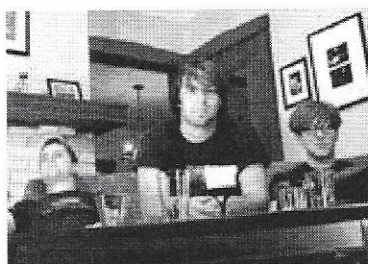




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## Mulligan

**Primary Genre:** Alternative  
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## Artist Information

### Instrumentation

Jakob Goheen - Lead Vocals, Guitar  
Derek Feltner - Bass, Vocals  
Dustin Smith - Drums

### Biography

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Starting over from a listless time of lost love and insecurity.

The eleven tracks from the band's first full length album "The Tides of Black Heart Bay" are a collection of heartbroken mutterings and puzzled screams for help, comfort, or even at their best, more pain. The songs tell a story of desire, affliction, and quiet anger that ends in reluctant resolution.

And as many endings become, a new beginning.

### Website

<http://www.mulliganmusic.com>

### Discography

The Tides of Blackheart Bay LP (Available Jan 2004)  
Grey vs. Black EP (2004)  
Hearts on Fire EP (2002)  
So Long Happiness LP (2000)

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## Press Reviews

### Change is a welcome ingredient for Kzoo's Mulligan

#### Music Revue Magazine

By H. Humbert

Music Revue Magazine

November 2004

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"It just felt right to start this band," vocalist and guitarist Goheen said. "We usually know what each other are thinking. More often than not, we already know what each other's ideas are, from what we're going to do at shows to our songwriting."

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"Life is pretty crazy. Things can be going just fine, and then it all changes. Our music reflects that. We feel that our songs are more poetic than anything. They're not about complaining. They're about taking a hard look at life, trying to understand it, and changing accordingly," Goheen said. "We're not just another whiny emo band."

And another whiny emo band, they are not. Mulligan took sixth place out of 107 bands in "The World Series of Rock and Roll," a five-month long event that took place at The Club Soda in Kalamazoo this year.

"We got to meet a lot of new people and got to hear some new bands at the World Series." drummer Dustin Smith said. "We are fans of all of the local bands, and we look at the music scene as more of a brotherhood than a competition." Competition or not, being in the event has helped the band out a quite a bit.

"We've had an exciting time since the World Series of Rock," bassist Derek Feltner said. "A lot of cool things are happening."



Cool things, yes. The band was signed to Hearts On Fire Records immediately after the event, bringing the winds of change and the support of a label to help the band along.

Mulligan has been playing shows in Detroit and Chicago as well as venues in West Michigan. Last month, the band was selected by the members of GarageBand.com to play the Grand Rapids stop on their Choozapalooza tour. One of the band's songs is rated the "Number Eight Most Bitter Break-up Song Of All Time" on the website, which features music from independent artists around the world.

"These things are all awesome," Goheen says, "But the high point is that we get to record our first full-length album."

Mulligan has been recording "The Tides of Black Heart Bay" at Dynamite Sound Project in Grand Rapids for the past few months. The record is scheduled to be released in January, with a national tour to follow.

The eleven tracks from the album are a collection of heartbroken mutterings and puzzled screams for help, comfort, or even at their best, more pain. The songs tell a story of desire, affliction, and quiet anger that ends in reluctant resolution. And as many endings become, a new beginning.

More information about Mulligan is available on the band's web site at [www.mulliganmusic.com](http://www.mulliganmusic.com).

## **Mulligan headlines college music night**

### **Kalamazoo Gazette**

Local Rock trio Mulligan cruised loudly into the final round of this summer's World Series of Rock 'n' Roll at Club Soda.

On Wednesday, the band will take the Soda stage again to headline a night of music aimed at the college crowd. The opening acts are another local band, Holistic and Detroit band Tough Call.

Mulligan has had a busy year. Besides working their way through rounds of Soda's rock series competition on the waves of their textured, fierce emo sound, they released an EP called "Grey vs. Black" earlier this year.

Now the band - lead singer and guitarist Jakob Goheen, singer and bassist Derek Feltner and drummer Dustin Smith - is preparing for the release of its first full length album, "The Tides of Black Heart Bay," sometime this fall.

Local five-piece band Holistic will use their larger lineup to open wide the door for Mulligan.

Five-man Detroit punk band Tough Call formed in late 2002, but has already managed to land gigs at big venues such as the Shelter and the Magic Stick. They list NOFX, Weezer and Pennywise as influences.

Kalamazoo Gazette  
September 24, 2004

## **Grey vs. Black EP Review**

### **Recoil Magazine, June 2004**

It's unfortunate that the often misused genre of emo has developed so many negative connotations. It's unfortunate because the genre could be used appropriately to describe the solid, melodic hardcore music made by young bands such as Kalamazoo's own Mulligan - a three-piece consisting of dual vocalists Jakob Goheen (guitar) and Derek Feltner (bass) and

drummer Dustin Smith. Like its first EP, Hearts On Fire, Mulligan's latest, Grey Vs. Black is filled with tinkling guitar runs and heartfelt, gut-wrenched vocals. The sound is similar to the material dominating Brand New's breakthrough Deja Entendu on tracks like "Tinfoil".

## The Editor's Page

### Music Revue Magazine

"As far as local music goes, I highly recommend checking out Mulligan. I heard the end of their set the other night at Club North and was amazed. This 3-piece has a killer indie rock sound that is more put together than some of the nationally or semi-nationally signed indie acts. If you get a chance, hunt these guys down."

Yvonne Glasgow,  
Editor  
Music Revue Magazine  
October 2004 Issue

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## Setlist

Our typical set includes 45-120 minutes of original material. Including the following:

This Distance in Miles  
Tuesday, We Have Fun  
Apology in Words  
Four Feet of Water  
Tinfoil  
Every Other Petal Spells Disaster  
Kill Devil Hills  
Grey vs Black

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## Basic Requirements

2 vocal, 1 guitar and 3 drum mics with stands  
PA system with monitors

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## Calendar

Date	Time	Venue	City
Oct 23, 2004	9:00 PM	The Corner Bar	Kalamazoo, MI
Oct 27, 2004	8:00 PM	The Club Soda	Kalamazoo, MI
wsg. Small Space & A Perfect Kiss			
Nov 9, 2004	8:00 PM	The Club Soda	Kalamazoo, MI
With 19 Wheels & Maryz Eyez			
Nov 13, 2004	8:00 PM	Blingerz	Quincy, MI
with Chris McFarland			
Nov 19, 2004	8:00 PM	The Liquid Room	Grand Rapids, MI
Nov 24, 2004	9:00 PM	The Roxy	Hillsdale, MI
With Spit for Athena			
Dec 2, 2004	9:00 PM	Ten Bells	Grand Rapids, MI

WGRD Babes and Bands with FledFive and One Man Sun			
Dec 4, 2004	10:00 PM	The Corner Bar	Kalamazoo, MI
Dec 11, 2004	9:00 PM	Blingerz	Quincy, MI
with South Bay Bessie and Self-Titled			
Dec 18, 2004	9:30 PM	Ten Bells	Grand Rapids, MI
with Venkman and Small Space			
Dec 31, 2004	9:00 PM	Broken Bones Skate Park	Battle Creek, MI
with Our Friends Fate and Deja Normal			
Jan 8, 2005	9:00 PM	The Roxy	Hillsdale, MI
Red Cross Benefit with Vitamin V, Dirtknap, Maryz Eyez & more			
Jan 13, 2005	10:00 PM	Live on WIDR-FM	Kalamazoo, MI
Tune in to 89.1 WIDR-FM Kalamazoo for a live performance and preview of the new CD.			
Jan 15, 2005	8:00 PM	Brok n Bones	Battle Creek, MI
This is an all ages show			
Jan 20, 2005	9:00 PM	Rubbles	Mt. Pleasant, MI
Jan 22, 2005	9:00 PM	The Club Soda	Kalamazoo, MI
CD RELEASE PARTY W/ MURDER BY DEATH AND ETTISON CLIO			
Jan 29, 2005	7:00 PM	Blingerz	Quincy, MI
Benefit show w/ Spit For Athena, Hornet, & more.			
Feb 5, 2005	9:00 PM	Flint Local 432	Flint, MI
w/ Island View Drive			
Feb 9, 2005	9:00 PM	Kraftbrau	Kalamazoo, MI
With Mad Aleck			
Mar 5, 2005	3:00 PM	The Saint	Asbury Park, NJ

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