



### Ambassadors Band CD Jacket and Label

I had the opportunity to work with three St. Louis musical artists — Steve Scorфина, Michael ‘Supe’ Granda, and David Toretta — whose careers each span over five decades and they are members of an elite class of talent. They have all worked with music pioneers, or even earned pioneer status themselves. In 2019, they came together to self-produce an album of original songs, calling themselves the Ambassadors.

They came to me with a fleur de lis pendant they picked up as an estate sale with the idea to use it on their album cover. They commissioned me to design their album art focused on this pendant. They wanted the group’s name to be added to the space on the front and overall wanted it to portray the regalness of New Orleans and the casual spirit of St. Louis, as the two cities have such a deep musical connection.

I photographed the pendant and completed extensive digital cleanup to years of scuffing and then

built the composite image with a stock background.

The Polaroid® effect for their portraits supports the friendly, casual listening experience of this collection of songs.

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CD LABEL

**New Set of Problems** (Michael Granda, Mark Horn) Missouri Mule Music, BMI

**When I Take You to the Mardi Gras** (Steve Scorфина) Cat Man Music, BMI

**When I Think about You** (Michael Granda) Mule Music, BMI

**Einstein's Autograph, Pts. 1 & 2** (David Toretta) David Toretta Music, BMI

**The Good, Bad and the Ugly** (Cat Man Music, BMI)

**Waltzing with Lady St. Louis** (Missouri Mule Music, BMI)

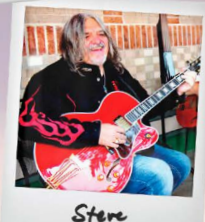
**When I Said I Was Wrong** (Steve Scorфина) Mule Music, BMI

**Had I Had a Hunch** (Michael Granda) Mule Music, BMI

**Ghost In My Rear View (Trucker's Lament)** (Steve Scorфина) Cat Man Music, BMI



Supe



Steve

**The Ambassadors:**  
 Steve Scorфина - guitars, dobro, tenor guitar, Rickenbacher fry pan, vocals  
 David Toretta - bass, guitar, vocals  
 Michael Supe Granda - bass, guitars, mandolin, harmonica, vocals  
 Keith Robinson - drums, percussion  
 Bob Lohr - piano  
 Debra Dobkin - percussion  
 Bill Murphy - piano, accordion  
 Carl Pandolfi - piano  
 Mike Harman - banjo  
 John Harman - mandolin, banjo  
 Ingrid Berry - harmonica  
 Jay Hutson - saxophone  
 Charles Glenn - vocals  
 Connie Fairchild - vocals  
 Michele Isam - vocals  
 Monica Reed - vocals  
 Scott Neinhaus - vocals, guitar  
 Terry Jones Rogers - vocals  
 Michael Newman - guitar



Dave

Produced by: David Toretta, Steve Scorфина and Michael Supe Granda  
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 Mixed by: David, Steve and Supe  
 Engineered and Mastered by: David Toretta  
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