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Orlando Psych Rockers Cosmic Roots Collective Begin Work on Follow-Up to VIRTUES

Orlando, FL, December 16, 2017 – Orlando-based music group the [Cosmic Roots Collective](#), a trio consisting of Wheeler Newman (guitar, lead vocals), Ronnie Brannan (bass, synthesizer, backing vocals), and Paul Mauceri (drums, backing vocals), have begun work on a follow-up to their full length release “Virtues,” which was released this past August and is available on all current music streaming sites, including [Spotify](#), [Bandcamp](#), [SoundCloud](#), [YouTube](#), Apple Music, [Google Play](#), and [Amazon](#).



“Virtues” was the much-anticipated follow-up to the “CRC”’s 2014 debut album, “[Poor & Happy](#),” and is the band’s first truly collaborative effort, encompassing a stylistic shift from a country rock sound into a fully realized psychedelic progressive rock outfit. Produced by the CRC and mixing engineer [Shaun Combs](#), the group is looking to expand their sound even further, as is evidenced on some of the newer material on which they have begun working.

“I’m excited to continue working with Ronnie and Paul on new material and continue expanding on our sound and add new musical elements into the mix,” said Wheeler Newman, lead singer and guitarist of Cosmic Roots Collective. Bassist Ronnie Brannan adds, “When we worked on the songs that ended up on ‘Virtues,’ we adopted an ‘anything goes’ mentality, which I think we’ll continue to use and then some on the next album.”

The band draws from a wide range of influences, including the song craft of [Foxygen](#), The [Pixies](#), and [David Bowie](#), the progressive rock orchestration of [Yes](#), and the swirling psychedelia of bands like [Tame Impala](#), [Of Montreal](#), and [The Flaming Lips](#). Orlando locals have described the CRC’s sounds as “The power trio version of Radiohead,” “A progressive rock version of The Band,” and “Imagine if Rush and Elliott Smith had a baby.”

“Virtues” has already garnered positive reviews on blogs like [Amplify](#), [Emerging Indie Bands](#), and [Mieux Magazine](#). The band has also performed at popular festivals like [Fringe Fest](#) and [Sweater Fest](#) and will continue to play shows in and around Central Florida as it continues work on the follow-up to “Virtues.”

For more information, please visit the Cosmic Roots Collective’s [website](#) and follow them on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), [Instagram](#), and on [Spotify](#).

About

The [Cosmic Roots Collective](#) is a psych rock trio from Orlando, FL. Since 2013, singer/guitarist Wheeler Newman, bassist Ronnie Brannan, and drummer Paul Mauceri have been crafting a unique blend of psychedelic progressive pop rock that focuses on percipient songwriting, dynamic arrangements, and formidable live performance. Their latest record is entitled "Virtues."

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