

Dr. John

Providing a fusion of Blues, Rock and New Orleans R&B, Dr John, winner of 3 Grammy awards, has mesmerized audiences for more than four decades. His latest album Locked Down is a collaboration with Dan Auerbach (Black Keys) and claimed to be one of his best. Each concert a highlight!



Line-up

Dr John - piano, vocals
Herman Ernest - drums
David Barad - bass
Renard Poche - guitar

On Stage: 4
Travel Party: 5

Website

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Biography

Dr. John, or Mac Rebennack as known to friends and family, is universally celebrated as the living embodiment of the rich musical heritage exclusive to New Orleans. His very colorful musical career began in the 1950s when he wrote and played guitar on some of the greatest records to come out of the Crescent City, including recordings by Professor Longhair, Art Neville, Joe Tex and Frankie Ford. A notorious gun incident forced the artist to give up the guitar and concentrate on organ and piano. Further trouble at home sent Dr. John west in the 1960s, where he continued to be in demand as a session musician, playing on records by Sonny and Cher, Van Morrison and Aretha Franklin to name a few. He also launched his solo career, developing the charismatic persona of Dr. John The Night Tripper. Adorned with voodoo charms and regalia, a legend was born with his breakthrough 1968 album *Gris-gris*, which established his unique blend of voodoo mysticism, funk, rhythm & blues, psychedelic rock and Creole roots. Several of his many career highlights include the masterful album *Sun, Moon and Herbs* in 1971 which included cameos from Eric Clapton and Mick Jagger and 1973's *In The Right Place*, which contained the chart hits "Right Place Wrong Time" and "Such A Night." Dr. John garnered Grammy award wins in 1989, 1992, 1996 and 2000. In 2004, his musical love letter to the city of New Orleans, "N'awlins Dis Dat or D'udda," was awarded the prestigious Académie Charles Cros 57ème Palmarès award in France. It was the first time since the 1970s that an artist from North America received the award. He has also received six other nominations over the years. In 2007 he was nominated for a Grammy for "Sippiana Hurricane," his Hurricane Katrina benefit disc. Other awards include the American Society of Young Musicians 2007 Trailblazer Award. After Hurricane Katrina and government

bunglers bashed New Orleans in 2005, Dr. John immediately stepped up to the plate with both generous relief fund-raising concerts and recordings and angry public words of protest. One of the Crescent City's most favored sons, Dr. John does his considerable bit to keep the world's attention focused on what needs to be done to help New Orleans come back. In 2008, he released the album "City That Care Forgot," which deals with various aspects of post-Katrina New Orleans and the Gulf Coast. In 2009, "City That Care Forgot" won the Grammy for "Best Contemporary Blues Album." It is considered to be his finest recording in twenty years. After a half century of creating music for others and himself, Dr. John continues to write, arrange, produce and interpret with a passion that has yet to wane. He continues to dazzle and delight audiences across the globe touring consistently. In fact, Dr. John, veteran of decades in music, is at the height of his creative output right now, having recently released grandly-conceived tribute albums to Duke Ellington and Johnny Mercer, and having famously revived his full-blown, magnificently-costumed 'Dr. John, the Night Tripper' stage persona in June 2006 at the Bonnaroo Music Festival. Several of his many career highlights include the masterful album Sun, Moon and Herbs in 1971 which included cameos from Eric Clapton and Mick Jagger and 1973's In The Right Place, which contained the chart hits "Right Place Wrong Time" and "Such A Night." Dr. John garnered Grammy award wins in 1989, 1992, 1996 and 2000. He has also received six other nominations over the years. Most recently, he was nominated for a 2007 Grammy for "Sippiana Hericane," his Hurricane Katrina benefit disc. In 2004, his musical love letter to the city of New Orleans, "N'awlinz Dis Dat or D'udda," was awarded the prestigious Académie Charles Cros 57ème Palmarès award in France. It was the first time since the 1970s that an artist from North America received the award. Other awards include the American Society of Young Musicians 2007 Trailblazer Award. After Hurricane Katrina and government bunglers bashed New Orleans in 2005, Dr. John immediately stepped up to the plate with both generous relief fund-raising concerts and recordings and angry public words of protest. In 2008 he released "City That Care Forgot," an album winning him a Grammy for Best Contemporary Blues Album. 2010's release "Tribal" has Dr. John revisiting that classic, swampy gris-gris style that put him on the map. 2012 marked the release of "Locked Down", a highly acclaimed album produced by Dan Auerbach of the "Black Keys". Critics already call it his best release in years and have put it in line with his early work. After a half century of creating music for others and himself, Dr. John continues to write, arrange, produce and interpret with a passion that has yet to wane. He continues to dazzle and delight audiences across the globe touring consistently.

Discography

1968 Gris-Gris - Collectors'
1969 Babylon - Atco
1970 Remedies - Atco
1971 The Sun, Moon & Herbs - Atco
1972 Dr. John's Gumbo - Atco
1973 In the Right Place - Atco
1973 Triumvirate - Columbia
1974 Desitively Bonaroo - Atco
1975 Mardi Gras - Atlantic
1975 Hollywood Be Thy Name - One Way
1978 City Lights - Horizon
1979 Tango Palace - Horizon
1981 Love Potion - Accord
1981 Dr. John Plays Mac Rebennack - Clean Cuts
1983 Brightest Smile in Town - Clean Cuts
1984 Such a Night! Live in London - Spindrift
1989 In a Sentimental Mood - Warner

1990 On a Mardi Gras Day - Great Southern
1990 And His New Orleans Congregation - Ace
1992 Goin' Back to New Orleans - Warner
1994 Television - GRP
1995 Afterglow - Blue Thumb
1997 Trippin' Live - Wind-Up
1998 Anutha Zone [Japan] - Import
1998 Anutha Zone - Virgin
2000 Duke Elegant - Blue Note
2000 Anniversary of the Marquee Club - K-Tel
2001 Creole Moon - Blue Note
2004 N'Awlinz: Dis Dat or d'Udda - Blue Note
2005 Sippiana Hericane - Blue Note
2006 Mercenary - Blue Note
2008 City That Care Forgot - 429 Records
2010 Tribal - 429 Records
2012 Locked Down - Nonesuch Records

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