

JASON BOLAND AND THE STRAGGLERS

What they are saying...

It's genuine honky-tonk music. One minute beer bottles are bouncing on the table, boots are stompin' and hats are flying and the very next song the crowd will be in complete silence, of course singing every word, but you can just tell that they are completely involved. Jason has a way of stirring your emotions completely.

-- Justin Frazell, 99.5 The Wolf

Great live show, lots of energy, great songs, and a bad ass voice. I always look forward to getting a chance to play music with those guys, they are an awesome band and a great time.

-- Dierks Bentley

The whole band, they just kick it hard. It knocked me out they are that close to what I do, they do it a notch up, but yeah they are great.

-- Billy Joe Shaver

Some artists are great singers, while others are great performers, or great songwriters. Jason Boland & The Stragglers have all of these components. It is Jason's voice, the lyrics, the band, and the performance that make this artist a must see, and every album a must have.

-- Mark Tucker, Texas Music Times, 11.2006

Jason, in my opinion, is the best Texas has to offer. Pat Green and Jack Ingram have recently expanded their popularity outside of Texas. Jason should be next...

-- Alligator Jackson, On Air Radio.com, 11.3.2006

The Stragglers never shirk their responsibilities as part of the loud country movement.

-- William Michael Smith, The Dallas Observer, 9.28.2006

Boland and his band hunker down on the kind of music that only sounds fitting while folks stomp their boots on dusty, whiskey-warped honky-tonk floors. And Boland seems straight on the idea of legends, too — the singer has a healthy Waylon fixation that's hard to miss, and that influence is competently filtered through *Bourbon Legend*.

-- Nicole Keiper, The Tennessean, 1.15. 2007

Boland is a country purist, pouring helpings of hard-nosed grit, dirt and gumption that summon John and Waylon in one well-aimed chorus. His band, The Stragglers, follow suit...

-- Independent Weekly, 1.18.2007

It doesn't take much listening time to realize Boland's special...Although Boland has a gift for turning a phrase, he knows that music also needs to tickle the ear as well as engage the mind.

--Dan Macintosh, Country Standard Time, 12.2006

Always considered a maverick, once again Jason and the band combine that elusive Red Dirt sound with Texas music, creating a unique sound all of their own that blurs lines...
...Still shy of 30, Jason Boland has always sung and written beyond his years and with a few more years of maturity under his belt, he continues to evolve as one of the strongest songwriters and vocalist around today...Jason Boland & The Stragglers continue to prove themselves as one of the most talented country outfits that country music today has to offer and turn in yet another first-rate effort.

-- AnnMane Herrington, Take Country Back

Jason has been called everything from the surfacing king of alt-swing to an outlaw, and in some cases even a liability...at the end of the day what you have here are five guys who have been instrumental in putting quality music back on the airwaves, on the covers of magazines nationwide and on the lips of music goers everywhere.

-- TexasMusicMob.com

Jason Boland and the Stragglers have a beer-joint, honky-tonk, Jerry Jeff Walker-kind of style... Jason and the Stragglers turn any place they play into a jumpin' juke joint; as a songwriter he reminds me of Billy Joe Shaver, with that whiskey bottle in one hand and the Bible in the other.

-- Tulsa World, 12/15/00.

Making the sort of neo-traditionalist country that brings to mind the rowdy glory of David Allan Coe, Jason Boland and his band uprooted from their Oklahoma home and made their splash in Texas. Their blue collar country caught on with locals, and their genuine backroad experiences led to hedonistic tracks like "Drinkin' Song" and "When I'm Stoned."

--Bradley Torreano, All Music Guide

Jason Boland has more than earned his reputation as a voraciously untamed songsmith and performer. Backed by a fierce band of gifted players, the Stragglers have pushed themselves to the top with their overwhelming talents, boasting a sound all their own. Classic undertones and a magnetic modern flair have drawn a vast and diverse Americana following, resulting in a variety of well-deserved awards recognizing Jason Boland and the Straggler's rich vocals, honest and heartfelt songwriting, and skillful backing.

-- Music Fest Magazine

...[Boland] writes songs that make you stop and wonder how a guy so young knows about all this stuff- lying, cheating, crying, dealing, despair and death- Boland covers 'em all here...Jason Boland is already a fine songwriter and as he matures, I expect that he'll get even better. He has an excellent country voice with an air of honesty and understanding in it that adds weight to his lyrics..... These red dirt boys are doing country right.

-- Michael Johnson, Rockzilla World, rockzilla.net