Gio & the Mojo Workin' Band

Presentation

THE PROJECT

The band was formed at the end of summer 2005 in Parma (Italy) when the members of The Bartenders, a blues band composed by Armando Splenito on drums, Sebastiano Bernuzzi on bass, Ludovic Andrei on guitar and Giovanna Dazzi (voice), met Dimitry Rufolo, a saxophonist.

This new experience continue the solid blues line characteristic of the The Bartenders, now enriched with jazz, swing and soul influences that highlight the intense and expressive voice of the singer Gio and create the original sound of Gio & the Mojo Workin' Band.

In autumn 2007 Alessandro Di Pasquale succeeds the sax Dimitri enriching the sound of the band with a new and powerful melodic expression.

The repertoire is wide and varied : among the songs the band usually performs in concerts we can list blues classics such as *Got My Mojo Working*, famous standard jazz songs like *Summertime* or *My baby just cares for me*, pieces by Ray Charles, James Brown, Laurel Aitken, Elvis... and some rarities from the 20's and 30's. All the songs are personally arranged by the band.

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PROPOSAL

Thanks to the wideness of the repertoire, the band can offer two kinds of concerts: from the most intimate to the most overwhelming atmosphere, from blues and jazz to Rock& Roll and Soul.

SPECIFICATIONS

The band is equipped with amplifiers for small places: pubs, theatres ... For shows in a big or open space a service (min 2000W) is required. Instruments:

- 1 drums
- \bullet 1 bass+ampli
- 1 guitar+ampli
- $1 \operatorname{sax+mic}$
- 1 mic voice
- 4 mic second voices

REPERTOIRE

- Got My Mojo Workin' Preston Foster
- Bottle Up and Go John Lee Hooker
- One Bourbon, One Scotch, One Beer John Lee Hooker
- I'm feeling good Deitra Farr
- Movin'on Ray Charles
- Something's Got a Hold On Me Etta James
- Love Me Or Leave Me Lena Horne
- All By Myself Big Bill Broonzy
- Baby Baby Baby Willie Dixon
- Daddy Blues William Russell / Elisha Herbert
- Summertime Gershwin / Heyward
- Booted Rosco Gordon
- Hound Dog Jerry Leiber / Mike Stoller
- She Caught the Caty Trad.
- Bad Case Of Love B.B. King
- Walking the Dog Rufus Thomas
- I Feel Good James Brown
- Papa's Got a Brand New Bag James Brown
- Soul Man Hayes / Porter

- Mr Pitiful Otis Redding / Stephen Lee Cropper
- The Beat Goes On Sonny Bono
- It don't mean a thing (if you ain't got that swing) Edward Kennedy Ellington / Irving Mills
- Evil Hearted Me Josh White
- Let It Roll Bonnie Lee
- Baby Please Come Home Peter Chatman
- Bartender Laurel Aitken
- Jailhouse Rock Elvis
- Talk To Me Baby Elmore James
- Hoochie Coochie Man Muddy Waters
- I Ain't Superstitious Willie Dixon
- Dust My Broom Robert Johnson
- In the Midnight Hour Wilson Pickett
- Walk On Brownie McGhee
- Boom Boom John Lee Hooker
- I'll Survive B.B. King
- The Sun is Shining Elmore James
- Close to you Willie Dixon
- My Baby Just Care for Me Walter Donaldson / Gus Kahn
- Boogie Stop Shuffle Charles Mingus
- I Just Want To Make Love To You Willie Dixon
- Blue Spirit Blues Bessie Smith
- Cry Me a River Arthur Hamilton
- Take Five Paul Desmond
- When the Saints Go Marchin' in Trad.
- Down by The Riverside Trad
- Mack the Knife Kurt Weill
- Afro Blue Mongo Santamaria
- On the Train Gio & The Mojo Workin' Band
- Growin' Up Gio & The Mojo Workiin' Band