

Stone Cold Miracle to release debut album



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Over the past three years, Stone Cold Miracle gradually has built a reputation as one

of Ithaca's top bands. Fronted by powerhouse vocalist Trece Stevenson, the quintet blends gospel, soul, rock, funk and jazz influences into a tasty whole.

The band — Stevenson, guitarists Nick Laverne and Dustin Stuhr, bassist Andy Adelewitz and drummer Zaun Marshburn — has finally completed its debut album, "Love Without a Doubt," and will play a release show Saturday night at the Dock. Recorded at Stark Studios, the West Hill facility run by Mike Stark (Wingnut, Mary Lorson, Jennie Stearns, etc.), the album includes 11 original songs, four written by Stevenson, six by guitarist Stuhr and one co-written by both of them.

The lyrics exude a positive vibe throughout the album.

"I write about what I feel, emotions and mainly stuff that connects with the heart: love, joy, peace, goodness, all those things," Stevenson said.

Added Adelewitz: "She's so good about writing about things in a universal way, taking a sentiment and turn it into a much bigger thing that's for everyone. She has

a knack for that."

"I now lyrically write with Trece in mind for this band, because I know if it doesn't register with her, she won't sing it," Stuhr said

"It has to register because I feel like our words will register with other people hardest," Stevenson said. "This is not a game to me, this is something that I absolutely love. Music is my life and that's the name of my foundation: Music Is My Life. I feel like music can change other people's lives, so when I sing it's not just to make you feel good for the moment, it's to make you think and reflect. And when you leave, I want you to leave happier than when you came."

To learn more, visit www.stonecoldmiracle.com.

Michael Stark will open with a solo set, and then sit in with the band for the rest of the night. Cover is \$10 for the 9 p.m. show.



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