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debut CD, "**No Part of Nothin'**", has received airplay within the United States and throughout the world through the support of community and public radio programming. Drawing from traditional influences like Bill Monroe, Flatt & Scruggs



Founded in 2001, Little Rock bluegrass band **Runaway Planet** evolved out of a long-time friendship between members and a mutual love for traditional string-band music. Their music is a mix of hard-driving traditional bluegrass, three-part harmonies, complex arrangements and original songs. The and the Stanley Brothers, they are also inspired by more progressive bluegrass bands like The Country Gentlemen, The Seldom Scene and New Grass Revival. Hot off the presses, their latest release, "**Tarnation**", promises to capture an even wider audience from traditional bluegrass lovers to those fans new to the genre.

Accolades

Awards and accolades are also included in **Runaway Planet's** repertoire. In its first year, the group entered and won the 2002 Arkansas Times Musicians Showcase and was named runner-up in the Arkansas Acoustic Festival. In 2003 they became members of the Arkansas Arts on Tour, a program of the Arkansas Arts Council and continue to be on their roster of notable artists. **Runaway Planet** has played varied and eclectic festivals including the Arkansas Music Festival, Mulberry Mountain Harvest Fest, four appearances at Arkansas' largest festival, "Riverfest", and the South by Southwest Music Conference in Austin, Texas. In January 2005 the band was honored to perform during the official opening of the Clinton Presidential Center and Library held in Little Rock, Arkansas.

T.V/ Radio Play

The members of **Runaway Planet** harbor a wealth of talent, experience and credits. The group is especially proud of their work with the Arkansas Educational Television Network (AETN) in helping produce a documentary of the First Annual Arkansas Acoustic Festival. They have shared the stage with such bluegrass greats as Ricky Skaggs, Sam Bush, and The Del McCoury Band. The members and music of **Runaway Planet** has been featured on both radio and television including "Good Morning Arkansas", "Trading Spaces" and "Spotlight On", an hour-long documentary featuring well-known songwriters and musicians. They have performed live on National Public Radio for Michael Feldman's "Whad'Ya Know?" as well as having their music featured on NPR's "Car Talk" with bluegrass fans Click and Clack. Their performance on Michael Jonathan's "WoodSong's Old-Time Radio Hour" was broadcast to millions around the world. In addition, **Runaway Planet** was the featured musical act on the first production of the old time radio show "The Arkansas Flyer" sponsored in part by the Department of Arkansas Heritage.

Live Shows

Runaway Planet is known for their uncompromising musicianship, gripping vocal harmonies and rousing live shows. Its members are well-versed in many genres yet the love of traditional American string-band music gives these guys the energy that has earned them a reputation for delivering a hard-driving, highly danceable show. **Runaway Planet** has established an ever-growing following of fans that are hooked on their foot-stompin' originals and distinctive flavor of traditional favorites.

The highly anticipated sophomore release, "**Tarnation**", has been receiving great reviews and hints at even bigger and better things to come from this band. What's next? Only time will tell.

"Runaway Planet, the virtuoso bluegrass quartet that defies the hillbilly image that the genre all too often begets."

