



MODERN SILENCE

CASPER & THE COOKIES

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PREVIOUS RELEASES:

The Optimist's Club (2006, Waikiki, Japan)
Cookies/Marbles Split 7" (2007, HHBTM)
Cookies/KJA Split 8" (2007, PIAPTK)
3 1/2 Stars EP (HHBTM)
The Optimist's Club vinyl (2007, PIAPTK)
The Optimist's Club CD (2006, HHBTM)
Oh! (2005, Waikiki, Japan)
Oh! (2004, HHBTM)

Jason NeSmith (ex-of Montreal) doesn't know why his band is still called Casper & the Cookies and doesn't care. He and Kay Stanton (member of Supercluster including members of Pylon and Circulatory System) used to make lists of other names, but they've been so busy that the moniker has ceased to be of any importance.

In 2005 if all you knew about Athens, GA's Casper & the Cookies was their name you might be forgiven for dismissing them. But like Beefheart said, "If you've got ears you've gotta listen." 2006's *The Optimist's Club* showed major artistic growth. Swinging handily from pure pop to more kraut-y textures, the record won an enthusiastic following from pop kids and music bloggers, strengthened through more than 150 sweaty shows all over North America and Japan.

With the addition of Jim Hix and Joe Rowe (ex-The Glands) C&C surprised everyone with energetic opening sets for the likes of the Apples in Stereo, Deerhoof and Black Kids. Anyone still stuck with misguided twee pop notions was shocked when C&C revealed themselves as a flamboyant rock and roll band!

The Cookies have arrived. And to celebrate two years of heavy touring they sealed themselves in NeSmith's Bel*Air Studio. The liberties taken on *The Optimist's Club* inspired them to push each song further than ever. As a result, *Modern Silence*, has an indomitable spirit. A sneak peek of the new album—which Jason says is about sound—shows the band's restless muse is on course. Asked if he's concerned that this record might challenge listeners with its disregard for stylistic unity, Casper says, "I've got a short attention span with albums. I might want to hear a couple of Nick Lowe songs, and then I've got to listen to Zappa for ten minutes. Music culture has returned to a singles-centric era and bridged it with the mixtape mentality. We look at this record as a collection of singles with a theme. But without trying I think we've still managed to make a record that sounds of a whole."

"... In fact, if The Apples in Stereo hadn't been so goddamn exciting, Casper's Cookies would have stolen the show. I'll take Casper & The Cookies' charming, exuberant, multi-effects-pedal pop any day and consider the eyeshadow a bonus."—TINY MIX TAPES

"With the modest success of *The Optimist's Club*, a string of dates opening for Apples In Stereo and a growing reputation for wildly entertaining shows, Casper & The Cookies are poised to reach more ears than ever."—RELIX

"The band of the hour, however, was unquestionably Casper and the Cookies, who brought a degree of unabashed rock pomposity that far outsized the tiny Tavern stage. Things really got crazy when members from the band Antibalas, which was performing in the Ballroom, literally ran in to catch the rest of the Casper set after finishing their own show."—CLEVELAND FREE TIMES

CASPER & THE COOKIES SHOWS

SUPPORTING THE
OPTIMIST'S CLUB

2008

1/9 Athens, GA Caledonia Lounge
1/25 Athens, GA Farm 255
2/7 Tokyo, JAPAN, Doobie's
2/8 Tokyo, JAPAN Shibuya O Nest
2/9 Kyoto, JAPAN
2/10 Nagoya, JAPAN
2/11 Tokyo, JAPAN Club Que
2/15 Atlanta, GA Vinyl INTERNATIONAL POP OVETHROW
4/8 Athens, GA Flicker Theater
5/1 Athens, GA 40 Watt
5/15 Atlanta, GA Star Bar

2007

2/3 Athens, GA Caledonia Lounge
2/8 Lexington, KY The Dame
2/9 Cincinnati, OH Top Cats Club
2/10 Cleveland, OH Grog Shop
2/11 Buffalo, NY Buffalo Icon
2/12 Pittsburg, PA Diesel
2/13 Washington, DC Black Cat
2/14 New York, NY Fearless Music TV
2/15 New York, NY Bowery Ballroom
2/16 Philadelphia, PA North Star Bar
2/17 Boston, MA Paradise Rock Club
2/20 Toronto, ON Lee's Palace
2/21 Detroit, MI Magic Stick
2/22 Columbus, OH Little Brother's
2/23 Chicago, IL Subterranean
2/26 Madison, WI High Noon Saloon
2/27 Ames, IA Maintenance Shop
2/28 Omaha, NE Sokol Underground
3/2 St. Louis, MO Blueberry Hill
3/3 Columbia, MO The Blue Note
3/12 Athens, GA The 40 Watt
3/17 Dallas, TX Club Dada
3/20 San Diego, CA The Casbah
3/22 Los Angeles, CA Spaceland
3/23 San Francisco, CA The Independent
3/24 Sacramento, CA The Blue Lamp
3/26 Portland, OR Berbat's Pan
3/27 Vancouver, BC Medi Club
3/28 Bellingham, WA Nightlight Lounge
3/29 Seattle, WA Neumo's
3/30 Boise, ID Neurolux
3/31 Salt Lake City, UT The Depot
4/5 Atlanta, GA Lenny's
4/14 St. Louis, MO Lemmon's
4/15 Kansas City, MO Record Bar
4/16 Des Moines, IA Vaudeville Mews
4/17 Madison, WI Cafe Montemartre
4/18 Chicago, IL Permanent Records
4/18 Chicago, IL The Empty Bottle
4/19 Milwaukee, WI Stonefly Brewery
4/20 Dekalb, IL 7th Street Space
4/21 Indianapolis, IN Spin Nightclub
4/22 Grand Rapids, MI The DAAC
4/23 Toledo, OH Mickey Finn's Pub
4/24 Pittsburg, PA Modern Formations
4/25 New York, NY Cake Shop
4/27 Somerville, MA PA's Lounge
4/29 Brooklyn, NY Southpaw
4/30 Philadelphia, PA The Khyber
5/1 Buffalo, NY Mohawk
5/2 Cleveland, OH Beachland Tavern
5/3 Toronto, ON Over the Top Fest
5/4 Brooklyn, NY Galapagos Art Space
5/6 Northampton, MA The Elevens
5/8 Burlington, VT Nectar's
5/9 Hoboken, NJ Maxwell's
5/10 Baltimore, MD Lo Fi Social Club
5/12 Fredericksburg, VA Wounded Bookshop
5/25 Athens, GA Morton Theater
5/31 Athens, GA Caledonia Lounge
6/1 Atlanta, GA Star Bar
6/2 Ybor City, FL New World Brewery
6/3 Delray Beach, FL New City Limits
6/4 Orlando, FL The Social
6/6 Gainesville, FL 1982 Bar
6/7 Panama City, FL The Gallery Above
6/8 Jacksonville, FL TSI
6/9 Pensacola, FL Sluggo's
6/10 Tallahassee, FL Beta Bar
6/21 Athens, GA Caledonia ATHFEST
7/21 Athens, GA Secret Squirrel
8/10 Athens, GA 40 Watt Club, POPFEST
8/11 Athens, GA 40 Watt Club, POPFEST as Daniel Johnston's backup band
8/13 Atlanta, GA, The Earl
8/14 Pensacola, FL Sluggo's
8/15 Panama City, FL The Gallery Above
8/16 Gainesville, FL Common Grounds
8/17 Jacksonville, FL Club TSI
8/18 Charleston, SC The Map Room
8/19 Greenville, NC Spazzatorium Galleria
8/21 Richmond, VA Nara Sushi
8/23 Lexington, KY Icehouse%
8/24 Birmingham, AL Bottletree Cafe
9/14 Athens, GA Flicker Theater
10/10 Athens, GA Caledonia Lounge
10/11 Carrboro, NC Reservoir Bar
10/12 Washington, DC Red and Black DAMIFEST
10/13 Fredericksburg, VA 3rd Floor Studio
10/14 Arlington, VA Galaxy Hut
10/17 New York, NY The Tank CMJ
10/19 Long Island City, NY The Creek & the Cave
10/20 Rehoboth Beach, DE Dogfish Head Brewery
10/21 Philadelphia, PA Khyber WDKU Pop Nite
10/22 New York, NY The Cake Shop
10/23 Allston, MA O'Briens
10/26 Toronto, ON The Tiger Bar
10/26 Toronto, ON Silver Dollar Room
10/29 Lansing, MI Mac's Bar
10/30 Ypsilanti, MI Elbow Room
10/31 Grand Rapids, MI Break Room
11/1 Chicago, IL The Dark Room KEXP Pop Night
11/2 Ames, IA Maintenance Shop
11/3 St. Paul, MN Turf Club
11/4 Des Moines, IA Vaudeville Mews
11/5 Omaha, NE O'Leaver's Pub
11/6 St. Louis, MO The Bluebird
11/7 Iowa City, IA radio show KRUI
11/7 Iowa City, IA The Picador
11/8 Chicago, IL The Note

11/9 Lafayette, IN The Venue
11/10 Bloomington, IN radio WIUX
11/10 Bloomington, IN Stateroom
11/11 Athens, OH radio WOUB
11/11 Athens, OH The Union
11/12 Lexington, KY The Dame
11/13 Knoxville, TN World Grotto
11/14 Nashville, TN The Basement
11/15 Augusta, GA The Soul Bar
11/16 Atlanta, GA Under the Couch
11/28 Athens, GA 40 Watt Club
12/21 Jacksonville, FL Club TSI

2006

Feb 9 Athens, GA, Caledonia
Apr 4 Athens, GA, Caledonia
Apr 27 Athens, GA, Lunch Paper
May 16 Athens, GA, Caledonia
Jun 12 Athens, GA, House Party
Jun 17 Athens, GA, Flicker Theater
Jun 24 Athens, GA, 40 Watt (ATHFEST)
Jul 22 Murphreesboro, TN, Grand Palace
Aug 11 Athens, GA, 40 Watt (POPFEST)
Aug 18 Athens, GA, Little Kings
Aug 23 Huntsville, AL, Flying Monkey Arts
Aug 24 Little Rock, AR, Whitewater Tavern
Aug 25 Oklahoma City, OK, The Conservatory
Aug 26 Dallas, TX —Good Records
Aug 26 Fort Worth, TX, Metrognome
Aug 27 Austin, TX, Flamingo Cantina
Aug 29 Tucson, AZ, 36 Chambers
Aug 30 San Diego, CA, Che Café
Aug 31 Los Angeles, CA, The Echo
Sep 01 San Francisco, CA, Bottom of the Hill \$\$
Sep 02 Eugene, OR, Diabolo's
Sep 03 Olympia, WA, Eagles Hall
Sep 04 Portland, OR, The Holocene
Sep 06 Salt Lake City, UT, Kilby Court
Sep 07 Denver, CO, Hi Dive
Sep 08 Omaha, NE, O'leavers
Sep 09 Rock Island, IL, Daytrotter
Sep 11 St. Paul, MN, Big V's
Sep 12 Dubuque, IA, The Busted Lift
Sep 13 DeKalb, IL, House Café
Sep 14 Chicago, IL, Dark Room
Sep 15 Beloit, WI, Beloit College
Sep 16 St. Louis, MO, SLU
Sep 22 Athens, GA 40 Watt
Sep 26 N. Manchester, IN, The Firehouse
Sep 27 Muncie, IN, Ball State University
Sep 29 Hamilton, ON The Underground
Sep 30 Toronto, ON Drake Hotel
Oct 1 Hamilton, ON The Casbah
Oct 21 Athens, GA, Caledonia Lounge
Oct 28 Norfolk, VA —Relative Theory
Oct 29 Baltimore, MD, Talking Head
Oct 30 Philadelphia, PA, Upstairs At Sal's
Nov 1 Somerville, MA, PA's Lounge
Nov 2 New York City, NY, **CMJ** Cake Shop
Nov 4 Ithaca, NY, Cornell University
Nov 16 WMBR "Phoning It In" live radio show
Nov 19 Birmingham, AL, Bottletree Café
Nov 30 Atlanta, GA, The Earl
Dec 1 Jacksonville, FL, TSI
Dec 16 Athens, GA, House Party