

# VENT SILENCE



## Vent Silence

Kristian Perry – guitars | Atif Khan – drums | David Stamm – bass, vocals

Alt metal trio Vent Silence has stunned and amazed audiences in Washington DC and Baltimore for the last two years with a unique sound that is both thoughtful and thunderous, beautiful and vicious. Philosopher-poet guitarist Kristian Perry and classically trained singer/bassist David Stamm have been writing songs since their school days. Wary of heavy metal cliches and mock-sentimental balladry, they searched for a way to blend melodic beauty and dense harmony with the raw power of their musical heroes. The search came to an end when they joined forces with drummer Atif Khan in early 2004. An accomplished visual artist with a command of rhythmic styles from jazz to hardcore, Atif shared their dream of creating beautiful yet savage music. Combining Kristian's poetic vision and six-string assaults, David's mastery of theory and passion for melody, and Atif's fearless avant garde creativity, Vent Silence is now making the music they'd always hoped to make -- and people are starting to notice. The trio has captivated audiences in such DC-area venues as the Velvet Lounge, DC Nine, The Royal Baltimore, and the mainstage of the DC Capital Pride Festival, and they are ready to surge to the next level. Their music is alternately furious, hypnotic, and lyrical. This is music that you do not forget, and do not shrug off.

## Music:

### Sun Rises

"Some mistakes you can't shake, but you can bear them with grace."

[listen](#) - (\*.mp3)

### Someday

"The clever games I play and play and waste away."

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### Moth vs. Flame

"Engorged with a gift, will my fingers paint possibility with borrowed magic, or shower slag and rolling mercury?"

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## Video Clips:

### Moth vs. Flame:

Live at the Velvet Lounge, DC  
November 2004. (verse)

[watch](#) - (\*.mpg, 11mb – download before playing)

### Moth vs. Flame:

Live at the Velvet Lounge, DC  
November 2004. (chorus)

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## Sun Rises

The sun rises, but not the way

You thought it would.

The sun rises on alien landscapes and

Terrifying opportunities

Will your name stretch enough to embrace

What's happening?

Will your face still fit

Will your birth still own you

Once you've grown?

Try to forget who you were yesterday

The sun rises upon

Another chance to dare

Another chance to grow

Another chance to be a hero

The sun rises, but not on the world

You thought you knew

On bent bridges forgotten,

On death and hope waiting in the dark

Soon you'll see just how far you can leap

From the lion's mouth

Or how it feels to softly slide to sleep

Try to forget who you were yesterday

The sun rises upon

Another chance to dare

Another chance to grow

Another chance to be a hero

## Someday

It's a miracle I don't pop

With these thoughts

careening

What chance have I got?

But I know, if there's one thing I know

This is the place I'm supposed to be

I'm sleeping with an angel but living in hell

I will sing someday

I will live someday

It's a miracle I don't burst

Of all these distractions

Possibly the worst

Are the games, the clever games

I play and play and waste away

Thank you ever so much for listening

So long, be well, good night

## Moth vs. Flame

It's like I've been called

By my true secret name,

A name that I've never heard before.

Engorged with a gift

Will my fingers paint possibility

with borrowed magic,

Or shower slag and rolling mercury?

I won't orbit flame

I won't obey fear and law

The temple will open, but I

Will not respect the mysteries

I'll touch the flame

Let it burn, let all the

cowards hide

I'll cross the line to

become a lonely light

I will show the way

*Moth vs. Flame!*

Now I know my true name

*Moth vs. Flame!*

Now I know my true face

*Moth vs. Flame!*

Now I know my true place

*Moth vs. Flame!*

I cannot be afraid anymore

## **Performance:**

Vent Silence is an unsigned, self-managed rock band that writes, records, and performs its own original music. Typical set length is 45-60 minutes.

Fees and stage requirements differ depending on the show and the location of the venue. Please contact Kristian Perry to discuss fees, production and stage requirements at [band@ventsilence.com](mailto:band@ventsilence.com).