

ALL THE RAGE

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DeSoL

— Lucas Hendrickson



Psychologists probably have a 26-syllable name for this, but we're certain there resides a switch somewhere deep within everyone's gray matter that gets flipped when we hear Latin music.

That switch regulates the inhibitors that would normally make people shy away from public displays of rhythm (or utter lack thereof), and turns them into whirling party dervishes capable of prolonged displays of celebration.

The guys in deSoL, the six-piece Asbury Park-spawned hybrid band that will release its self-titled Curb debut in July, seek to flip that switch night after night with their combination of R&B, rock and Latin sounds. The debut single, *Karma*, sounds a bit like what continued Santana/Rob Thomas collaborations might have sounded like in a full-time context: chiming and crunchy guitars, smooth vocals and lyrics, and a relentlessly danceable rhythm.

So now that the temps are reliably in the 80s, and that urge to get out of the house for something fiesta-like is stronger than ever, maybe it's time to flip the switch.

DeSoL performs at 9pm Wed., June 1, at Mercy Mounge, 1 Cannery Row. Undershade also performs. Admission to the 18+ show is \$8. Cann 251-3020 for more information.