



The tri-state area of the Blue Ridge Mountains has historically produced some of the very finest bluegrass musicians in the industry and ClayBank is a top-shelf example of that. The band takes their name from the community of Claybank (near West Jefferson, NC). It's not only a place where the founding band members originally met together to hone their craft, but it's a place that embodies the very spirit of the music they play. With a nod to traditional, gospel, and hard-driving bluegrass, ClayBank adds their own dynamic energy and original material for a crowd pleasing show. They have been dubbed 'a breakout band of 2019'!

While this is the first band that Zack Arnold and Jacob Greer have been a part of, new members Jason Davis, Kameron Keller and Jamie Harper bring a wealth of experience from being sidemen in some of the top bluegrass bands of the past several years (Junior Sisk & Ramblers Choice, The Highland Travelers, Grasstowne and more). They remember first taking notice of Zack and Jacob when they hit the scene at the Galax Old Fiddlers Convention. Then, when ClayBank released their sophomore album, No Escape (Mountain Fever Records, 2018), they paid close attention to the younger members growth in songwriting, singing and playing – noting that they have the “whole package”. When the opportunity presented itself to partner with Zack and Jacob, as a member of ClayBank, the guys were eager to make the move. They are not only making music together, but are part of something their own, and no longer sidemen.

Mark Hodges, president of Mountain Fever Records, says of the band, “we loved them the first time we heard them, and now with the new configuration that added veterans Davis, Keller, and Harper, everyone has the highest expectations for them. We have already been covered up with texts, calls, and email messages of support from DJs and fans that are all looking forward to a taste of the new material they are working hard to prepare.” ClayBank has been in the studio, armed with an arsenal of new material, releasing their first single “Emma” in May and their second CD “Road Signs and Highways” released on Mountain Fever Records on July 26, 2019. Make sure to keep your eyes and ears open for ClayBank... the future is looking very bright for them!

