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## **KIFF PLAYS JOE'S PUB MAY 23 AND MO PITKIN'S MAY 24**

- SF-based Singer-Songwriter, w/ Full Band, Supports New Album in NYC's Village -

**WHAT:** San Francisco-based singer-songwriter KIFF (w/ 6-piece band) supports his new full-length release, *You Can't Keep it Down* with two NYC shows.

**WHEN:** May 23rd (Joe's Pub) and May 24th (Mo Pitkin's)  
Both shows at 9:00pm

<b>WHERE:</b> Joe's Pub on 5/23	Mo Pitkin's on 5/24
425 Lafayette St	334 Avenue A
NYC, 10003	NYC, 10009
<a href="http://www.joespub.com">www.joespub.com</a>	<a href="http://www.mopitkins.com">www.mopitkins.com</a>

### **BACKGROUND:**

In 2004, Chris "Kiff" Gallagher's debut was called "stunning" by the SF Weekly, "a breath of fresh air" by TheOwlMag.com and "pure heaven" by Melodic.net. This year, Kiff released his sophomore album, *You Can't Keep it Down* which has quickly eclipsed his buzz-worthy debut among fans and music critics alike.

Soon after the former White House staffer and nonprofit president dropped his day job to make music, it was clear that he had a gift. Kiff sold out San Francisco's *Café du Nord* at his first headline show, and went on to share bills with Gavin Degraw, Aqualung, Missy Higgins and others. Kiff's sweet melodies over rich chord progressions have drawn comparisons to these and other radio-friendly songwriters, but his soul-edge and fierce groove set him apart.

Music Connection magazine says *You Can't Keep it Down* "echos the likes of Maroon5 and classic soul-popster Stevie Wonder" while Bay Area's KFOG compares Kiff to Jamiroquai. Trend Central adds, "a mix of rock, pop, funk, soul paired with a killer voice and some serious skills on the piano, Kiff brings a refreshing complexity to the stagnant singer-songwriter music scene."

Kiff attracted award-winning talent to the making of his latest self-written, self-produced LP. Recorded at several studios in the Bay Area and LA, *You Can't Keep it Down* features players and engineers who have worked with Seal, The Killers, Elton John, Macy Gray, Nelly Furtado, Fiona Apple, Bonnie Raitt and others. The results are generating significant industry chatter.

After a sold-out record release party in January, at SF's 500+ capacity club *The Independent*, Kiff brings his Cali-based, 6-piece band to NYC's Village for two shows in late May. Catch KIFF at Joe's Pub on May 23rd and Mo Pitkin's on May 24th. More info at [www.kiff.com](http://www.kiff.com) or [www.myspace.com/kiffmusic](http://www.myspace.com/kiffmusic).