

Melvyn “Deacon” Jones



Who hasn't Deacon Jones played with?

IT's hard to find someone that hasn't played with Deacon Jones. From Baby Huey, Curtis Mayfield and Freddie King to John Lee Hooker and Walter Trout and Gregg Allman. Deacon Jones has seen them all and jammed with them. The undisputed King of the Hammond B-3 Organ, you can hear Deacon play on hundreds of Albums.

Deacon possesses a flair and fire in performance that completely masks his secret, special gift. Beyond the ebullient, flamboyant stage persona is one of the sweetest, wittiest, and most elegant writer/composer imaginable. Raised in Richmond, Indiana Deacon started his music career playing trumpet. It wasn't long before Deacon was behind the organ and he has never looked

In 1978 Deacon was asked to sit in for one set with John Lee after which John turned to Deacon and said "Can you travel". And travel Deacon has. For 17 years Deacon was Hook's (John Lee Hooker) main man. Band leader and MC, Deacon Jones entertains.

Tours of Europe, North and South America and Japan in front of record crowds.

Recently Deacon has reunited the "Coast to Coast Blues Band" with other former members of John Lee Hooker's former Band. Joining Deacon is guitarist Rich Kirch, Bassist Ron Perry and Bryant Mills. To perform many John Lee Hooker songs the band is accompanied by the incredible voice of Kathi McDonald, and Archie Lee Hooker.

Appearing on Deacon's Solo Albums are artists such as Gregg Allman, John Lee Hooker, Buddy Miles, Eddie Money, Lester Chambers Guitar Mac, Guitar Gypsy and many others

Discography Highlights

- "The Baby Huey Story - The Living Legend" - Curtom (CRS-8007)**
- "Freddie King (1934-1976): The Texas Cannonball" - Shelter (8018)**
- "Rockin' The Blues, Live" - Freddie King - Crosscut Records (CCR-1005)**
- "Trouble on the Run" - The Kingsnakes - Blue Wave (CD 114)**
- "Jealous" - John Lee Hooker - Pausa (PAU-7197)**
- "Mister Lucky" - John Lee Hooker (Back Sstabber with Albert Collins)**
- "Blues Mechanic" - Finis Tasby - Ace Records (CH-122)**
- "Let's Talk about the Blues" - Deacon Jones - Blue Rock'it (BR-107)**
- "Boom Boom" - John Lee Hooker - Point Blank**
- "Live in Paris" - Deacon Jones**
- "Makin Blues History, Vol 1 and 2" - Deacon Jones**
- "Jonesen for Money" - Deacon Jones - (KCD 3845)**
- "Let's Talk About the Blues" - Deacon Jones**
- "The Day The Blues Stood Still - Deacon Jones**