

Press Release: Wayne Buttery and Roly Platt

Soulful and Smooth — *times two*

Introducing the new duo of Canadian blues veteran Wayne Buttery and Canada's premier harmonica player Roly Platt. Together they deliver a powerful and compelling combination of acoustic and electric blues.



Wayne's Biography

Toronto native Wayne Buttery has been entertaining audiences for more than four decades. Wayne's professional career began in 1965 as a guitarist for hire. In the early 1970's Wayne was one of the founding members of the well-known Toronto based nostalgia show band, BANANAS. Later in the mid 1980's he went on to perform with MIDDLE AGED CRAZY'S and in 1989 Wayne founded, THE BLUENOTES with Paul Hamilton, Sonny Bernardi, George Dion, Wolf Stelling, Wayne Mills, Chris Howells and Henry Soltis. In 1998, WAYNE BUTTERY & THE GROOVE PROJECT was formed, recording and performing their original compositions. Wayne has made several guest appearances with such well known artists as Wilson Pickett, Tina Turner, and Gary US Bonds, etc.. And in April of 2004, Wayne Buttery & The Groove Project opened for the legendary JAMES COTTON BLUES BAND.

CD & Vinyl Recordings – "Come & Get It" by Bananas, "Waiting" by Wayne Buttery & The Groove Project, "Live At Twisters" by Wayne Buttery & The Groove Project and "Reflections" by Russell Strathdee.

Roly's Biography

For the past 30 years, Toronto's Roly Platt remains one of Canada's premier live and studio harmonica players. To date, he has been recorded on over 800 national commercials, TV/ film scores and album cuts. Roly's early years on the road quickly introduced him to a wide variety of music including blues, country-swing, country-rock, R&B & jazz. This experience of having to incorporate harp into non-traditional roles, helped form his melodic approach – defining his unique style.

Touring Acts - Ronnie Hawkins, Matt Minglewood, Dutch Mason, Suzie Vinnick, Rick Fines, Max Mouse, Roy Young, Bill Candy, Cement City Stompers etc.

CD & Vinyl Recordings - Ennis Sisters, George Canyon, Beverley Mahood, Sharon, Lois & Bram (Platinum), Matt Minglewood, Joel Feeney, Ronnie Hawkins, Jack Semple, Joan Kennedy, World on Edge (Platinum), The Stampeders, Rick Fines, George Meanwell, Bill Colgate, Suzie Vinnick, Jason McCoy, Rita MacNeil, Jamie Warren, Cassandra Vasik, Michael Brennan etc.

Jingles - Ford, Chrysler, Labatt, Swiss Chalet, McDonalds, Budweiser, T.O. Blue Jays, LCBO, The Keg, Pioneer, Toyota etc.

Film & TV - Franklin The Turtle, Berenstain Bears, Rolie Polie Olie, Buffalo Girls (mini series), Ron James (theme - CBC sitcom pilot), Megasnake (movie), The Dark (movie), Stars on Ice (TV special), CTV Sportsnet "Good old Hockey Game" - (theme and video appearance), Canadian Country Music Awards (TV special) etc.