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APES SCHEDULE FEBRUARY 2008 TOUR DATES TO COINCIDE WITH RELEASE OF NEW ALBUM

Apes have confirmed 2008 tour dates in support of *Ghost Games*, which will be released on February 19, 2008 through **Gypsy Eyes**. More dates will be announced shortly including the west coast and SXSW.

Apes' fourth full-length album, *Ghost Games*, is the follow up to *Baba's Mountain* (Birdman, 2005) and is the first album to feature vocalist, **Breck Brunson**. The first focus track is "Beat of the Double," which can be heard streaming at <http://www.myspace.com/apes> and downloaded as a MP3 at <http://theapes.com/audio/Apes - Beat of the Double.mp3>

The video for "Dr. Watcher" (another great song from *Ghost Games*) can be viewed here: <http://www.theapes.com/video.html> or <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6HXPijkv0Qw>

When Apes' former singer, **Paul Weil**, left the band in 2005 to start a family after six years, three EPs, three full-length albums, and hundreds of legendary live shows, Apes found themselves scrambling for a replacement. Bassist **Erick Jackson** and keyboardist **Amanda Kleinman** met fellow visual artist **Breck Brunson** at a party in their hometown of Washington, DC, and – on nothing more than a hunch – asked him to come out to drummer **Jeff Schmid**'s house the very next day to play music.

By the end of that first jam session, Apes knew they had found their man. Always an eclectic group – coming from varied musical backgrounds and tastes ranging from 60's and 70's rock, pop and psych to 80's hardcore to Providence noise to reggae to hip-hop – Apes found a singer with a similarly wide range of music interests, along with the vocal flexibility and willingness to experiment in order to make it all work. Furthering the mind-meld, Breck shared Apes' strong conviction that a powerful visual aesthetic, far from being an after-thought to the music, should inspire its creation and support its performance. Fans were treated to the new line up when Apes joined **Liars**, with seven brand new songs, during the summer of 2006.

Since the release of their last album, Apes have toured with punk legends, **The Slits**, **Liars**, **Deerhunter**, plus played dates with **Spankrock**, **Klaxons** and **DMBQ**.

PRESS QUOTES

"...Brunson, whose easy voice carries a trace of Ozzy's reedy timbre yet often gives in to an airy falsetto, brings a newfound levity that allows the band to loosen up and give in to their best and most organ-ic melodies. "Beat Of The Double" is, therefore, the best song of the Apes' already formidable career."

– **PAPERTHINWALLS.com**

"Beat of the Double" will have new schoolers and art-rock enthusiasts all riled up." – **XLR8R**

APES TOUR DATES

Tue Feb 12 Purchase, NY @ Purchase College State Univ. of NY (w. Sole)
Wed Feb 13 Philadelphia, PA @ Silk City (w. Gang)
Thur Feb 14 New York, NY @ Cake Shop (w. These Are Powers, Ex Models, Mixel Pixel)
Fri Feb 15 Boston, MA @ Harper's Ferry (w. Sole, Telephone Jim Jesus)
Sat Feb 16 Providence @ The Living Room (w. Sole, Telephone Jim Jesus)
Sun Feb 17 Burlington, VT @ Monkey Bar
Mon Feb 18 TBA
Tues Feb 19 Rochester, NY @ Bug Jar
Wed Feb 20 Buffalo, NY @ Soundlab
Thur Feb 21 Detroit, MI @ Scrummage University
Fri Feb 22 Chicago, IL @ Abbey Pub (w. Sole, Telephone Jim Jesus)
Sat Feb 23 Columbus, OH @ Bourbon Street
Fri Feb 29 Washington, DC @ Black Cat – Album release show (w. Kid Congo Powers)
Fri March 7 Richmond, VA @ The Camel w. Amoeba Men
Sat March 8 Raleigh, NC @ Downtown Center
Sun March 9 Columbia, SC @ New Brookland Tavern

Mon March 10 Athens, GA @ The Caledonia Lounge
Tue March 11 Chattanooga, TN @ JJ's Bohemian
Wed March 12 Huntsville, AL @ Flying Monkey Arts (TBC)
Thur, March 13 Houston, TX @ Mink Backroom (TBC)
Fri March 14 SXSW /Austin, TX @ Panache Showcase
Sat March 15 SXSW / Austin, TX @ TBA
Sun March 16 Denton, TX @ Rubbergloves
Mon March 17 Kansas City, MO @ Record Bar
Tue March 18 St. Louis, MO @ 2 Cents Plain
Wed March 19 Minneapolis, MN @ The Uptown Club
Thur March 20 Chicago @ Beat Kitchen
Fri March 21 Akron, OH @ Musica
Sat March 22 Wilkes Barr, PA @ Café Metropolis
Sun March 23 Annandale, NY @ Bard College

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