Senior Christian Stahl uses personal songwriting and performing with his band Paramount as a way to process life events as well as furthering his passion and talent in music

EXPLORING THE

Stats and information about Paramount's debut EP, "The Fear of Being Alone"



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"THE FEAR OF **BEING ALONE"**









Christian's musical progression

2020 FIRST SHOWS

christian's mom's garage

"It's more of a jam than an [actual] show."

highlights: joke songs & jamming out

2021 BENEFIT CONCERT

the truman

*joint charity show hosted by E3 to raise money for LGBTQ+ and homeless teens

highlights: playing with other bands & at a large venue

2023 RECORDING DEBUT RECORD

> "It was kind of grungy, but a really fun experience since it was so different. We were just so used to hearing it from walls of the garage.

highlights: grunge and DIY-esque recording in producer's basement

WHAT ROLE DOES SONGWRITING AND MUSIC PLAY IN YOUR LIFE OUTSIDE OF THE BAND?

"THERE WAS A CERTAIN point in my life where my coping mechanism for sh-- that happens in my life was just to write about it, which turned into songwriting. That's just the way I deal with things now. If anything happens, I lock myself in a room with my guitar for like, four hours. I'd say that's the beauty of music — you can just kind of spill yourself over a few chords and some words.

WHAT DO YOU WRITE FIRST: LYRICS OR MUSIC? "MUSIC FIRST. ALWAYS. I think vocals are just kind of a touch you can add to make it more

diverse, but it's the riff that [makes] it. I think you can write the lyrics whenever but really only do you get the feeling and structure of the song from the emotion spilling [from] the guitar.

WHAT'S THE ATMOSPHERE LIKE **AT YOUR GARAGE SHOWS?**

"SINCE IT'S ONLY US we can do whatever we want. We don't like to take ourselves seriously. We play a lot of joke songs and pop covers. Recently, I got this autotune pedal, and I like to [recreate] the Travis Scott fall.

Meet the members of Paramount

JOSH BASS

played for 2 vears



·favorite song to play is "Forty Six & 2" by TOOL

ROCCO DRUMS

played for **6** vears ·favorite song to perform is

