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MARCH INDIE THURSDAYS BRINGS THE BEST LOCAL INDEPENDENT MUSIC TALENT TO PERFORM AT THE RENAISSANCE HOLLYWOOD HOTEL & SPA

Hollywood, California –The Renaissance Hollywood Hotel & Spa is the place to go for live entertainment and fun. Scheduled for every Thursday in the hotel’s Lobby Bar, *Indie Thursdays* is always sure to be a fascinating show, featuring independent talents from all genres of music. The first Thursday each month are showcase performances with 5-6 independent artists competing for a paid performance the following month. *Indie Thursdays – Artist of the Month* performances are solo performances on the remaining Thursdays of the month (2nd, 3rd and 4th weeks, sometimes 5th weeks).

The March line-up features some of L.A.’s best local musicians:

March 10th:

Jesse Palter & The Alter Ego

BIO: Jesse Palter and the Alter Ego is the brain child of Jesse Palter (Detroit/Chicago) and Sam Barsh (Chicago/New York). Both established musicians and dynamic performers in their own right (Palter received honors as "Outstanding Jazz Vocalist" 3 years in a row at the Detroit Music Awards and Barsh has toured and recorded with the likes of Cassandra Wilson, Avishai Cohen, Boyz II Men, Bobby McFerrin and The Brand New Heavies, among others), The Alter Ego is creating a niche for themselves by blending catchy hooks, club-worthy beats, and captivating lyrics while maintaining the spirit of their jazz and soul roots.

March 17th

PETREE

Fronted by lead vocalist Stephen Petree, the four-man outfit includes bassist Dave Eropkin, lead guitarist Aaron Joseph and Drummer Adam Welch. MTV has already featured the tracks, “She Set It” and “Come Get It Now” on the series “The Hills.” Stephen’s songs have been featured in television shows "Dancing With The Stars," "America's Next Top Model," "So You Think You Can Dance," “One Tree Hill,” “The Real World” and “Hells Kitchen,” and just recently on “Rock Band 3” and “Iron Man 2.”

March 24th:

Matt Palmer

Los Angeles-based singer/songwriter, Matt Palmer, intends to bring back a needed breath of honesty into the world of R&B. No bravado, no flash just his own lyrics offered through heartfelt melodies and thoughtful songs. Matt's music is the unmistakable sound of a songwriter sharing sincere emotion and a piece of himself.

March 31st:

Elaine Faye

Producing a sound all her own using a combination of soul, pop and a touch of folk, Elaine Faye offers up a refreshing sound and an interesting take on laid back southern California soul.

Performances are free with no cover charge from 7:30PM to 9:30PM in the Lobby Bar each week. While enjoying the music, guests are encouraged to try the delicious appetizers, entrees, desserts, and handcrafted signature cocktails available.

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