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New Age Funk Musician Josh Stokes Releases Fourth Album of 2025 and Announces New York City Show Dates

August 8, 2025, Josh Stokes released “Songs 4 U 2 Jam 2 (Yea Funk U 2 Baby),” his fourth album of the year, and kicks off a New York City performance run

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Aug. 8, Baltimore new age funk drummer and singer Josh Stokes released his fourth album of 2025, “Songs 4 U 2 Jam 2 (Yea Funk U 2 Baby)”. The 60-minute, 31-track album features songs like “2 Smooth 4 Me,” “StankU,” “SuperFriends Jam” and “Stay Close.”

“Songs 4 U 2 Jam 2 (Yea Funk U 2 Baby)” comes replete with interpolations from comedians, artists and public figures like Paul Mooney, Dick Gregory, Robin Harris and Ol’ Dirty Bastard and characters from Aaron McGruder’s animated television series “The Boondocks.” Borrowing insight from late music journalist and filmmaker Sacha Jenkins, Josh Stokes starts his song “Garden” by making a routine appeal to Black identity as well as counter-culture lifestyle and worldview that defy the status quo: **“When you’re Black, you’re punk rock all the time.”**

Sept. 3, Josh Stokes will kick off the first leg of a New York City performance run at Threes Brewing (Gowanus) in Brooklyn, NY, performing with Nelson Bandela under a 2-act show bill. Oct. 23, Josh Stokes brings new age funk to Harlem where he’ll perform at Shrine World Music Venue.

“My music is about love and revolution. I want to encourage people and remind them of their own greatness so we all can be one powerful people.

‘Songs 4 U 2 Jam 2’ was meant to be more of a fun, carefree album”

— Josh Stokes

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