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SURF'S UP in North Texas with the powerful, polished and precision sound of THE BIG GUNS.

Band of veteran players combines all-instrumental rock with surf, spaghetti western and twang to create a unique crowd favorite.

DALLAS, TEXAS – Imagine Clint Eastwood, dirty hat and guns drawn, high-plains driftin' ... on a surfboard. The Big Guns have carved a distinctive niche in the area music scene by presenting exactly that – an all-instrumental blend of '60s-era surf and the catchy, haunting melodies that Ennio Morricone produced for the famous Spaghetti Western movie series.

Toss in the punchy guitar sounds of Link Wray and the twangy pop of Duane Eddy, stir it all up with a big helping of The Ventures' James Bond and add a dash of classic Duke Ellington and even some Beatles. Now you've got an authentic, guitar-driven aural experience unlike anything to hit the Metroplex in... ever?

"I grew up listening to all the great guitar players who were doing the surf and twang thing – it was the golden era for all that stuff," says Big Guns front man Mike Haskins. "At the same time, these amazing melodies were coming out of the movies that fit so nicely with the surf sound – just big, powerful, drawn-out guitar notes." Haskins achieved fame as guitarist for the Nervebreakers, a Dallas-based band that toured and opened concerts for major acts including the Sex Pistols, Police, Ramones, and The Clash during the New Wave era of the early 1980s. The Nervebreakers released two LP's, plus a live LP backing the legendary Roky Erickson.

The Big Guns features three additional players with significant Texas-area experience – Danny McCreary on guitar, Devin Gibson on Drums, and Jim Dale on bass. Collectively, the group brings a great stage presence and tight, solid, performances to every show, large or small.

"The young kids who've never heard this stuff think it's just totally cool," says Haskins. "The older folks who know it always come up and say 'Man, I grew up with this music and I never hear anybody play it anymore.' To me, that's a thrill."

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