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deSol and Days Awake rock in the new year



(ASBURY PARK, NJ) -- The Stone Pony in Asbury Park will be the place to be this New Year's Eve as Asbury Park's own deSol makes a return to the area with two-sets that will have you rocking in the new year. Warming things up for deSol will be Days Awake, one of the area's hottest upcoming acts.

deSol hasn't been seen around these parts much as they've been very busy in 2005. The word "break-out year" hardly even does justice to what deSol has accomplished this past year. After releasing their self-titled breakthrough album on Curb Records this year they went on to tour around the country. In addition to playing practically every music festival from Bonnaroo to South by Southwest to Lollapalooza and the Austin City Limits Music Festival, they were chosen to open for REM in Mexico City. They are currently touring Texas with Del Castillo & Los Super Vatos and have recently played dates with the Wailers, Los Lonely Boys, and Widespread Panic. To cap things off, their version of "The Little Drummer Boy" is one of the most played new Christmas songs of the season.

Opening act Days Awake has quickly become one of the top bands in the area. They took home four Asbury Music Awards this year, including Top Rock Band and Top Jam Band. Band members Eric Safka and Sarah Tomek walked away Top Keyboard Player and Best Drummer respectively. Known for their gritty rock and gutsy soul with a shot of R&B, the band continues to play regular dates at venues such as The Stone Pony, The Bitter End in New York City, and the Grape Street Pub in Philadelphia. They will begin recording their first album in December.

The pairing will make for a legendary show, combining a unique mix of rock, R&B and Latin soul. Listeners can tune into 90.5 The NIGHT or visit asburymusic.com to win free tickets. All paid admissions receive a limited edition Stone Pony New Year's 2006 poster and a special gift from Max Cruise Entertainment.

Doors open at 9 p.m. on Saturday, December 31. Tickets are \$20 in advance, \$25 at the door. The legendary club will be decked out in a "Carnivale" theme. Admission includes party favors, a champagne toast at midnight, and drink specials all night. DJ Kyle spins. Tickets can be purchased at through Ticketmaster, at the Stone Pony box office, or through the Days Awake website.

For more information about deSol visit desolmusic.com -- for more information on Days Awake visit daysawake.com.