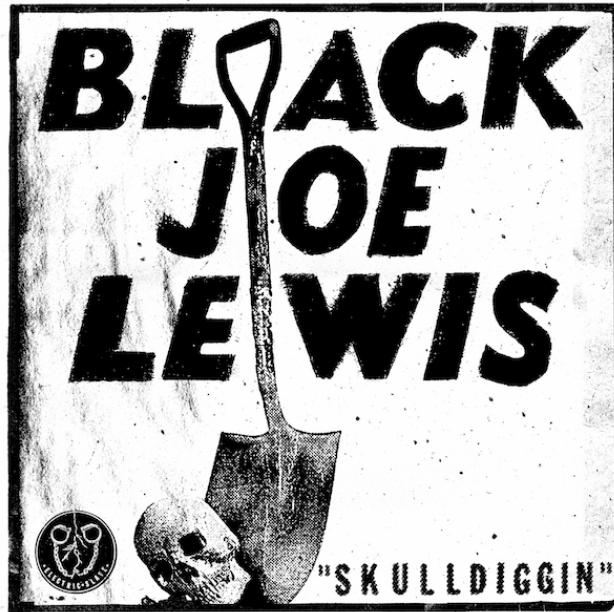


**Black Joe Lewis Announce New Album *Electric Slave*
To Be Released August 27 on Vagrant Records
Listen To First Track "Skulldiggin"**



Black Joe Lewis are excited to announce details surrounding their brand new full-length LP, *Electric Slave*, to be released on August 27 on Vagrant Records. Most of the album was produced by GRAMMY award winner Stuart Sikes (White Stripes, Cat Power, Modest Mouse) and recorded at Church House Studios in Austin, TX. Three of the new tracks ("Skulldiggin," "Dar Es Salaam," "My Blood Ain't Runnin' Right") were recorded and produced by John Congleton (Explosions in the Sky, St. Vincent, Okkervil River) at Elmwood Studios in Dallas.

Commenting about the new album's title and thematic elements, Joe himself said "*Electric Slave* is what people are today with their faces buried in their iPhones and the only way to hold a conversation is through text. The next step is to plug it in to your damned head. Nothing is up front anymore and people are de socializing."

Listen to one of the tracks on the album, "Skulldiggin," now at the link below:

<http://soundcloud.com/black-joe-lewis/skulldiggin/>

The band are also excited to unveil an upcoming North American tour supporting *Electric Slave*. The band will hit the road beginning in September, playing a number of shows along the east coast including a show at New York's Terminal 5 on September 26 with Okkervil River and Pickwick. Pickwick will support on a number of dates. For complete itinerary, please see below.

TOUR DATES

Jun 26 Austin, TX **KGSR** "Blues on the Green" at Zilker Park Set Time: 8:15p
July 14 Sun Cincinnati, OH "Bunbury Music Fest"
Sept 7 Nashville, TN @ Mercy
Sept 8 Atlanta, GA @ Terminal West
Sept 9 Charleston, SC @ Pour House
Sept 10 Carrboro, NC @ Cat's Cradle
Sept 12 Boston, MA @ Royale
Sept 13 Portland, ME @ Port City Music Hall
Sept 14 Fredricton, NB @ Harvest Blues Festival
Sept 15 Halifax, NS @ Seahorse Tavern
Sept 18 Montreal, QC @ La Sala
Sept 19 Toronto, ON @ Lee's %
Sept 20 Ithaca, NY @ The Haunt %
Sept 22 Philadelphia, PA @ Union Transfer %
Sept 26 New York, NY @ Terminal 5 #
Sept 28 Cleveland, OH @ Grog Shop %
Sept 30 Milwaukee, WI @ Turner %
Oct 1 Minneapolis, MN @ First Avenue %
Oct 2 Lincoln, NE @ Bourbon Theatre %
Oct 3 Norman, OK @ Univ of Oklahoma %

% = w/ *Pickwick*

= w/ *Okkervil River, Pickwick*

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