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Present

JAMES BRUNER

And the new single

EYE IN THE SKY

Artist: **JAMES BRUNER**

Track: **EYE IN THE SKY**



Format: Digital single

Label: **Maroon Records**

Genre: **Alt-Rock, Rock**

FFO: *The Darkness, The Struts, AC/DC*

"Bruner's taking the blues & deftly repackaging it in an accessible but still highly reverential fashion" – Rock Flesh

"His music raises the hairs on the back of your neck... it's really working!" - Dean Jackson I
BBC Nottingham, Derby, Lincolnshire & Leicester

Illinois born, Nashville based **James Bruner** tore it up in the UK & Europe before Christmas on a 20-date tour with Brit rockers **The Struts & Barns Courtney**, wowing crowds wherever he went with his highly charged rock n' roll set. Now he's back with a new single ***Eye In the Sky*** - a track that personifies the ever encroaching world of surveillance, AI & non-truths that we all seem to be facing these days.

Following on from his previous single, ***When I'm Down***, with its lush arrangement & heartfelt vocals, Bruner this time 'dials up the rock' on ***Eye In the Sky*** to deliver a mesmeric guitar-fest of a



track over which he tells his tale of succumbing to the seductive nature of modern life in a way similar to the 'sirens' of Greek mythology.

Recorded at Nashville's **Curb Studios**, the track features the stunning

lead guitar work of fellow musician **Zach Mears** - a welcome addition to both the live band and Bruner's studio work. There's also an acoustic version that compliments the lead track perfectly, while adding horns to the arrangement giving it a Hispanic flavour.

Bruner says of the release *"I've always loved the idea of making songs & lyrics as visual as possible. Personifying that 'eye in the sky' as a dark villain-esque character who gets a thrill out of creating trouble with no regard for anyone else, to me expresses how insidious this stuff can be!"*



Having come of age amidst skateboard culture in Springfield, Illinois, Bruner was drawn towards artists like **Roxy Music, David Bowie & Iggy Pop** as opposed to what his friends were listening to at the time. Watching how skaters executed their craft on videos featuring **Iggy Pop's Lust for Life, Rod Stewart's Every Picture Tells a Story & Black Sabbath's Paranoid** inspired him to get a guitar aged 15. He was soon to join local band **Unchained** as lead vocalist & rhythm guitar - but it was when he moved to Nashville that his focus on songwriting & working with topflight musicians began to bear fruit.

Full band shows as a solo artist began around 2022/23 & since then Bruner has not looked back, honing his craft as a live performer on various high-profile tours; one in the US with **Barns Courtney, The Ramona Flowers & UK indie faves Yonaka** plus two tours of Europe with UK alt rockers **The Struts & Nashville singer-songwriter William Fitzsimmons**. Alongside his live work, Bruner's been busy developing his songwriting through working with a wide variety of musicians, vocal coaches & producers in the studio.

2025 sees a new chapter for **James Bruner** who, with substantial touring experience behind him, is now focusing on his recorded output with an EP release this spring and further recording sessions at Nashville's renown **Curb Studios** – don't miss!



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