



animal is a jam-prog four-piece from Toronto, blending funk, blues, R&B, folk, and rock into danceable, jam-fuelled live journeys where the audience becomes the “fifth member.” Genre-bending by design, the band’s writing draws inspiration from all corners of music, transitioning seamlessly from funk jams, to hard rock to intimate acoustic folk featuring [four-part harmony](#), all in a single set.

The band began performing in 2024, cramming 50 attendees into their private studio turned underground venue known as the Habitat, featuring the now famous “third set”, an open jam joined by guests from Crown Lands, Rubber Tire Peep Show, and others. The band has since grown to headline and sell out iconic Toronto rooms like the El Mocambo and Tranzac Club. Their live shows are known to feature elaborate stage productions, costumes, theatrics, liquid lightshows, and more.

animal’s debut single “I Believe” (2024) was produced by Chris Boerner (Hiss Golden Messenger, credits on 3 Grammy-nominated projects); the live album *Live From The Habitat* followed in 2025, and a studio EP is now in the works.



"Animal blends soul, indie, folk and rock through a collaborative approach built on improvisation and a shared love of music."

– Beach Metro News, July 2026

PERFORMANCE HIGHLIGHTS

- Successful **multi-provincial tour**, summer of 2025; performances in **Montreal, Ottawa, Windsor** and more
- **Beaches International Jazz Festival** (2026) – debuting a 7-piece lineup with brass & percussion
- **Highlands Music Festival** (2025) – main stage; shared the bill with Andy Shauf & Foxwarren
- **El Mocambo** – sold out as the sole performer
- **Horseshoe Tavern** – with The Hypochondriacs, Zuffalo, and others
- **The Rivoli · Monarch Tavern · Tranzac Club · Tapestry** · sold-out 150-cap rooms

LINEUP      Aidan McKenna – lead vocals, guitar · Nathan Dyck – keys, synth bass, vocals · Jordan Baker – lead guitar, vocals · Dan Baier – drums



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