off the Taxi Theme. Not breaking up. Headlining the Doug Fir (2 days before christmas). Toured before smart phones.
- A quote or two from a notable media source.
 - "Blesst Chest make bizarro, acid-washed, fuzzed-out groovy tunes that sound like Ratatat's cool prog-rock

parent." Ciara Dolan, Portland Mercury.

- "Psych-punk wackos."- Two Hands Clapping.
- "The Music is rich and inventive, with the bass and guitar frequently playing synchronized melodic lines"- Mississippi Studios.
- "The Weird part of the internet returns"- comment on youtube Blesst Chest music video by user Thiscannotbeyourname.
- Your contact info (Linking to a form or contact page is fine.)
 haullinoates@gmail.com or facebook.com/blesstchest
- Timeline ([blank] was formed in 1999, etc.) [Blesst Chest] was formed in 2013-ish.

Your Story

At the heart of any great bio is a story. A good story is something that both your fans and reviewers will be compelled to pass along. It's not only valuable for your bio, it's something that should always be on the tip of your tongue when someone asks you about what you do.

Darrell, the bass player hadn't been in a band after his old band broke up and from what i gather, he was bitching about this to Jake, the drummer, and Jake said "lets start a band" and then they asked Jay, the guitar player to join, but initially he was only going to play a MIDI-Guitar to make his guitar sound like a harpsichord, pipe organ or tenor saxophone but he didn't have a lap top or the MIDI-Guitar or the money to buy them so that idea was abandoned

and BLESST CHEST was born. Hint: Your story already exists. You just need to find it.

A few things to remember:

- Don't be too referential. Avoid name dropping too much, and only mention influences that are highly notable. Jake the drummer opened for Rusted Root when he was in high school. Jay's mom got Shel Silverstein's autograph and said his teeth were really fucked up. Darrell was almost in The Lemonheads but lost Evan Dando's number.
- Have at least a few people proofread your bio. Fix those spelling or grammar mistakes. Make sure it reads well out-loud. **Jay's girlfriend did this.** if there are mistakes it is her fault.
- Add a photo to your bio page. A picture is worth a thousand words (or more).

