## (BAND Bio for 2025)

JEFFREY LEWIS & THE VOLTAGE (Blang Records UK/Don Giovanni Records USA)

Indie 4-piece band from NYC, lyrical genius urban garage rock/folk with multi-media illustrated/cartoon songs mixed in, worldwide fanbase (300 draw in NYC, 600 draw in London, 200 draw in LA, Paris, Seattle, Vancouver, Portland). **RIYL:** Daniel Johnston, Yo La Tengo, Velvets/Lou, Modern Lovers, Kimya Dawson.

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The mind-spinning indie-rock/folk/art of Jeffrey Lewis & The Voltage developed when songwriter and comic book artist Jeffrey Lewis began recording homemade cassettes in New York City in 1998; his critically acclaimed, unusual and word-dense songs lead to Jeffrey signing to Rough Trade Records in 2001 (record label of The Smiths, The Strokes, Belle & Sebastian, etc.), and the project evolved into a live touring cult sensation around the world. Creating a brilliant style of scuzzy urban indie-rock-folk, like a 21st Century mash-up of Sonic Youth, Pete Seeger and R. Crumb, Jeffrey's band has played countless gigs all over the world, including playing as the opening act for icons like the Mountain Goats, Daniel Johnston, Stephen Malkmus & The Jicks, Dinosaur Jr, The Fall, Dr. Dog, Pulp, Roky Erickson, The Vaselines, and more.

His most recent official album is <u>"The EVEN MORE Freewheelin' Jeffrey Lewis,"</u> recorded by Roger (Yo La Tengo, Sleater-Kinney) Moutenot, and released on Don Giovanni Records (USA) and Blang Records (UK/Eu) in March 2025 (garnering <u>rave reviews</u>). Jeffrey continues to wring folksy spiel and garage bohemianism from his ramshackle guitar, whether with his full band or solo, while sometimes incorporating his often subversive visual artwork and cartoons into live appearances. His comic book series *Fuff* ended with issue 12, and his new comic book series *Statics* is awaiting the 2025 publication of issue 3. The feature length film <u>"Roll Bus Roll: A</u> Jeffrey Lewis Documentary" by filmmaker Ilya Popenko has begun being shown at various festivals and screenings around the world since late 2024. Some of Jeffrey's audio/visual projects have been hosted by the History Channel website, such as "The Story of Sitting Bull," a Jeffrey Lewis illustrated song which won a Webby Award in 2011 for "Best Writing on the Internet." Jeffrey's "The Story of Keith Haring" was commissioned by the Museum of Modern Art in 2021.

As of 2025 the 4-piece line-up of Jeffrey Lewis & The Voltage includes Mallory Feuer on violin and keyboard, Valerie Marchesi on bass and Brent (Moldy Peaches) Cole on drums.

www.TheJeffreyLewisSite.com

36 million Spotify streams <u>Jeffrey Lewis Profile on Spotify</u>

103,300 Spotify listeners monthly (in April 2025)

60,000 Spotify followers

29,000 BandsInTown fans

32,000 FB followers www.facebook.com/JeffreyLewisBand

25,000 IG followers @Jeffreylewisband

5,700 BC followers jeffreylewis.bandcamp.com/

Quotes:

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"Hands down my favorite contemporary songwriter" - Ben Gibbard (Death Cab For Cutie)

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"Ramshackle and beautiful noise... Lou Reed's natural successor as punk poet of the New York streets" - Louder Than War "Bizarre but brilliant" - Uncut

"Dazzling" - Mojo

"Jeffrey is the only artist I've sent fan mail to." - Jens Lekman

"Really great and impressive and inspiring and exciting... There's not a lot of people that can tell a story and use language like that in music." - Will Oldham

MUSIC VIDEO for "Sometimes Life Hits You" (from "The EVEN MORE Freewheelin' Jeffrey Lewis" album) is <u>here.</u> MUSIC VIDEO for "Just Fun" (from "The EVEN MORE Freewheelin' Jeffrey Lewis" album) is <u>here.</u> MUSIC VIDEO for "LPs" (from the "Bad Wiring" album) is <u>here.</u>