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### FireSquid

AND NOW YOU KNOW song review

<https://firesquid.blogspot.com/2018/06/song-feature-mike-freund-and-now-you.html>

It is always great to hear somebody who has a deep understanding for roots music, because Mike Freund has an excellent grasp on blues and old-school funk. You can hear in the guitar solo that Mike has put in hard time in on the fretboard, and the notes that flow out of those pickups come from a true professional, a gritty veteran of the blues. Hailing from South Carolina, Mike has captured the battered soul of Southern music. "And Now You Know" is a blues stomper and a show stopper with a thick funk guitar riff that is a perfect match for Mike's Les Paul. This blog usually features indie music, but sometimes the heavier, bluesier stuff is what I am yearning for. It does not try to soften itself; it has more of an edge. Sometimes music has to go for the gut, which Mike succeeds in doing for sure.

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### INDIE MUSIC PLUS

AND NOW YOU KNOW album review

<http://indiemusicplus.com/mike-freund-and-now-you-know/>

Charleston, SC-based blues-rocker Mike Freund has released his second full-length record, And Now You Know, and boy is it a scorcher! The experienced guitarist is alive on every track, displaying his catchy guitar licks, fun vibes, and self-reflective lyrics at every turn. Freund, pronounced "Friend", is no stranger to adversity, having already overcome multiple obstacles in his relentless pursuit of music, including car accidents and thieves. His struggle has been well worth it, as he has given his listeners the gift of a rockin' batch of new tunes. These are tunes that make one want to keep listening over and over again.