

New Single of the QUARRYMEN - The band that started the Beatles and U.S.-Tour in October

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50 years after the first and only single-release of the Quarrymen (feat. aswell John Lennon, George Harrison and Paul McCartney) a new single has been released via internet. The song was recorded in Liverpool and GaryLand in 2008 with a little help of some friends...Reason is the recent Quarrymen U.S.-Tour that have started on the 9th October in New York City). All dates see below!

Next year a film will follow that is called "The Quarrymen - The Band that started the Beatles" (filmed in Germany / baltic coast). The song "Never stop Rockin´ Rollin´ " can be donwloaded on www.TheQuarrymen.de (only for the time of the Quarrymen U.S.-Tour in October).

John Lennon´s Original Quarrymen - the band who were on stage with John Lennon on Saturday July 6th, 1957 (the day John met Paul McCartney) - got back together in 1997 to celebrate the most momentous meeting in pop music history. They enjoyed themselves so much at that reunion and interest from fans was so great that they decided to re-form the group forty years on!

The current Quarrymen lineup includes three of those five original musicians, - Len Garry, former tea-chest bass player, now playing guitar and replacing Lennon as lead singer, - Rod Davis, from Quarry Bank School, at first the banjo player but now on guitar and Colin Hanton on drums, who played with John, Paul, George and John Duff Lowe on the famous Percy Phillips recording session which produced "In Spite of All the Danger" and "That'll Be the Day" which was featured on the Beatles' "Anthology, Volume 1" CD set.

Anyone knowing their Beatles' history is aware that The Quarrymen eventually evolved into the Beatles. It is precisely their stories of the group's origins and of course the Skiffle and early Rock music that the Quarrymen perform, that draw to their shows not only Beatles' fans, but all those who enjoy the history of the music and of the times.

The other members of the original group were John's lifelong friend, washboard player Pete Shotton, who retired in Dec 2000 for health reasons, and guitarist Eric Griffiths who sadly died in January 2005, but not before thoroughly enjoying several tours with the newly reborn "Pre-Fab Five" - as the New York Post referred to them in 1998 after their gig at the legendary "Bottom Line" in Greenwich Village.

The Quarrymen play the music which influenced the birth of the Beatles, the Skiffle and Rock 'n' Roll of the mid fifties – “Rock Island Line”, “Mean Woman Blues”, “Midnight Special”, “Twenty Flight Rock”, “Whole Lotta Shakin’”, “Blue Suede Shoes”, “Lost John”, and many more, played in the style of the many hundreds of similar groups who were laying the foundations of British Rock Music. Of course the difference with the Quarrymen was that it was fronted by one very special man, John Lennon, who gathered together his best mates way back then to embark on the most famous journey in music history.

As well as their music, the Quarrymen share their Liverpool sense of humour in the stories and anecdotes with which they pepper their performance, giving Beatles fans a unique insight into the origins of their favourite group and the city in which they grew up.

Since 1997 the Quarrymen have played all over Europe, in Canada, Japan, Cuba, and Russia, and have visited the USA several times, performing in New York, Chicago, Boston, Las Vegas and across the country. They have appeared on stage with Pete Seeger, Pete Best and Tony Sheridan and have made countless TV and radio appearances. In July 2007 they were featured on the BBC TV “Newsnight” programme and appeared at the 50th anniversary of the “Day John Met Paul” in Liverpool.

The only authorised Beatle biographer, Hunter Davies, also wrote the story of the Quarrymen which was published in 2001.

Tour-Dates

9th Thur: BB Kings, NYC
10th Fri: The Flickinger Center, Kimball Union Academy, Meriden, NH
12th Sun: The Cavern Club at the Hard Rock Café, Boston
14th Tue: The Arts Center of the Capital Region, Troy, NY 12180
15th Wed: Sellersville Theatre, near Philadelphia – co-bill with Pete Best
17th Fri: Avalon Theatre, Easton, MD
18th Sat: Writers’ Boot Camp Auditorium, Santa Monica, California
19th Sun: SoHo, Santa Barbara, CA
21st Tues: Anthology, San Diego, CA

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