

THE Colbys

featuring Bev Rohlehr

The Colbys are a New Orleans style piano driven R&B band, steeped in swing, gospel and blues.

Led by Grammy, Emmy & Ace Award winner John Colby (Music Director ESPN ESPYs, NASCAR Awards) and Bev Rohlehr (Persuasions, National Jazz Ensemble, Mel Lewis Orchestra), The Colbys are a high-energy, no two nights ever the same musical experience.



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Bev Rohlehr

Lead singer



Bev has been called a combination of Aretha Franklin, Ruth Brown and Ella Fitzgerald. She has recorded and performed throughout the Northeast in venues including the Iron Horse, The Village Vanguard and the Newport Jazz Festival. She has also been the featured vocalist for prestigious Big Bands; the National Jazz Ensemble and the Mel Lewis Jazz Orchestra.

Her album credits include: "Symphony in Black," a Smithsonian release; and "No Frills" by the Persuasions. (Rohlehr is the only woman ever to work with them).

John Colby

Keyboards and Vocals



His playing has been described as part Ray Charles, part Professor Longhair. A Grammy, Ace and Emmy award winning composer and producer, John received a Grammy for Ken Burns' "Civil War" soundtrack and an Ace was for ESPN's "Outside the Lines". A composer of hundreds of TV sports themes including ESPN's Emmy winning Sportscenter, he was responsible for shaping the sound of the world's largest cable network.

He has been Music Director for the ESPY Awards since its inception, The Player's Choice, NASCAR, Indy 500 and College Basketball award shows on ESPN.

Colby was Music Director/ Keyboardist for the late Clarence Clemons. He produced Clarence's "Live from Asbury Park" CD which was released in the fall of 2004.

He has performed with, among others: Ray Charles, Bill Murray, Tony Bennett, Willie Nelson, Delbert McClinton, Big Bad Voodoo Daddy, Duane Eddy and Grand Master Flash.



Music Samples

Live

Jambalaya 🎧
Choochoo 🎧
Soul Man 🎧
Some Kinda Wonderful 🎧
Play That Funky Music 🎧

Studio

Keep Laughing 🎧
She Just Wants To Dance 🎧
Lighten Up 🎧
Don't Speak 🎧
Deal With It 🎧

Booking

The Colbys Band

860-675-6313
www.thecolbysband.com

Song/Artist List (partial)

Songs covered

4 Winds Blow
634-5789
A Kiss To Build A Dream On
Ain't Never Loved A Man
Ain't That Peculiar
All Blues
As Time Goes By
At Last
Baby I Love You
Barefootin'
Big Chief
Black Mt Blues
Blue Light Boogie
Blue Moon
Boogaloo Down Bway
Brickhouse
Cakewalk
Can't Get Next To You
Cant Turn You Loose
Carol
Casey Jones
Centerpiece
Chain Of Fools
Chicken Shack
Choo Choo Cha Boogie
Cissy Strut
Clean Up woman
Cold Sweat
Come Back Baby
Come Rain or Come Shine
Come Together
Crazy Love
Cripple Creek
Cry Baby

Cryin Time
Devil With The Blue Dress
Dixie Chicken
Do Right Woman
Don't Change Horses
Don't Get Around Much
Anymore
Dr J
Empty Bed Blues
Every Time I Roll the Dice
Fishin' Blues
Funky Broadway
Georgia
Gimme Some Lovin'
Going To The Chapel
Gone At Last
Gonna Miss You Like The
Devil
Got You On My Mind
Green Onions
Groove Me
Hand It Over
Hard Times
Hard To Handle
Have I Told You Lately
Haven't Done Nothin
He May Be Your Man
Heard It Through The
Grapevine
Hello Stranger
Hip Hugger
Hitch Hike
Holiday
I Can See Clearly

Leave Your Hat On
Let's Go Get Stoned
Lets Stay Together
Little Wing
Love Makes A Woman
Love Potion #9
Love Train
Lover Man
Many Rivers To Cross
Mardi Gras Day
Mardi Gras in NO
Meat out My Rice
Mess Around
Mocking Bird
Monkey Time
Mood Indigo
Mother Earth
Mother-In-Law
Mustang Sally
Nadine
Natural Woman
Never Loved A Man
Ninety-nine and a Half
Oop po pa Do
Play That Funky Music
Proud Mary
Rain or Shine
Read Me My Rights
Ready Willin Able
Red Wagon/ Red Top
Rock House
Rt 66
Saints Go Marchin In
Say It's Alright

Artists covered

Aaron Neville
Al Green
Aretha Franklin
Arthur Conley
AWB
Barbara Acklin
Barbara George
BB King
Ben E. King
Bessie Smith
Betty Wright
Billie Holiday
Black Crowes
Bonnie Raitt
Booker T & MGs
Charles Brown
Chuck Berry
Coasters
Commodores
Contours
Delbert McClinton
Dixie Cups
Dr. John
Drifters
Duke Ellington
Eddy Floyd
Ella Fitzgerald
Ernie K. Doe
Etta James
Fats Domino
Garnet Mimms
Grand Funk
Grateful Dead
Hank Williams