

CORAL CREEK BIOGRAPHY:

CORAL CREEK is a Colorado-based Americana/Country-Rock/Jamgrass band that features the original songs of Chris Thompson & Bill McKay (formerly of Leftover Salmon and Derek Trucks Band) – performing original songs as well as Americana classics by The Band, Grateful Dead, Peter Rowan, Neil Young, etc.

CORAL CREEK opens a new chapter this fall, releasing and touring in support of a breakthrough album produced by Tim Carbone of Railroad Earth. The self-titled album, CORAL CREEK, marks the beginning of a new era for the Colorado-based Americana/Jamgrass band, as the first release with standout keyboard player Bill McKay and Grammy Award Winning fiddle player, Luke Bulla.

McKay, best know for his roles with Leftover Salmon and Derek Trucks Band, joins songwriter/guitarist Chris Thompson at center stage, singing leads and contributing to the bands extensive repertoire of original material.

CORAL CREEK is a Colorado band on the rise, featuring a diverse catalog of original music spanning the genres of rock, country/bluegrass, cajun, folk and island music. While the new self-titled album sits squarely in the Americana category, CORAL CREEK live performances transport audiences from the beaches of the Caribbean, down to the bayou and back up high into the Colorado Rockies – with instrumentation ranging from mandolin and fiddle to congas and steel pan.

The counter-balance to McKay's fiery piano is the acoustic guitar of singer/songwriter Chris Thompson, stylistically blazing new trails inspired by Jerry Garcia and Tony Rice. Rob Garland (bass) and Jack Watson (drums) lock down the rhythm section, while Nathan Peoples elevates the music with a soaring bluegrass saxo-fiddle and high lonesome vocals. Since forming in 2010, CORAL CREEK has performed on festival main stages, concert series and clubs across the US, Europe, Mexico and the Caribbean, sharing stages with distinguished musicians including Sam Bush, Peter Rowan, Bill Nershi, Jeff Austin, Roosevelt Collier, Andy Hall and members of The String Cheese Incident, Leftover Salmon, Railroad Earth, Greensky Bluegrass, Yonder Mountain String Band, The Infamous Stringdusters and other fine acts. With the addition Bill McKay on keyboard and Nathan Peoples on saxophone, CORAL CREEK is a rising tide in the swirling jamgrass sea.

CORAL CREEK, the album, will be available to order or download on November 1, 2015 online at www.CoralCreek.net and www.facebook.com/coral.creek.band. The album features new original songs by Chris Thompson and Bill McKay, plus instrumental contributions by Luke Bulla (Lyle Lovett Band), Andy Thorn (Leftover Salmon), Anders Beck (Greensky Bluegrass), Tim Carbon (Railroad Earth), Tyler Grant (Grant Farm), Arthur Lee Land (Great American Taxi), Scott Messersmith (formerly of The Motet) and Tanya Shylock (True Blue Band).

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- Chris Thompson (guitar/vocals)
- Bill McKay (keyboard/vocals)
- Nathan Peoples (saxophone/vocals)
- Rob Garland (bass)
- Jack Watson (drums)