

# JJ Jones

## Singer – Performer – Moderator

Website: [jjjones.de](http://jjjones.de)

### Artist Resume

- 1983 – 1987** Architecture studies, Lawrence Institute of Technology, Michigan
- 1988** Certificate, Broadcasting Practice, Specs Howard School of Broadcast Arts, Southfield MI
- 1994** BA, Film and Video Studies, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor MI
- 1996 – 2013** Berlin
- Directed short commercial films, began performing in art context at Volksbühne am Rosa-Luxemburg-Platz. Co-founded band Fuzzy Love. Began touring and performing and composing. Wrote and directed plays, performed in plays.
- 2006 – 2013** Nashville, Tennessee
- Developed *Human Snow Globe* performance. Composed and performed many original songs in churches. Developed improvisational group performance ecclesiaudio.
- Since 2013** Munich (current residence)
- Developed and participated in many bands and musical and theatrical projects.

### Residencies

- 2013** Villa Waldberta International Artist Program (3 months)

### Selected projects

*UFO Hawaii and JJ Jones Jones.*

Vocals in duo with self-penned songs. (album “People” released May 2023)

*Sheer Cerebral Power.*

Vocals in progressive rock band with self-penned songs. (album “Sucker Punch’d” released February 2023)

*New Songs from an Old Bible.*

52 songs written and recorded in 2021 using only texts from the King James Version of the English Bible. Arrangements and production by Julian Cartwright.

*Vox on Vinyl*

Solo Performance using Music from Nils Frahm and text from David Bowie and Meister Eckhart. (Premiere March 2020)

*Same Old Song.*

Series of concerts (so far over 32 concerts with over 350 different artists) involving local musicians in various cities, all of whom play the same song in various live versions. Inaugural concert in Munich Feb 2013: Stairway To Heaven.

*Bigband Dachau.*

Lead Singer (2016-present)

*We Wish We Were Black / Son of a Groove.*

Soul/Funk/Disco band with covers and original music (2017-present)

*Edlrost.*

Concept cover band. Soul/disco musik integrated with jodeling and a loose storyline of an American Top 40 radio show on stage. (2016-present)

*JJ Jones and the Precious Stones.*

Rock party band, cover songs. (2016-2018)

*Tosca "Odeon".*

CD and tour. One of several vocalists in the ambient/lounge music of Tosca, formed by Austrian musicians Richard Dorfmeister and Rupert Huber.

*Es war ein Klang. (Once Upon a Sound).*

Group of musicians create improvised music as a basis for new fairy tales interpreted individually by the listeners. (No predetermined story line). Premiere in Munich Summer 2013.

*Pop Collage.*

Band based on instrumentalists creating an improvised sound carpet whereon Jones sings recognizable pop lyrics in new melodies (since 2012)

*ecclesiaudio.*

Collaboration with expanding number of musicians to create mostly improvised music motivated by spiritual topics (since 2010)

*The Human Snow Globe.*

Parodies of Christmas songs sung inside an inflatable globe (since 2006)

*Schlagerman: A Medley of German Pop Songs*

Performance accompanied by accordion player, a 30-minute ironic exploration of some of Germany's most beloved songs. (2012)

*Picking a Winner 2012.*

Song parodies relevant to the 2012 US presidential election

*Morning Prayer Improv.*

Bible-based songs recorded almost daily for one year (2011)