**SM6**

Good-time family band SM6 puts out high-energy songs with catchy melodies, ear-pleasing harmonies, dance-worthy rhythms and relatable lyrics that celebrate members’ tight-knit bond and their love of spreading joy through music. The group is made up of siblings who are talented multi-instrumentalists with a deep enthusiasm for connecting with others and for making music together that delivers an uplifting message. Wise beyond their years with a thoughtful, playful approach to writing and arrangements, George (keys, violin, ukulele, vocals), Isabel (vocals, bass, ukulele), Adam (guitar, vocals), Emily (drums, ukulele, vocals), Eliana (percussion) and Jack (guitar, ukulele, steel pan, vocals) perform a combination of imaginative covers and originals that ring out with elements of indie pop, rock and folk. SM6 pulls audiences of all ages into its fun-filled orbit through dynamic live shows and recordings.

The idea for SM6 was dreamed up as the siblings experimented with music growing in the Chicago area and explored their natural artistry. They all started piano at an early age, developing a solid foundation in theory and learning how to make memorable melodies while listening to a wide range of pop and rock songs as well as fresh music by young artists in their area. As each of the siblings felt pulled to different instruments, they started to participate in talent competitions and go out together to local festivals and shows to see their favorite groups play. Inspired by powerhouse Chicago-based groups like 7th Heaven and youth-fronted bands they saw with amazing chemistry, the siblings’ excitement about making their own music was ignited, and they decided to start their own group. Immersing themselves fully into band life, they began taking individual and group lessons at a local music school in order to further strengthen their synergy. At first calling themselves Summer Monkeys, the siblings played their first official show in late 2014 and were hooked on the thrill of performing together. After three years of playing regular shows and refining their technique at their individual instruments as well as at songwriting and arranging, George, Isabel, Adam, Emily, Eliana and Jack decided to commit fully to a professional career in music. Now officially SM6, the group is ready to take on the world.

All members of SM6 are skilled songwriters and engaging performers, and together as a band they have built up an impressive resume of shows, awards and other accolades. George, Isabel, Adam and Emily have already begun their college degrees in performing arts, with Emily being the youngest person ever admitted to the college. They all continue to expand their musical worldview and enrich their sound as a band by venturing outside their comfort zone, taking classes in disciplines such as jazz band, steel drum band, jazz improvisation and studio recording. SM6 has appeared on the WGN *Morning News* show and has played at the Mall of America, Six Flags as well as for the Chicago White Sox, all to rave reviews. SM6 was also recently named Best Family Rock Band by *TMT* magazine.

Dedicated to giving back to their community, the siblings also regularly play charity events, performing for free or giving all proceeds to charities that are personally meaningful to them, especially the Alyssa Alvin Foundation for Hope, which puts musical instruments and art supplies into the hands of terminally ill children. SM6 also does ongoing work with the Ronald McDonald House, Loaves and Fishes and more.

Always circling the heart-filled center of music, SM6 continues to refine its sound through groundbreaking, joyful performances across the Midwest and beyond, rejuvenating renowned rock and pop songs while inventing bright originals both in the studio and on stage.