



The **Funky Butt Brass Band** was formed in 2007 by six talented musicians who respect and revere the New Orleans brass band tradition. The FBBB takes traditional New Orleans brass tunes and adds their own special St. Louis magic. But at any given gig, chances are you'll also hear a little Motown, Chicago blues, Southern rock and St. Louis R&B in the mix.

Their debut CD, **Cut The Body Loose**, was released in the summer of 2009. Their second CD, **You Can Trust The Funky Butt Brass Band**, entered the world in 2011. Later that year, they also recorded a festive holiday EP entitled **Shiny Christmas Balls**. In late 2014, **Sugar Sugar Whomp Whomp** came along, followed by another holiday record, **A Funky Butt Family Christmas**. The band just released its latest album, **Onward**, a collection of seven new original tunes and five inventive covers, including "Such A Night," a tribute to the late Dr. John.



The FBBB has played the **King Biscuit Blues Fest** (Helena, AR), **Beale Street Music Festival** (Memphis, TN), **Gumbo Ya Ya** (Rock Island, IL), **Roots N Blues N BBQ** (Columbia, MO) and **Blissfest** (Harbor Springs, MI), and shared the stage with such legends as **Dr. John**, **Rebirth Brass Band**, **Bonerama**, **Big Sam's Funky Nation**, **Hot 8 Brass Band**, **New Orleans Suspects** and the **Royal Southern Brotherhood**.

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"Although a sousaphone and marching snare drum are part of the FBBB experience, the local sextet is well-versed in all things funk. Its razor-sharp horn section blasts out the sort of punchy stabs that have made thousands of white people dance to Tower of Power, while its unhinged rhythm section recalls the greasy funk that drips from fingers and collects in the gutters of New Orleans. But stellar musicianship and dedication to their craft aren't the band's only strengths – more important, the act showcases the playful side missing from many uptight jazz enthusiasts" ~ **Riverfront Times**

"For FBBB, tribute takes the form of a working brass band, and they are nothing if not reverential. These cats can play, and they offer nothing but praise for the traditional brass band. The horns are the key, of course, and they perform admirably." ~ **Offbeat**, New Orleans music magazine

"FBBB displays impeccable musicianship and technique...with airtight grooves that would feel right at home on a James Brown A-side." ~ **The Towerlight Online**

"They transplant the New Orleans brass band tradition to St. Louis, but it's far from slavish devotion. It's safe to say the Funky Butt Brass Band uses the New Orleans sound as a base and then builds off it." ~ **Homespun**

ADAM HUCKE: trumpet, vocals ♣ **AARON CHANDLER**: trombone, vocals ♣ **TIM HALPIN**: guitar, vocals
BRYAN FRITZ: sax, vocals ♣ **CODY HENRY**: sousaphone ♣ **RON SIKES**: drums