

## Alumni Spotlight: Class of 2006 - Max and Sam Woldenberg, aka *The June Junes*



While attending San Antonio Academy—now half a decade ago—twins Max and Sam Woldenberg left a lasting impression on everyone they met, including SAA faculty member Alan Gielen who recalls, “Sam starting taking guitar lessons from me when he was in the fifth grade and by sixth grade, he began to create his own songs. Max also joined the guitar club so he could learn how to play. I knew both wanted to be performers.”

After graduating from SAA in 2006, Max and Sam relocated to Los Angeles in pursuit of ‘the different music opportunities’ L.A. had to offer. It wasn’t long until the teenage brothers found their voice and began writing songs and producing music they label “alternative pop rock.”



Fast forward to the present where today, the charismatic duo is now striving to leave an imprint in the music industry as *The June Junes*. The band’s debut release last spring, “She’s the Latest One,” has already scored promotional deals with companies including Guess, Kohl’s, Champs Sports and Foot Locker – all showcasing the video in its stores. In addition to their video exposure, The June Junes had two of their songs featured in an indie film, *When Harry Tries to Marry*, and the two were also highlighted in the August 2011 issue of *Billboard* magazine.

The pair’s hard work and focus has helped them to achieve the success the band enjoys today. But they also attribute their accomplishments, in part, to the foundation The Academy gave them. “SAA has impacted my life in many ways...the most substantial influence is its emphasis on social values and character,” says Max, adding “...by teaching us to treat others with respect and to maintain our dignity, I have grown to become a better person and a better man.” Sam relates that “SAA instilled a desire for me to strive for excellence...molding me into the person I am today.”

It’s evident that no matter where these musical endeavors may take them, it’s certain that Max and Sam will leave a little imprint of SAA behind wherever they go.

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