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About Sonic Honey:

Founded by front woman Sheri Jean Abbey, Sonic Honey exists to pay homage to the greatness that was Janis Joplin and to the people who influenced her and those that Janis influenced! Sonic Honey performs many Mercedes Benz, Me & Bobby Heart just to name a few. than just the songs she sang! blues and rock musicians Tom Petty, Grace Slick and like no other!



of Janis's hits including One Good Man, McGee and of course the iconic Piece of My But Janis's reach in the music world was more Janis touched the lives of some of the greatest that ever graced the world's stages! Eric Clapton, many, many more. Sonic Honey tells the story

About the Band:

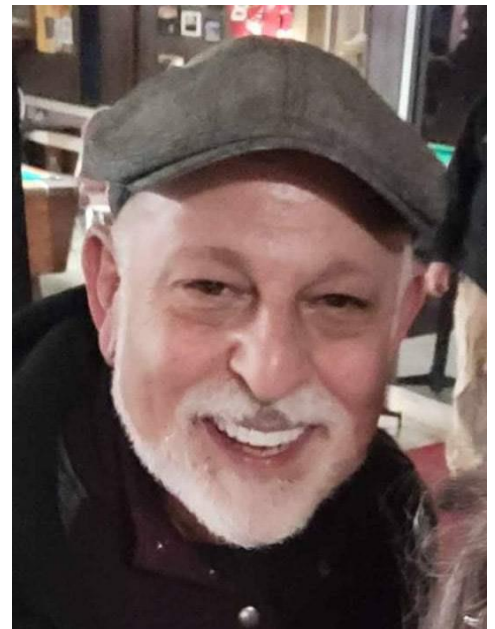
Sheri Jean Abbey – Lead Vocals, Guitar, Saxophone , Flute:



Sheri began playing the saxophone and singing in the youth choir at church when she was just 13 years old. Sheri's summers during high school were spent traveling Europe, performing with International Choirs. Teaching voice lessons and performing in cover bands for over 20 years, Sheri decided it was time to focus on her favorite singer, Janis Joplin and, like Janis, put some serious time into song writing! Thanks to her new producer/guitar player Nic Cocco and publisher CoccoMusic, LLC – Underdog Music and Publishing, she has many new songs that will see the light of day.

Nic Cocco – Lead Guitar, Backing Vocals

Playing Guitar since the age of 7, his mother told him that if he learned "Malaguena" by Ernesto Lecuona, he would be allowed to take guitar lessons and soon after, he was able to play her favorite song, by the age of 17 his heart was focused on jazz, blues, fusion and progressive rock which led him to Berklee College Music in Boston. While at Berklee he had incredible teachers that inspired him and met many folks that he would perform with over the years. Since his Berklee days, he has gotten to play music with many artists, toured and recorded at studios in New York, LA and Nashville. Nic has traveled extensively, working as a professional side studio musician, producer, and arranger. He has over 100 published works, is a member of ASCAP and has worked with multiple acts, artists and producers throughout his musical career. Nic is the founder of CoccoMusic, LLC.





Tom Sumner – Drums, Percussion

Tom was born and raised in Flint, MI and was Executive Director for the Center City Association of Greater Flint, The Flint Children’s Museum and New Leash On Life in Los Angeles, CA. Tom traveled the Midwest in the 70’s and early 80’s as a full-time musician playing drums in small concert venues for recording artists “The Diamonds.” “The Drifters.” “Freddy (Boom-Boom) Cannon,” “Del Shannon,” and many others. In the 1990’s, Tom took to the radio air waves as a classical music host at Flint’s public radio station, and as media spokesperson for mid-Michigan Crimestoppers. He was a regular on-air host during pledge drives for Flint’s public television station. He hosted a morning talk show on WKUF 94.3 FM called “Off The KUF” before launching The Tom Sumner Program on Flint’s News Talk 1470 WFNT.

Jon Staercke (Starky) – Bass Guitar, Backing Vocals

Jon discovered his passion for music at the age of 17, when he picked up his first guitar. With a natural talent for learning songs by ear and with guidance from some very learned friends, Jon quickly honed his skills. After retiring from a distinguished 22-year career in the Navy, he returned to his home state of Michigan and has been immersing himself in the live music scene ever since. Jon began playing in various bands, showcasing his versatility on acoustic guitar, electric bass, lead and backing vocals and drums. Influenced by the blues, rock and country, Jon has developed a unique sound that resonates with his fans. His energy and style brings a vibrant presence to each and every venue he performs at.

