



# GASOLINE

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The firestorm that is known as GASOLINE is now ablaze! Just about six years ago the fire was lit. Gan and Shuhei-Rock were playing around their hometown of Yokkaichi, Japan in a blues band with many old guys that were in their town. If you ask them they will say that they met at a Karate Do Jyo. They decided to start a soul band. They released their first 7" on the US label Goner records. Shortly thereafter the "I Just Low" 7" blazed on the scene as their first Estrus Records release, followed quickly by the "Young Man Blues" split 7" with the Lord High Fixers also on Estrus Records.

While in the states for GarageShock 1997, GASOLINE jumped into the studio with Tim "Noisemaster" Kerr to record their first full-length release, the self titled "Gasoline" LP/CD. Soon after, the original Bass player had to leave the fold, but was quickly replaced with Hiroshi-hell from the all-instro Link inspired Switch Trout. One day the tapes for a new 7" showed up on the doorstep at Estrus HQ, and a few months later the "Step on the Gas" 7" was released.

In their 6 year span GASOLINE have crossed the big ocean twice to play in the states. They have done countless tours in their homeland with the likes of Guitar Wolf and the Neat Beats. They have also shown their hospitality to several Estrus bands that have played in Japan, such as the Lord High Fixers and the Makers. GASOLINE is gearing up to hit the US one more time this April/May on their way to GarageShock 2001 in Austin, TX. They will be hitting the Midwest/Eastcoast/South with The Fireballs of Freedom. A hot night is guaranteed in every town they hit.

When asked to describe their music, they gave a simple one word response: Soul! Soul indeed! Influences range from Jimi Hendrix to the Small Faces, The Who to James Brown, and the Kinks to Otis Redding. Gasoline's polyester clad, sweat drenched, oral onslaught of a live show has to be seen to be experienced. They started the band cause "They want to make people laugh and happy!" When asked what they want people to know about the band, their response was "Crazy! Dancing! Laughing! Show on the stage! (a little bit ugly though...!!)."

Be sure to check out GASOLINE when they hit your town this April/May in support of their brand new LP/CD "Fake to Fame" on Estrus Records. They will be out and about in the USA headed from Minneapolis to Austin, TX for GarageShock 2001, feeding fires wherever they go!