



THE GGOOLLDD STANDARD

Margaret Butler, singer with Milwaukee-based electropop act **GG00LLDD**, calls her band's music "dungeon disco glam." (Pronounced "gold," the unusual spelling of the band name comes from Butler's trying to differentiate her band in Google searches. Entering "Gold band" into Google brought up a bunch of wedding rings.)

I ask Butler if she can define such an unusual description any further, and she playfully says, "No, not really." But those three words do convey GG00LLDD's blend of danceable dream pop, theatrical stage shows and the synth-goth grooves of Depeche Mode, as well as a charismatic lead singer and a Midas touch with pop hooks.

GG00LLDD is releasing a new EP, *Teeth*, in December, and although it features the shimmering and airy single "Excelsior Springs," Butler calls *Teeth* grittier than GG00LLDD's past few releases. "It's a slightly new concept for us that we're trying out," she says. "It's just the four of us, and we write when the spirit moves us. We try not to write the same sort of thing twice."

"Excelsior" starts with the crack of a snare drum leading into a cascading guitar hook that recalls Beach House. Soon Butler chirps in a breathy soprano: "Like bourbon in my lemonade, you were all I want."

The grit Butler refers to shows up elsewhere on the slightly industrial, very '80s vibe permeating "Secrets," also off the upcoming EP. Butler writes all the lyrics but can't point to any specific influence or inspiration. "It's generally from my own experience. It's subconscious."

GG00LLDD plays 10 pm Thursday, Sept. 28, at Hi-Fi Music Hall Lounge; \$10 advance, \$12 door, 21-plus. — *Will Kennedy*

FIRST NATIONAL TAPHOUSE Open Mic—8pm; n/c

OLD NICK'S Irish Jam—6pm; n/c. Layden & The Lion—9pm; punk, folk punk, acoustic, \$5

SPFD GRIDIRON BTM Karaoke—8pm; n/c

WANDERING GOAT Songwriters Night (originals only)—7pm; n/c

TUESDAY 10/3

5TH ST CORNUCOPIA Jesse Meade w/Rachel Hoffman—9:30pm; n/c

COWFISH Trap-House Tuesday w/Wes Light—9pm; n/c

CUSH Poetry Open Mic—7:30pm; n/c

DEXTER LAKE CLUB Acoustic Night w/Brian Chevalier—6pm; n/c

THE EMBERS DJ Victor—8pm; current hits, standards, requests, n/c

LEVEL UP Karaoke w/Kade—9pm; n/c

LUCKEY'S Amusedays w/Chaz Logan Hyde!—10pm; comedy, open mic, n/c

MAC'S Roosters Blues Jam w/Skip Jones & Byron Case—7pm; blues jam, n/c

MOE'S Stone Cold Jazz w/Kenny Reed—6pm; n/c

MULLIGAN'S PUB Steve Ibach—8pm; acoustic, n/c

O BAR Peter Giri—5:30pm; rock-in' acoustic, n/c. Karaoke w/Jared—9pm; n/c

OLD NICK'S Weirdo's Experimental Open Mic w/Jeon—9pm; n/c

ROARING RAPIDS Jack Radliff Quintet—7:30pm; n/c

SAM BOND'S GARAGE Bluegrass Jam—9pm; n/c

THE SHEDD BeauSoleil avec Michael Doucet—7:30pm; \$29

WHIRLED PIES Acoustic Jams—7pm; n/c

WHITE HORSE SALOON Karaoke w/Slick Nick—9pm; n/c

WEDNESDAY 10/4

5TH ST CORNUCOPIA Karaoke w/Slick Nick—9pm; n/c

AXE & FIDDLE Aaron Lee Tasjan—8pm; \$12

BLACK FOREST Karaoke w/KJ Powers—9pm; n/c

THE COOLER Karaoke w/Caught in the Act—9pm; n/c

COWFISH Local DJ Review—9pm; n/c

HAPPY HOURS Mama Jan's Blues Jam w/Brian Chevalier—8pm; n/c

HI-FI LOUNGE Funk Night—10pm; funk jam, n/c

HI-FI MAIN HALL Lil Peep—9pm; hip-hop, \$20-\$25

ISLAND HUT Karaoke w/Jared—5pm; n/c

JERSEY'S Karaoke w/Sassy Patty—8pm; n/c

LUCKEY'S Wednesday Night Groove Sessions w/The Sunday Bump!—10pm; funk, jazz, open jam, \$3

MAC'S Gus Russell & Paul Biondi—6pm; jazz, variety, n/c

MOHAWK TAVERN Karaoke w/Caught in the Act—9pm; n/c

MULLIGAN'S Open Mic—8:30pm; variety, n/c

OLD NICK'S Screature, Stariana—9pm; post punk, darkwave, goth, \$5

SAM BOND'S GARAGE Pretty Drunk—9pm; trashgrass, \$3-\$5

SIDELINES SPORTS BAR Karaoke w/Mike—9pm; n/c

VANILLA JILL'S Open mic—8pm; poetry, music, n/c

WAYWARD LAMB Lipsync Battle—9:30pm; n/c

WEST END TAVERN BTM Karaoke—9pm; n/c

WHIRLED PIES Whirled Music Series ft. Cabbage & Patrick Feng—6pm; singer-songwriter, pop, folk, n/c. Grateful Wednesdays, films of Grateful Dead shows from the past—8pm; n/c

WOW HALL Gryffin, Autograf, ayokay—9pm; EDM, \$15-\$18

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