

ROBIN & THE RUBES

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...IS A HARD DRIVING QUARTET THAT MIXES TRADITION WITH AN EMPHASIS ON IMPROVISATION TO CREATE A COOL BLEND OF OLD SCHOOL BLUES WITH A MODERN EDGE.

ROBIN MAYERAT / LEAD VOCALS & KEYBOARDS

DOUG MORGANO / GUITAR

DAN SHAYS / BASS

JERRY BASS / DRUMMER & VOCALS

THIS BAND DRAWS ON TRADITIONAL ROOTS BLUES MUSIC FROM LEGENDARY BLUES PERFORMERS LIKE BB KING, JOHNNIE JOHNSON AND MUDDY WATERS, AS WELL AS THE INFLUENCES OF CONTEMPORARY ARTISTS LIKE BONNIE RAITT, SUSAN TEDESCHI, DEBBIE DAVIES AND ERIC CLAPTON.

BASSIST DAN SHAYS AND DRUMMER JERRY BASS PROVIDE SOLID RHYTHMS THAT CREATE A FIRM BACKDROP FOR THE FERVENT VOCALS OF ROBIN MAYERAT AND THE AWARD WINNING GUITAR PLAYING OF DOUG MORGANO.

SETTING ROBIN AND THE RUBES APART IS TALENTED SINGER ROBIN MAYERAT WHO BLENDS AN EVOCATIVE MIX OF STRENGTH AND SENSUALITY IN HER VOCALS WHICH EARNED HER AN AWARD IN 1998 FOR BEST FEMALE VOCALIST (BLUES) AT THE BUFFALO MUSIC AWARDS. SHE HAS ALSO BEEN NOMINATED FOR THAT SAME AWARD EVERY YEAR SINCE WINNING.

BUFFALO'S HALL OF FAME GUITARIST DOUG MORGANO, IS ONE OF WESTERN NEW YORK'S MOST RECORDED MUSICIANS. FROM HOUSE GUITARIST FOR THE NEW ORLEANS "STUDIO IN THE COUNTRY" TO PART OWNER OF BUFFALO'S "SESSIONS STUDIOS". DOUG HAS RECORDED WITH SOME OF WNY'S MOST POPULAR ENTERTAINERS AS WELL AS LEGENDARY BLUESMAN CLARENCE "GATEMOUTH" BROWN. HE TOURED THE US, EUROPE AND CANADA WHILE WORKING WITH MARTHA REEVES AND THE VANDELLAS AS THEIR MUSICAL DIRECTOR. DOUG WAS INDUCTED INTO THE BUFFALO MUSIC HALL OF FAME IN 1996.

BASSIST DAN SHAYS HAS WORKED AND RECORDED WITH A VARIETY OF LOCAL MUSICIANS. IN ADDITION TO WORKING WITH ROBIN ON PREVIOUS BLUES PROJECTS, HE WAS ALSO A MEMBER OF SEVERAL ORIGINAL BUFFALO ROCK BANDS INCLUDING SHAKING HANDS AND EXIT 55.

WELL-TRAVELED DRUMMER JERRY BASS HAS TAKEN THE LONG HARD ROAD PERFECTING HIS CRAFT. FROM THE NASHVILLE COUNTRY CIRCUIT WITH WILLIE NELSON, WAYLON JENNINGS AND LORETTA LYNN TO BUFFALO'S BLUES CIRCUIT APPEARING AT VENERABLE VENUES LIKE THE BELLE STAR WITH MEMBERS OF THE BYRDS AND EDDIE SHAW.

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THE BAND WAS ORIGINALLY FOUNDED IN 1994 BY ROBIN AND HAS BEEN A MAINSTAY ON THE WESTERN NEW YORK BLUES SCENE. ROBIN AND THE RUBES HAVE OPENED FOR SEVERAL ACCLAIMED BLUES ACTS SUCH AS MATT "GUITAR" MURPHY, JOHNNY CLYDE COPELAND, JAMES THACKERY, GARY PRIMACH AND TINSLEY ELLIS. THEY HAVE PERFORMED AT THE BUFFALO BLUES, WESTERN NEW YORK MUSIC, BUFFALO BLUES SOCIETY AND THE FREDONIA RED WHITE AND BLUES FESTIVALS. ROBIN AND THE RUBES WAS THE FEATURED BAND IN THE SPRING 2000 ISSUE OF BLUES BEAT MAGAZINE.

"...A SINGER WHO INTERPRETS THE BLUES WITH A PERSONABLE AND VIVACIOUS SENSUALITY, ACCOMPANIED BY THE KIND OF MUSICIANS WHO CAN DAZZLE AND ENERGIZE A CROWD, WITHOUT GETTING IN THE WAY OF THE MUSIC'S NATURALNESS AND SIMPLICITY." (BLUES BEAT MAGAZINE, SPRING 2000)



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