

# GARY LUCAS

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A world class guitar hero, a Grammy-nominated songwriter and composer, an international recording artist with over 20 acclaimed solo albums to date, and a soundtrack composer for film and television, **GARY LUCAS** is on the move in 2008.

Dubbed *"The Thinking Man's Guitar Hero"* by The New Yorker, *"The world's most popular avant-rock guitarist"* by The Independent (UK), *"Legendary Leftfield guitarist"* by The Guardian (UK), *"Guitarist of 1000 Ideas"* by The New York Times, and *"a true axe God"* by Melody Maker, the British world music magazine Roots recently described Gary Lucas as *"without question, the most innovative and challenging guitarist playing today."* Rolling Stone's David Fricke wrote: *"Gary Lucas is one of the best and most original guitarists in America"* in a review of Gary's latest avant-rock album *"Coming Clean"*, which received 4 star reviews internationally. Gary was also selected by the editors of DownBeat

Magazine as one of their *"Hot 66 6-Stringers"*, alongside John McLaughlin, Richard Thompson, B.B King, and other guitar legends.

Gary Lucas tours the world relentlessly both solo and with several different ensembles, including his longtime band Gods and Monsters, whose ranks once included the late great singer **Jeff Buckley**. Gary co-wrote two of Jeff Buckley's most famous hits, *"Grace"* and *"Mojo Pin"*, which later became the title track and the opening track on Jeff's double platinum Sony album *"Grace"* – which MOJO magazine recently named the #1 Modern Classic Rock Album. Gary and Jeff's early collaborations can also be heard on the recent Jeff Buckley and Gary Lucas album *"Songs to No One"*, which charted internationally with worldwide sales approaching 100,000. Other notable recent Lucas releases include *"The Edge of Heaven"*, an album of Gary Lucas' lush arrangements of classic Chinese pop songs from the 1930s, which was #1 on the World Music charts in Canada and received rave reviews around the world, from Rolling Stone to the Hong Kong Music Weekly. Gary's compilation of the best of his early band and solo work entitled *"Operators are Standing By"* garnered a 4-star MOJO review: *"This album confirms Gary Lucas as THE psychedelic guitarist for the post-modern set."* Most of Gary's extensive back catalog as well as his current releases were recently licensed for digital distribution by IODA, and are now available on iTunes and on digital portals worldwide.

Gary continues to lead his longtime NYC-based band Gods and Monsters – currently a super-group based around Gary's guitar playing, singing, and songwriting, featuring Jerry Harrison (Talking Heads), Billy Ficca (Television) and Ernie Brooks (Talking Heads), along with Jason Candler and Joe Hendel. They have a new live DVD and new studio album wrapped. Gary is also working intensively with the UK Indian vocalist Najma Akhtar in a new world music project, which they debuted recently in NYC to very favorable response, and the pair have just finished recording their debut album. Gary is also involved in an electronica project known as Wild Rumpus with the UK-based DJ Cosmo (Colleen Murphy), and the duo released 2 very successful 12 inch singles this year. And Gary continues to co-lead and record with Fast 'N' Bulbous, a 7 piece ensemble devoted to the music of Gary's original music mentor, avant-rock visionary Captain Beefheart, with whom Lucas played and toured with as a featured soloist for 5 years – and which first put Gary Lucas on the musical map as a force to be reckoned with.

Gary Lucas makes his home in NYC.

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