



### Medium Bio

Comfort in Chaos. Bonzo Squad is a collaborative ensemble that crosses the the boundaries of genre with the virtuosic abilities of its members. The music is not only meant to feel good, but allow audiences to lose themselves.

“This group assembled from weekly gigs at Chicago’s Arrogant Frog, and its members are mightily in synch, each a distinct, strong personality. Drummer Zack Marks is focused and energized, more rock savvy in his cement-steady beat, while bassist Vogt is a textural player who uses pedals to flip his role from anchor to rudder. Lawrence is versed in Bach counterpoint but interpolates wry, unexpected elements, then retreats into tasteful background motifs or lockstep lines with Andrick.” (Michael Jackson, Downbeat Magazine)

They released their debut album "Bonzo Squad" in 2017, and it received wonderful response from both fans and critics alike, including a write up in Downbeat, top 50 ranking on JazzWeek radio and a Spotify Playlist placement. Since their 2017 debut, the group has performed a David Bowie Tribute, an all Prince Tribute, a Mozart tribute, two full blown Christmas productions and two sold out performances of Stevie Wonder’s *Innervisions*. The group has also recorded 20 more songs and has found a new weekly residency at AliveOne, another legendary Chicago venue. Despite every member being in multiple genre-crossing projects (including Bonelang, District 97, Bumpus, Ernie Watts) the group always finds the time to play together. They are set to release their sophomore debut in 2019.