

The end of our interview was inspired by the iconic movie *Almost Famous*, asking what they love about music. Sorini stated, "It is a physical manifestation of my spiritual being, and I am being myself at all times." White said, "Music is another artistic form of expression where you can just be yourself, no matter what." Suit followed with, "Music calms the mind and makes you peaceful. I can't imagine life without music; it would be dead silent, and I would probably go crazy." Scott adds, "Music is the only thing that makes me at peace. When I need to let go and not focus on anything, I play music. It's a way to express all of the emotions that you feel on a daily basis."

It wasn't long before Chandler and Suit started a side conversation about the feeling music gives you. Chandler began by saying, "There are these certain songs that tell stories, and it's a different way of telling a story because you get a whole different emotion with it. People connect to music." Suit responds to Chandler, "Yes, and no one's meaning behind a song is exactly the same." Chandler finishes by stating, "That's the magic of music, everyone has their own meaning and interpretations. Music is a feeling."

As I watched the band take to the stage for the first time, I could see that their passion for music and their uninhibited excitement to play would make for a great show. They played a combination of originals and covers with their own spin on it. The covers consisted of artists like Led Zeppelin, Five Man Electric Band, Ricky Nelson, and Culture Club. They describe themselves as a band that incorporates multiple music genres, including hard rock, classic rock, jazz, blues, and "Funk with a capital FUNK" as they all worded it.

Carry the Five definitely kept the crowd entertained the whole show. Each member of the band brought their own unique character to the stage. Sorini rocked the bass, Suit kept it groovy with his wicked pianist skills, Chandler gave the crowd chills with his powerful voice, Scott and White kept it cool by wearing a pair of shades and rocking out on the drums and guitar.

Since their first gig ever, Carry the Five has continued playing gigs around the twin cities area and have more coming up. They also have their debut EP coming out this summer, called *The Self Storage Sessions*.

**Click here to follow the band on
instagram @carrythefive!**



Supporting Local Music

You don't need to travel far or pay a lot of money to hear some great music. Minneapolis has been listed as one of the top ten cities in the country for its local music scene by multiple publications, including *The Owl*.

If you're wondering how to discover artists in the area, listening to local radio stations is a great way to start. The Twin Cities have dozens of radio stations that play music by independent musicians. Not to mention, it's a switch up from the typical top 100 songs most radio stations play. Radio stations like Radio K, Go96, The Current, and 93X all feature Minnesota based musicians.

Reading publications, like *City Pages* and *The Minnesota Daily*, is another great source for finding music and events in the Twin Cities. They do features on local Minnesota artists, which include how and where to go to listen to them.

Minnesota is home to many great venues that play live and local music. It is also good way to have a fun, cheap night out while supporting local businesses. Venues like Minnesota Music Cafe, Turf Club, Acadia, and many more host live bands from the area for a small admittance fee. When seeing Carry the Five at Acadia, I only paid five dollars. Places like these are the heart of Minnesota's music scene.

Following artists on social media is a great way to stay updated on their upcoming shows, music releases, and show them support. There is so much to discover right here in the cities, you will not be disappointed, as there is something for everyone.

