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on the charts with originals Beddow says are "cooking."

In the meantime Beddow continues to play the clubs at night and guest teach in West Bloomfield Schools during the day.

"We play trombone-driven party blues, hot danceable rock and rhythm & blues music," said Beddow, a 1970 graduate of Birmingham Groves

High School. "We have five ballads we pull out on request, but most of our music is get on your feet, feel good and start moving."

"It's funk and jazz, energized," Olds added. The *Smokin' Live* CD is \$20 (includes shipping) and available on line at www.bugsbeddow.com or by calling the hot line at (248) 546-BUGS.

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Duffy King (from left), Bugs Beddow, Jim Pryor, James Morse and Glenn Olds recently released their 'Smokin' Live' CD. The band plays this weekend in Pontiac and Birmingham.

Restaurants, churches offer Lenten fare

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During the Lenten season fish is a popular dining option at local eateries, pubs, churches and fraternal organizations. Here's a sampling of what's available:

RESTAURANTS AND PUBS

■ **Hoops Food, Sports & Spirits**, 2705 Lapeer Road, Auburn Hills, (248) 975-4744 - noon to 2 a.m. Sunday, 11 a.m. to 2 a.m. Monday-Saturday. Lenten Friday special of fresh perch with coleslaw (\$11.95). Fish sandwiches (\$6.25) and fish & chips (\$7.95) available daily.

■ **Max & Erma's**, 31205 Orchard Lake Road, Farmington Hills, (248) 855-0990, and 250 Merrill St., Birmingham, (248) 258-1188 - 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Sunday, 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Monday-Thursday, 11 a.m. to midnight Friday-Saturday. Fish and chips with coleslaw \$9.99.

■ **All Area Big Boy** Restaurants offer an all-you-can-eat seafood bar on Fridays beginning at 4 p.m. Buffet is \$13.95 for adults and \$6.95 for children under 10. Locations include: 29700 Southfield

Road, Southfield, (248) 559-1560; 25555 Telegraph, south of Ten Mile Road, Southfield, (248) 358-1481; 200 W. Maple Rd. at Livernois, Troy, (248) 362-0840; 2995 E. Long Lake Rd. at Desperiere, Troy, (248) 879-5866; 901 E. Big Beaver at Rochester Road, Troy, (248) 524-1188; 6545 Orchard Lake Road at Maple, West Bloomfield, (248) 851-1400; 6675 Telegraph, Bloomfield Hills, (248) 642-0717; 1615 Opdyke, Bloomfield Hills, (248) 858-2315; 6440 Dixie Highway, Clarkston, (248) 625-3344; 955 Lapeer Road, Oxford, (248) 628-3841; 3756 Rochester & M-59, Rochester, (248) 852-5540; 185 Livernois, Troy Hills, (248) 632-0533

Adult. offers 'Anxiety Always'



Street Scene

Stephanie Angelini Casola

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interested - from instrumentalists to songs heavy on vocals and bass. Songs like *Shaka Your Head* and *Kick in the Shin* sound impulsive, additive.

"We were over-eager to write an album," said Kuperus.

Part of the anxiety associated with this record came from the threat of a sophomore slump. Adult. was well aware that fans would have high expectations this time around.

The duo escaped that pressure last time. When *Resuscitation* was released it was more of a sleeper hit, picking up momentum as time passed on. Now established, Adult. has a lot to live up to.

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"We drove our friends crazy," said Miller. "With this album, we played (the songs) for no one. That added to the anxiety always too."

Another important aspect of the overall Adult. brand comes from Kuperus' own photography. Her stark, clean imagery leaves you looking curiously for more. "Her photography has

become a trademark for Adult.," Miller said.

It happened accidentally. They were looking for a photograph of a month to feature on the cover of *Oral-Olio* in 1999. After fishing through her work, they found one and used it. Happy with the response, they tried it again on a picture disc and it became a must-have item. The tone was set on just how Adult. would look and sound.

So when New York's Interpol contacted Kuperus to do a photograph for their album, she had to turn them down. "It's become us now," said Miller.

The two joke about when she'll have time to prepare for a solo photography show she's planning at Detroit Contemporary art gallery. "Hopefully this summer I'll get some new photos done," she said.

In the meantime Adult. is preparing for "extreme tiredness" which will inevitably accompany the upcoming North American tour - their biggest at 20 shows in 26 days.

If their first show since *Anxiety's* completion - March 21 in Miami during the Winter Music Conference - was any indication the new material will be well-received.

"It was just a really fun, hot, party place," said Miller. He relayed a story about fans literally jumping onstage and pulling off their pants.

Miller said these days their shows are more energetic and include more vocals. That doesn't mean people have stopped asking him whether he's just checking his e-mail up there.

Look for *Anxiety Always* in record stores now. And welcome Adult. home when the band performs with tablemates and opens Magas, Goudron 9 p.m. Saturday, May 17 at the Magic Stick, Detroit. Call (313) 833-9700.

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