

## Mp3 Attached By Wires - Rock: Modern Rock



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Combines melodious vocals and rock guitars with live jungle beats and celluloid textures. 6 MP3 Songs

ROCK: Modernistic Rock ELECTRONIC: Drum 'n Bass/Jungle Affiliated By Wires Songs Details:

Affiliated By Wires (ABW) is a modernistic rock band from Southern California determined on taking their music into uncharted territory. Part of a small collective of groups combining live rock instrumentation with drum'n'bass, this quartet executes it's hybrid sound on "Affiliated By Wires", their self-titled release. "Our band is a result of the internal battle for an elusive sound: rock vs. electronica, classic vs. visionary, raw vs. refined," says Private Ryan (Vocals/Guitar). "We are filling a musical void that others have barely touched." ABW have built a local following playing shows throughout California. After releasing their six song EP in 2004 on Disposable Records, the band has already received airplay on various stations, including Indie 103.1 and C-Minus's show on Power105.9. Last August, they played to a crowd of over three hundred people at their record release party. At the end of 2004, Affiliated By Wires were featured in Music Connection as one of the nation's Hot 100 Unsigned Acts. Following a stint as a guitarist in the band VAST, Ryan left L.A. and returned to Orange County to start over. His childhood friend Brandon (Bass) had been honing his chops and wanted to start a band as well, so they both packed up and headed back to Los Angeles. Once there, they joined forces with Professor Syndakit (keyboard,laptop) whom Ryan had watched perform innovative drum'n'bass sets as a DJ with On Point. "We met through our mutual friends who used to throw jungle raves/keggers," Ryan explains. After numerous drummers passed through the band in true Spinal Tap fashion, they encountered Chris "Sah-Lee" (Drums), who impressed them with his ability to perform jungle breaks live. Equally impressed, he recalls leaving behind steady jazz and hip-hop gigs in Atlanta for the creative music scene in L.A. "I just wanted to do drum'n'bass in some facet that wasn't so DJ based, and when I heard their stuff I just couldn't stop

listening." The lineup was now complete. After performing for years under previous incarnations such as The Network and Icontact, ABW re-named themselves after one of their own songs. Brandon explains, "'Affiliated By Wires' was the first song all of us contributed to-and it became the benchmark for our sound." Ryan's melodious vocals pour out lyrics full of social commentary and intensely personal musings. Syndakit's futuristic laptop and synth applications perfectly compliment the shifting guitar effects. Sah-lee's frantic jungle drums anchor Brandon's soulful bass lines. Combining all these textures creates a sound that is heavy and beautiful all at once. With a full-length album (Syndakit notes, "the new tunes are much more collaborative and show off our individuality") and tour coming soon, this band is part of rock's new guard and soon to be a bona fide classic.

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