

Helen Marketti's Music Corner

Lost in the Sea

Local musician Christian Kaser is moving forward with his music career as his original CD is released and fans like what they hear.



When listening to the music of Christian Kaser, one would think he has been involved with music his entire life but it was not always his first choice of what to do. "It really wasn't until I was in college that I realized that I wanted to pursue a career in music. I started playing guitar in 2001," said Christian. After meeting with Christian and fellow local musician, Brian Runkle, it seems the two seem have a friendship that is connected by not only music but also genuine respect for each other. Brian played drums on Christian's new CD, *Lost in the Sea*.

"For me it was a little different," explains Brian. "I was always interested in music and was a product of the school band. I wanted to play saxophone at first then realized I didn't like it at all. So I thought about what else I could play that was still cheap (Laughs) and the snare drum came to mind. I started when I was around 12. When I got older, my parents told me that my great grandfather was a professional drummer."

Music influences are always an interesting part of the puzzle. "Growing up, Neil Young was always a big influence. He appeals to me the most. It's just how raw his sound is. You can tell it comes from somewhere where it's not contrived," said Christian. "I always liked Carol King, Elton John and believe it or not, The Spinners; they were an R & B group that my dad listened to. Also, one of my biggest influences is a band from Scotland called, Travis."

Inspiration for songs can come at any moment. "There is so much to think about for song writing. I think the biggest inspiration is probably life...all aspects of life," explains Christian. "The neat thing about writing is that you never know when it's going to come; it just happens. In the song writing process, it's amazing to watch it take shape. Even

for the recording of this album, I did many of the recordings last winter. Initially they would come out one way and then I would meet with Brian, show him the tracks and how they ended up is totally different."

"It's kind of like working with play dough," said Brian. "I know how to form it but Christian knows how to work with it and make it into something. The words just spew out of him when he is writing material."

Lost in the Sea is the name of the CD and the title has special meaning for Christian. "The song came about when I was living in south Florida and was by myself. I didn't have anyone to musically connect with. So, that's what that song is about...I felt lost. People will connect with it as they feel with their own experiences. Music is in the ear of the beholder I always say."

The label for the CD is through Rewire Media, which is owned by Brennan Willis, lead guitarist for The Undeserving. "The Undeserving are from Fremont and Brennan played on the tracks we did, too," explains Christian. "The Undeserving have been signed to Warner Brothers so it's great when your music has caught the ear of someone else. We have to separate ourselves from what is going on locally to a larger scale because now we have a CD released and throwing our own hat into the ring with other music artists."

There will be seven tracks on the CD. It was recorded at Ante Up Audio Studio in Cleveland where Christian worked together for a week in Studio B with his band, The Bright White Light. "It's a feeling of having a lump in your throat when you're in a professional studio where David Bowie and Dave Matthews have recorded among so many others," said Brian. "People who were there were migrating to our studio because they liked what they heard and were wondering what we were doing. That is an enlightening feeling. I hope the music will bring people to a happy place which may sound kind of corny but what I love about music is that you can connect to what it means to you...so something positive is what we want."

Fans can hear two tracks from the CD, "Lost in the Sea" and "All For Love" on Christian Kaser's face book page where you can keep up with his music and show schedule.

Helen Marketti enjoys writing about music and talking with people who are involved in its genre in all aspects. She frequently attends member events at the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame in Cleveland. Her favorite era of music is the 60's, but she also enjoys music of today and yesterday. Helen is from Sandusky and is currently an Early Childhood Educator.

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About Dr. Arevalo: Dr. Arevalo is a board certified pediatrician who specializes in Infectious Disease. She treats both adult and pediatric patients. Dr. Arevalo has been seeing patients in Fremont since 2007 and has served as MHCS' Director of

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