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- Chris 'Crass-Bang' Canning is a multi instrumentalist/ songwriter from *Australia*, now based in *Cologne, Germany*.
- His main instruments are Saxophone, Harmonica and Keys.
- It all started playing sax in his school band. A few years on, driving tractors in *Queensland*, he taught himself harmonica.
- Chris, found himself as a roadie for a *North Queensland* rock band but compelled to play the blues, he moved to *Melbourne*, and cut his teeth at every blues jam he could find.
- He was a founding member of '**The Fabulous Blue Dog**'. They did long residencies in some famous pubs, and began recording.
- This led to the songwriting group '**Crywolf**' and a CD release. By this time he was writing material and playing several instruments.
- With a young family he moved to *Arnhemland, Northern Territory*. Ten years playing and teaching music all over the *NT* would continue to give him writing material for years to come.

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- A collaboration in *Alice Springs* led to a CD release '**Skin System**' by **Frozen Baltic**. This lineup toured *Scotland*.
- In *Torquay, Victoria* in another original group called '**Farquarharson**' we released an album in 2012
- Then the blues duo '**Dog Gone South**' toured all over *Eastern Australia* with another album in 2015 '**Bring Your Foot and Stomp It**'
- Recently, Chris formalised his music education with a **Degree in Jazz Sax** at *Box Hill Institute*, loving composition and filmscoring.
- 2017 he joined a songwriting team for the band '**Arna Rox and the TruckStops**'. An album '**You Should Know**' was recorded.
- *Europe* was toured thee times. Playing festivals and concerts in *Germany, France, Belgium, Austria, England and the Netherlands*
- 2021 Chris reconnected with *Melbourne* friends and got to work on his solo Debut EP. "**I Don't Like Waiting**" was recorded at *Battle Point in Gippsland*.
- In 2023 Chris recorded, mixed and mastered his first solo album. "**LoveOcaine**"
- All songs written by Christopher Rodney Canning
- In 2024 Chris moved to *Cologne, Germany*.

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