



Miss Melanie & the Valley Rats

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Miss Melanie and the Valley Rats have appeared with B.B. King, Jay Leno, Johnny Winter, James Cotton, The Nighthawks, J.J. Grey, Billy Price, Robert Randolph and a host of others in the six years of being together.

Miss Melanie can flat out sing. Her giant voice, with tons of range and soul is the centerpiece of the band. She can whip a dance floor into a frenzy or turn them quiet enough to hear a pin drop when serving up a soul bearing ballad. She has cultivated a loyal fan base with her nearly inimitable voice. Combined with Queen Bee and the Blue Hornet Band alumni Mark Ross on guitar, Rev. James Harton on organ and Chris Coyne on drums, they lay down the perfect groove-laden floor to express themselves.

While no stranger to backing a great singer, Ross' in the pocket, tasty, and soul drenched guitar playing add to the party. Harton's organ is the perfect bed for Morrison and Ross, but make no mistake about it, when it's time for Harton to step forward, he roars and moans with the mighty sound of a seasoned veteran. Chris Coyne holds down the drum chair with a less is more and elegant approach that makes this band all come together.

This is a band that truly gets it. One listen and you are hooked!

“...a simmering, smoldering set of vintage, sixties R&B that drew several standing ovations mid-set.”

— *Elmore Magazine*

“Morrison has a voice that is reminiscent of Etta James, sultry, smoky and very highly emotionally charged. The band is equally emotionally charged, coming from the school of feelings rather than technical perfection. Don't get me wrong, this band can hold their own with the best of them from either standpoint.”

— Bill Wilson – *Billtown Blues News*

“Do yourself a favor. Go see this band and buy the CD. You won't be disappointed.”

— Don Bedell - *The Centre County Gazette*

“...a rapport, discipline and tonal color not unlike a classic organ trio from Blue Note or Verve Records' mid-'60s heyday.”

— Dan Kunz - *Centre Daily Times*

“...featuring former Queen Bee and the Blue Hornet Band alumni Mark Ross on guitar and organist Rev. James Harton, the Valley Rats provide the smooth and grooving backdrops for new singing sensation Melanie Morrison.”

— Jim Price - *Pennsylvania Musician*

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