

## About Skyraker:

Skyraker is the Portland, Oregon-based heavy-psych trio comprised of guitarist / vocalist Jason Baker, bassist/vocalist Ben Carey, and drummer Bryan Fairfield. The band was formed in 2021, with a forthcoming debut album, *Stars and Screams*, set to be released on October 1st 2023.



Skyraker's sound incorporates elements of stoner rock, psychedelic, punk and space rock in a carefully considered musical package. The band bridges sometimes devastatingly heavy riffs with other times atmospheric, haunting melodic structure and a willingness to explore a large expanse of emotional space both lyrically and musically. Though Skyraker's sound draws inspiration from Clutch, Queens of the Stone Age, All Them Witches and, perhaps inescapably, Pink Floyd - the style is unmistakably of the band's own making.

All three members of Skyraker are seasoned veterans of the NW rock scene. Jason Baker and Ben Carey founded and performed in the Portland, OR based alt-prog rock band Oxcart in 2004, recording 3 studio albums and inadvertently spawning the acclaimed Pink Floyd tribute band that later become known as [Pigs on the Wing](#). Drummer Bryan Fairfield has widely toured the US with the Portland-based rock bands Kieskagato and System and Station, and is currently the drummer for Pigs on the Wing. Jason Baker is a guitarist and vocalist for Pigs on the Wing, owner of [Sasquatch Recording studio](#), and the creative force behind side-project [Citizen Vs. Narwhal](#).

## About *Stars and Screams*:

Skyraker's debut album *Stars and Screams* was recorded over a nearly two-year period from 2021-2023 at the historic Bingen Theater / Sasquatch Recording studio in Washington state. While not formally a concept album, many of the album's tracks reference a common theme in their exploration of the band members' shared stories as musicians, and the lifelong bond formed in the trenches of underground rock music. Musically, the album covers a vast range of space, from the 1970's Pink Floyd-inspired "Don't Know How to Tell", to the stoner-rock sludge of "Into the Storm", to the possibly Zappa-esque "Right on Time".

The process of recording the *Stars and Screams* album at the historic - and presumably haunted- Bingen Theater (home of Baker's own Sasquatch Recording) was itself a piece of the sound and experience featured in the recording. All of the basic tracks were recorded live and capture the band's performance in an analog snapshot in time. *Stars and Screams* was produced by Skyraker and mastered by Gus Elg at Sky Onion Mastering in Portland, OR.

The first single and video from *Stars and Screams* is "No Vacancy" (available 7/1/23 via all major digital / streaming platforms). The full album is scheduled for release on Oct 1st, 2023 on vinyl via the band's Bandcamp site, and digital / streaming via all major platforms including Apple Music, Spotify and YouTube Music.