

# A1A – The Official and Original Jimmy Buffett Tribute Show



## 2017 Bio, Promo, and Press Release

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**A1A – The Official and Original Jimmy Buffett Tribute Show** was born in 1991 when Lead Vocalist and Guitarist, Jeff Pike asked Atlanta Parrot Head Club founder, Scott Nickerson to join him in his already successful one man tribute show to Jimmy Buffett. In 1992, the band won a Jimmy Buffett Sound A Like Contest for Margaritaville Records and the A1A ball started rolling – a ball that is still rolling more than 25 years later.

A1A has a long history with Jimmy Buffett and the Parrot Head Community across the country, having earned a stellar reputation. Check out the **The Parrot Heads Documentary** released in 2017 to find A1A history and old footage.

Over the years as the band has grown, A1A has been extremely instrumental in the foundational building and growth of the International Parrot Head Club community and Trop Rock genre. The band repeatedly headlines the annual Jimmy Buffett 'Meeting of the Minds' Parrot Head convention and many land mark events. A1A has released three CD's of original Trop Rock music, performed for countless high profile clients around the world and continue to draw record crowds to their public performances. Most members of Jimmy Buffett's band have taken the stage and performed with A1A over the years. Nadirah Shakoor, a longtime member of Jimmy's band chose A1A to be the backup band in promoting her Mailboat Records release, '**Nod To The Story Teller**'. In 2012 Jimmy was instrumental in landing A1A in the Lionsgate major motion picture release, '**What To Expect When You're**

**Expecting.** The band recorded Jimmy's classic, 'Why Don't We Get Drunk,' which was included in the movie and on the soundtrack released by Capitol Records.

2016 marked A1A's 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and we once again had a great season! Our first show of the year was a personal invitation from Jimmy Buffett and Mac McAnally to perform as their backup band at a private party for select National Dignitaries and The World Surf League in Augusta, Georgia at the Masters. Not surprising, the band was very proud to be Jimmy's 'Coral Reefer Band' for a day. The rest of the season just grew from there and after a scorching hot and successful summer we closed out the 'The Labor Day Weekend End of Summer Bash' at the Washington State Fair with Tim McGraw, Kid Rock, and Uncle Kracker. We kicked off 2017 season with a sold-out show at The Historic Holly Theater in Georgia.

A1A performs as an eight-piece band, complete with audio and light production, bringing to life a colorful and energetic family friendly Jimmy Buffett Tribute Show. For added ambiance and realism, adding the A1A Beachwrecked Pirates is a sure-fire way to boost up the enthusiasm and energy to your event. Clients have the option of adding a horn section to the show enhancing the performance.

When attending an A1A performance you can expect to hear your Jimmy Buffett favorites. You will also be treated to some classic Reggae and original A1A trop Rock music. The music, musicianship, originality, and excitement that have always surrounded an A1A performance is an experience and a driving force that has helped the band remain the first and foremost Jimmy Buffett Show in history.

Let A1A make your concert, festival, fair, private, or corporate event or theater show an experience that people will be talking about for a long time to come.

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#### **A1A Members:**

**Jeff Pike** – Lead Vocals and Acoustic Guitar

**Chris Blackwell** – Lead Guitar

**Aretta Baumgartner** – Background Vocals

**Eric Baumgartner** – Piano, Keyboards and Background Vocals

**Taryn Carmona** – Background Vocals

**Nico G** – Pan Steel Drums and Percussion

**Rick Meeder** – Bass Guitar

**Vance Kelly** – Saxophone

**Wayne Viar** – Drums and Percussion

**Joseph 'FOE' Davis** – A1A Beachwrecked Pirate

**Tommy Morfoot** – A1A Beachwrecked Pirate

**Chad Stewart** – A1A Production Director, Audio, and Production

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