

THE UNDERCOVER HIPPIE



Billy Salisbury, a.k.a. "The Undercover Hippie", is a singer songwriter and producer who brings together elements of folk, hip-hop, and reggae amongst other influences. The result is a selection of extremely catchy, politically charged and thought provoking songs, packed with imagery and performed with the voice of a man twice his size. His music is difficult to define, but has been likened to that of Jack Johnson, The John Butler Trio, Gomez and Xavier Rudd among others. However, Billy brings something new and unique to this genre with his soulful voice and lyrical depth. Think Ben Harper meets Gentleman and they play acoustic hip-hop around a camp fire.

ACHIEVEMENTS

Has single-handedly written, recorded and produced two albums worth of hit material. He is currently in negotiations with German label "Agogo Records" over a licensing deal.

Has developed a large international following on the Internet, both through Myspace and his own website. His songs are also highly popular in the podcasting community, getting regular airtime.

Has sold over 1000 copies of his debut album "They Feed on Greed", marketing and selling the album himself through his websites and at concerts.

Has performed to large crowds at festivals such as Glastonbury, Secret

Garden Party, Sunrise Celebration, Shambala, Small World, Sheepmusic, Nozstock, Moor Music Fest, Beach Break Live, The Workhouse Festival, Gazastock, and others. Has played many venues, ranging from small intimate solo performances in venues such as Belushi's in Newquay, to gigs with full backing band in large venues like The Opera House in Bournemouth. Billy also plays out regularly in his hometown of Bristol.

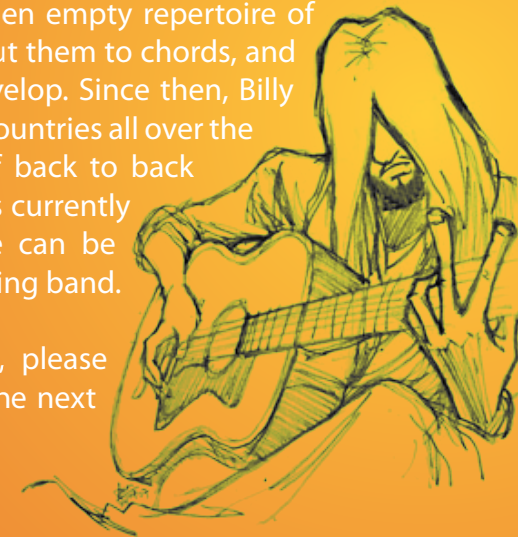
Has the uncanny ability of being able to improvise songs on the fly from words "thrown" at him by the audience. This is always hugely popular with smaller crowds, giving them the chance to interact with the performance.

BACKGROUND

Having been in a few bands in Hereford during his early teenage years, Billy left the world of live music to become a DJ aged 16. He spent the next 7 years DJing and MCing to crowds across the UK, finally ending up as the resident MC for the "Guerrilla Collective", a drum and bass collective based in Singapore, now signed to Goldie's Metalheadz label.

In 2002, Billy bought a guitar, sold his turntables, and began singing and writing once more. To make up for his then empty repertoire of songs, Billy would use his MC lyrics and put them to chords, and like this his distinctive style began to develop. Since then, Billy has been moving around a lot, playing in countries all over the world. Having just finished a summer of back to back festivals, Billy is now based in Bristol. He is currently taking bookings for the year ahead. He can be booked as a solo performer or with a backing band.

If you would like to book Billy to play, please contact him directly. Contact details on the next page.



WEB

www.myspace.com/undercoverhippy

Billy has a very strong presence on Myspace, with currently over 6000 genuine fans and more than 36000 song plays.

www.undercoverhippy.com

Billy's own site serves to both promote and sell his music online.

Billy also has a strong presence on many other music sites and within the Podcasting community. A quick Google search for "The Undercover Hippy" will give a multitude of examples.

REVIEWS

"like the John Butler Trio playing acoustic ragga in a Mississippi blues club"

- Hugo Tracy, Pura Vida Records

"Billy's lyrics hit the mark more than any songwriter I know of today"

- Dan Winch, Fish Seeks Bicycle

"..like a hip hop Gomez...Check this guy out if you haven't already. Politically driven, clever and fun. 9/10"

- Milky Joe, Bandman Reviewer

"..here lies a man who knows there are greater things to sing about than boy meets girl."

- Moony, Muddy Promotions

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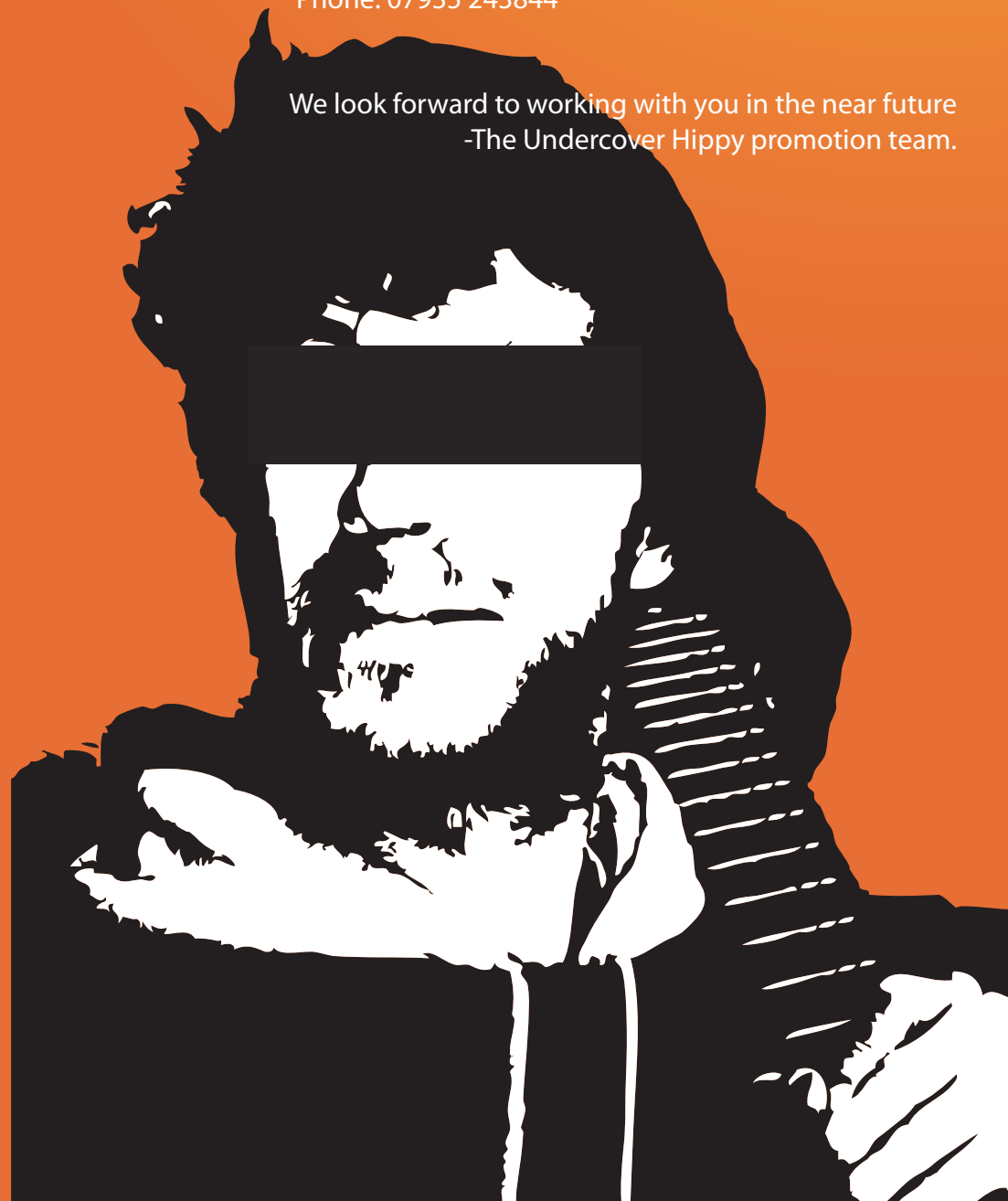
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We look forward to working with you in the near future

-The Undercover Hippy promotion team.



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