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True Blues Brother: The Legacy Of Matt 'Guitar'

Murphy

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After nearly forty years of musical and personal camaraderie, drummer and producer Bob Christina began studio work with Matt "Guitar" Murphy on what would become Murphy's final project. After he passed in June of 2018, the fate of the unfinished project was placed in Christina's hands. He began outreach to musicians who were friends of Murphy, played with him, or were otherwise influenced by him. The response was overwhelming.

Featured artists include Doyle Bramhall II, Fran Christina & The Original Roomful of Blues, Steve Cropper, Ronnie Earl, Sax Gordon, Jaimoe, Bill Kirchen, Chuck Leavell, Bob Margolin, James Montgomery, Tracy Nelson, Johnny Nicholas, Christine Ohlman, Lee Oskar, Jerry Portnoy, Duke Robillard, Kenny "Blues Boss" Wayne, Toni Lynn Washington and more.

Murphy was born in Sunflower, MS on December 29, 1929 and raised in Memphis, TN. He moved to Chicago, IL in 1948. Widely known for his appearance in The Blues Brothers movie and performing with The Blues Brothers band, Murphy's blues career was launched by the early 1950s and encompasses work with Howlin' Wolf, Little Junior Parker, Memphis Slim, and countless other titans of blues history. He was inducted into the Blues Hall of Fame in 2012. Murphy died on June 15, 2018 at age 88.

Westerly, RI native son Bob Christina was first introduced to the blues at a young age by watching his older brother, Fran Christina, on drums practicing with his friends in their basement. The year was 1967 and those friends were none other than Al Copley on piano, Duke Robillard on guitar and Larry Peduzzi on bass; the original Roomful of Blues band. By the time he was 15 and after a few months of guitar lessons, Bob got some of his brother's hand-me-down drums and made the switch to drumming. During his forty years as a performing artist, Christina has also developed Bobby Christina's Caravan, a well-regarded entertainment brand of shows and events.

Band member

Matt 'Guitar' Murphy Guitar

Guest artist

Bob Margolin
Christine Ohlman
Chuck Leavell
Doyle Bramhall II
Duke Robillard
Fran Christina & The Original
Roomful of Blues

Jaimoe, Bill Kirchen
James Montgomery
Jerry Portnoy
Johnny Nicholas
Kenny „Blues Boss“ Wayne
Lee Oskar
Ronnie Earl
Sax Gordon
Steve Cropper
Toni Lynn Washington
Tracy Nelson

Tracklist

CD 1

1.	Matt's Boogie M: Matt Murphy	02:25
2.	You Never Can Tell M: Chuck Berry	03:06
3.	I Feel Alright Again M: Deadric Malone	03:02
4.	Mother Earth M: Lewis Simpkins/Peter Chatman	04:06
5.	I'm Lost Without You M: Peter Chatman	03:00
6.	Something's Got A Hold On Me M: Pearl Woods/Etta James/Leroy Kirkland	03:38
7.	Peter Gunn I M: Henry Mancini	00:43
8.	I Can't Quit You Baby M: Willie Dixon	05:36
9.	Think M: Aretha Franklin/Ted White	04:01
10.	Way Down South M: Floyd Murphy/Matt Murphy	04:38
11.	Suffering Soul M: Guy Browley/Maurice Simpkins	03:00
12.	Jack Rabbit Boy M: Richard Fleming Francis/Thomas Jay Hambridge	02:04

CD 2

1.	Matt's Shuffle M: Matt Murphy	05:01
2.	Evil M: Willie Dixon	03:44
3.	Rocket 88 M: Jackie Brenston	02:48
4.	Sugar on the Floor M: Pauline Matthews	04:35
5.	Lonesome M: Peter Chatman	02:53
6.	Same Old Blues M: Don Nix	04:19
7.	Give Me Time M: Samuel Maghett	03:50
8.	Shake A Tailfeather M: Verlie Rice/Otha Hayes/Andre Williams	02:17
9.	Tired of Sleeping Alone M: Ricky "King" Russell	05:03
10.	Peter Gunn II M: Henry Mancini	00:52

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| 11. | Let Me Hang Around
M: McKinley Morganfield | 03:09 |
| 12. | You Wasn't Doin' Too Good
M: Joe Beard | 04:50 |