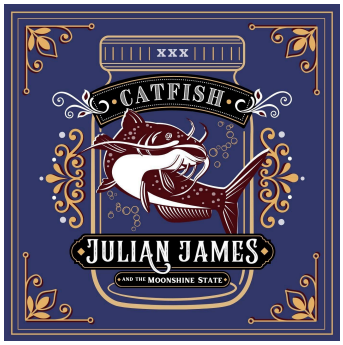
New music alert: Fresh new take on Muddy Waters classic by award-winning Melbourne musician Julian James
"Catfish" - produced by ARIA winner Matt Fell, featuring guests Charlie Musselwhite and Hussy Hicks



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Award-winning Melbourne musician **Julian James** has taken the classic **Muddy Waters** tune, *Catfish Blues* and dialled up the arrangement to offer a fresh, upbeat Americana twist on the 1950 Delta blues track.

Re-naming his rendition simply as *Catfish,* the single will be released across all digital platforms on Friday, October 11, 2024.

Produced by the ARIA Award-winning **Matt Fell**, this track features the legendary **Charlie Musselwhite** on harmonica and backing vocals from the **Hussy Hicks,** with Fell on bass. With its dynamic new energy and innovative take on a blues classic, *Catfish* promises to breathe new life into a beloved favorite.

Says Julian "*Catfish* has always been one of my favorite Muddy Waters songs. I wanted to give it my own spin and infuse it with my own energy.

"Having Charlie Musselwhite play on the track is a dream come true for me, especially since he's played with Muddy Waters himself."

Julian James has been around Melbourne's live music scene since before he was allowed to drink in bars and has released four well-received albums to date, receiving a Chain Award for Emerging Blues Artist of the Year at the Australian Blues Festival in 2020.

Whether it's with his band, The Moonshine State or as a solo artist, Julian's shows have been known to embody a fusion of high-energy, whiskey -drenched Americana Hill country blues.

And now, he hits the road in duo mode, with his vibrantly talented wife, Beck Kate on percussion and backing vocals.

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