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## Biography

Based in Richmond, Virginia, **SoulerCoaster** is a nine-piece band specializing in the Funk, R&B and Disco of the 70's. With live horns, four vocalists, guitars, keyboards, bass, drums, and percussion, this band can provide a groove that's as slick as polyester, and as funky as anyone foolish enough to wear that stuff. From weddings and corporate events to private parties and public festivals, **SoulerCoaster** plays them all!

**SoulerCoaster's** personnel brings a great deal of experience to the mix. Our newest addition, vocalist **Monica Jackson**, has been wowing audiences for over 15 years with breathtaking originals and jaw-dropping renditions of hits by such divas as Aretha Franklin and Patti LaBelle. Keyboardist **Eric Lawson** toured with national recording artists Fighting Gravity for more than a decade. Over the same period, **Jeff Doyle** (guitar) was bandleader for The Press, and East Coast favorite. The core that founded the group – **Chris Buekley** (vocals/percussion), **Rich Lehman** (drums/vocals), and **Mike LaBarre** (bass/vocals) – have played together in various combinations of rock and acoustic acts for over 15 years. Last but certainly not least, the "Pillars of Soul" horn section – **Andy Pilger** (trumpet), **Tommy Daughtrey** (saxophone), and **Dave Lucado** (trombone) – have come from lengthy jazz, blues, and funk backgrounds.

**SoulerCoaster** was formed with the idea that the music should be fun for both the audience and the band. This translates into grooves that range from high energy to smooth and laid-back, while remaining danceable throughout. You'll find no stripped-down arrangements here – rather than settle for the basic elements of a song, **SoulerCoaster** has the right instrumentation to create that nostalgic, full and exciting sound for your next event. Contact us directly or call your favorite booking agent to book us for your next event.