

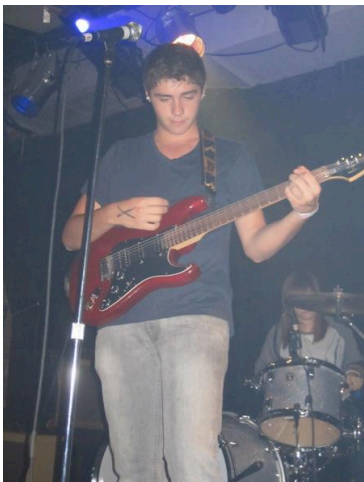
# Rolling Stone

## SPOTLIGHT: Same New World

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**Bio:**

With rock and roll on his mind, young musician and rock enthusiast Will Ruben formed the band “Same New World” in June of 2014. Since then, he has toured the country, dedicated to producing and performing music that celebrates the history of rock and roll. His original songs such as “Rock all Day” and “Last Kid Alive From the Summer of 69” have topped the charts in the last few months, reaching numbers 6 and 11 in the country, respectively. It is safe to say that Same New World is on a hot streak! His most recent release, titled “We Didn't Go to Woodstock,” is a remixed cover of Billy Joel’s “We Didn’t Start the Fire.” This discussion of rock history is a clever and comprehensive depiction of rock appreciation amongst our nation’s youth. As Ruben had hoped, his musical talent has inspired an incredible percentage of young people to identify with many prominent musical acts from previous decades. At the same time, this new release has caught the eye of older generations. These fans and critics have described listening to “We Didn’t Go to Woodstock” as a, “thrilling journey through time,” and “a refreshing change of pace.” Along with the entire Rolling Stone team, I expect a promising future for this young musician.



### **Interview Highlights:**

*Why do you think your music is important?*

“Today, the radio is saturated with dubstep, rap, and over produced hip-hop and house music. What older generations may have forgotten amidst the highly commercialized popular music of today is that my generation grew up listening to the classics. I used to scroll through my dad’s iTunes, listen to bands like the Beatles and Pink Floyd, and obsess over them while burning CD’s. I want to show this excitement through my musical creations.”

*What do you wish to accomplish with your upcoming album?*

“I want to prove that my appreciation for this music is not a childish sentiment that has since been lost on my generation. Rock and Roll music of the past and present is and will continue to be celebrated by the young and old alike. A great example of this celebratory nature is the culture of annual music festivals like Bonnaroo and the Governor’s Ball. I hope to perform at some of these festivals after the release of the album.”

*What is your favorite thing about being a musician?*

“Wow, that’s a tough question. I’d say I have two different approaches to answering that question. First, I love that music gives me the power to share my ideas with the world. Instead of going around making speeches about rock, or teaching it in a classroom, I get to be creative every day in how I present my beliefs. Music is how I share those beliefs. Second, I love the lifestyle that my career provides. I have traveled all around the country, meeting so many incredibly people and seeing places I never even imagined. Soon, I hope to take my tour worldwide.

### **Featured Song (lyric sheet): “We Didn’t Go to Woodstock”**

Verse 1:

Rockabilly, Elvis Presley, Carl Perkins, Tutti Frutti  
Country roots, bluegrass, rhythm and blues  
Little Richard, Rolling stones, Doo Wop, Surf Rock  
Beach Boys in California, That's Alright Mama

Johnny Cash, Folsom Prison, songs he stole from Gordon Jenkins,  
Pipeline, Chantays, Surfin’ in the USA,  
Quarrymen to Beatles, I Can’t get no Satisfaction  
Global rock sensations, British rock invasion

Chorus:

We didn’t go to Woodstock  
But rock is always blasting  
And it’s ever lasting

We didn’t go to Woodstock  
No we didn’t write it  
But we’ll never fight it

Verse 2:

Garage Rock, Punk Rock, Soft Rock, Power Pop,  
Jimi Hendrix, Woodstock, come back Psychedelic Rock  
Elton John, The Ramones, Lynyrd Skynyrd, Animals  
Peace, love, lots of drugs, anti war anthems

Sheena's a Punk Rocker Now, Paul McCartney sings Michelle  
Maybe I'm Amazed that the, Kinks have really got me now  
Beatles break up, free bird, All Along the Watchtower  
We play guitar on every fret, while singing Benny and the Jets

Chorus:

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Verse 3:

Bob Dylan's Blowin' in The Wind, The Times they are a Changin'  
Billy Joel, high distortion, and music on television  
Folk-rock, Heavy metal, Black Sabbath, Jane's Addiction,  
James Taylor, Dream on, the House of the Rising Sun

Jazz Rock to alternative, it's smelling Like Teen Spirit  
Moshing, head banging, Steven Tyler screaming  
Blues Rock, Fire and Rain, Keith Moon goes insane  
Kiedis, rehabilitation, spokesmen of our generation

Chorus:

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Outro:

Michael Jackson, King of Pop, Queen, Freddie Mercury,  
Grunge starring Kurt Cobain  
I just want to rock all day!

Chorus (x2):

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**Featured Song (Audio File):**  
See attached Mp3