

**H**ere is a riddle for you: What does a funk blues band with a touch of reggae and hip-hop sound like? The answer is: Kimon & the Prophets. Having recently released their first album as a group, "Roadhouse Party," Kimon & the Prophets are going to be taking over the music scene with their awesome, original sound.

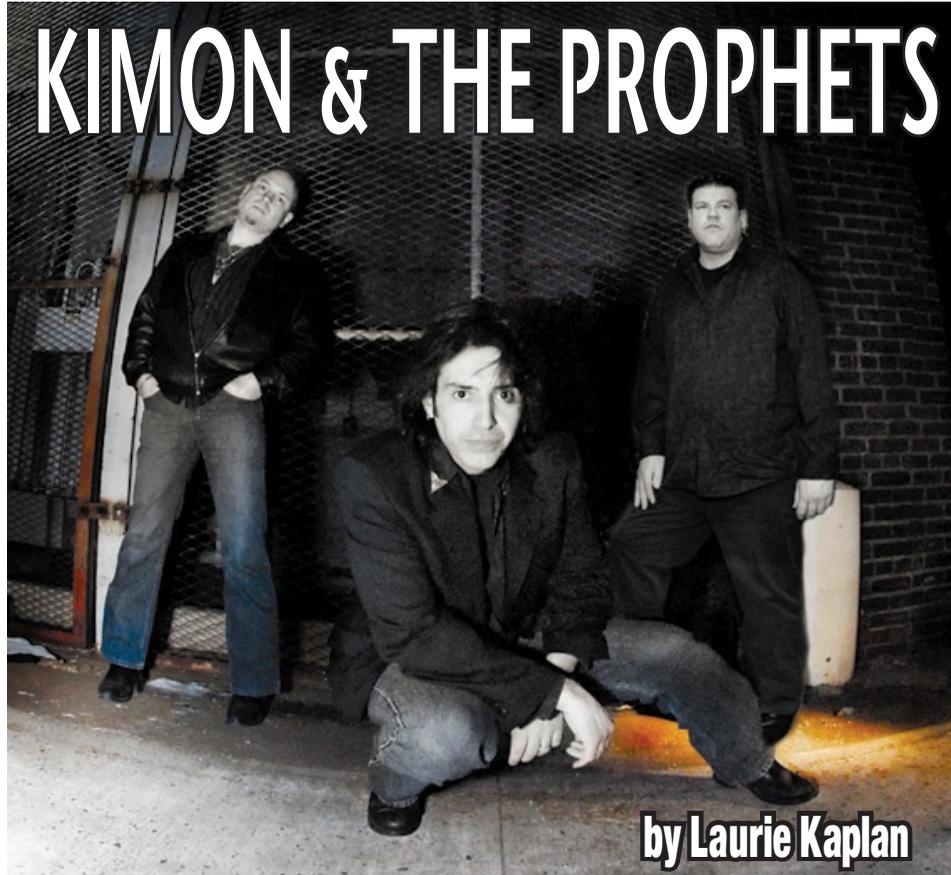
As it states on their Web site, each member of the Kimon & the Prophets is a veteran musician, having been a part of numerous bands with national releases.

Kimon Katafigiotis was born in New York City and moved across the river to Jersey at the age of 5 before he ever realized music would be in his future. In my opinion, that lengthens the list of extremely talented musicians that have emerged from the Garden State.

"I was 12 when I first started taking guitar lessons, and not long after that my friends and I 'recorded' our first song on my dad's reel-to-reel," says Katafigiotis. "I never got over the feeling of playing something, and then being able to hear it back from the recorder. Then when you add to that the immediate human response that you get when playing live, it's all just very addictive."

Later in life he became a guitarist and co-writer with The Wilsons, and later joined Fear of Falling, where he met drummer Rob Savoy, the Prophets drummer. The two went on to form the electronic rock group Psonica; however, it soon disbanded.

"The Prophets kind of evolved from the albums that I had started making around 2000," explains Katafigiotis. "They



weren't exactly solo albums, but I didn't exactly have a traditional "band" either. Rob Savoy, our drummer, was with me from even before that, but we had this sort of unintentional revolving door of musicians. It seemed like every six months someone different was in the band. It wasn't until Marc Gambino joined us last February on bass and vocals, that I think we became a real "band" in the pure sense of the word."

Gambino was already a European success story, as a member of the rock band Concrete Jungle and later with Maybe Pete.

So, in 2008, the trio declared themselves Kimon & the Prophets, and quickly developed their own style of song, mixing blues, funk, '70s rock and even hip-hop. They have since performed at venues all over the tri-state area as well as live on radio stations including WDBK and WPSC.

Fans can check out their latest news and listen to songs by Kimon & the Prophets on their Web site, [www.kimon.tv](http://www.kimon.tv), or on MySpace at [www.myspace.com/prophetsband](http://www.myspace.com/prophetsband).

Kimon & the Prophets have been selected to perform at the NACA (National Association of Campus Activities) Mid Atlantic Festival on March 6 and 7 in East Stroudsburg, Pa., and from that plans to put together a college tour in the near future, now that "Roadhouse Party" has been released. For now however, they have a slew of upcoming shows at local venues.

Some up and coming shows will take place on Feb. 20 at Fitzgerald's Harp 'n Bard in Clifton at 9:30 p.m., March 4 at the Cyber Café West in Binghamton, N.Y. at 8 p.m., March 14 at the Shark Fin Inn in Forked River, N.J. at 9:30 p.m., and April 4 at The Saint in Asbury Park. They will also be performing at a fundraiser for the Red Raiders Baseball Team at the VFW in Kinnelon, N.J. on April 3 at 7 p.m.

Their gig listing is always updated on [www.kimon.tv/pages/live.html](http://www.kimon.tv/pages/live.html).