



Happy Holidays

from

Twisted Gypsy

We have such a love and appreciation for our fans and extended band families that we could not resist crafting this newsletter sharing with each of you the individual expressions of gratitude and nostalgia from each player. We hope you enjoy reading them, and clink your glass with ours in a toast to a happy holiday and a happier new year!



Twisted Gypsy has grown so much in the past year... It's literally been a blur filled with laughter, new faces, dedicated super fans, great venues, and our band family growing closer than ever expected. Thank you for supporting us when: we had only 10 people dancing, when we blew out the power boxes (3x), when it was so packed you couldn't move, when I was mixing sound and got carried away with the volume knobs, when Katie made your jaw drop with her sustained pitch-perfect LANDSLIDE notes, when Tim blasted off your hat with his epic CHAIN riff, when Milo's solo made you pogo like you were 9 years old, when Sean rocked so hard his sweat covered the front row, when Aaron left your ears ringing with his surprise encore Journey solo, when Annie danced her A\$\$ off side stage making you giddy! Thank you for loving us the way we love you all.



Stay tuned. Huge things to come for Twisted Gypsy and our fans are gonna eat it up! May 2019 fill your ears and hearts with the music of peace and tranquility.

– **Billy Derian, Founder / Producer / Manager / PA & Lights / Sound Board**

I'd like to send my heartfelt thanks to everyone who's supported us this year, come to a show, shared with friends, and given us love on social media. I've met so many wonderful people, and I'm truly humbled and grateful for the compliments and encouragement we receive. I love stepping on stage and rocking out with this family of talented friends, and I'm excited for what's to come.

I'm also pleased to report that I didn't fall once this year while spinning on stage in spiked heels! Can I beat that record in 2019? Here's to hoping. And here's to great memories of squishing into vans, blowing out power, getting alcohol poisoning at rehearsal, and licking the Whisky floor. Can't wait to see you all again very soon! Much love, big hugs. Cheers to Rock n' Roll!

– **Katie Shorey, "Stevie Nicks" / Vocals / Keytar / Social Media Director**

Omigosh, where to start? Well, first of all, please let me express my heartfelt thanks to each and every one of you who supports us by coming to our live shows. We love it when you hit the dance floor from the very first downbeat, sing along with us, and wear our way cool Twisted Gypsy shirts and such. I'm so grateful because we couldn't do this without you! I've found through many years of performing that it takes two-way communication for me to want to sing my heart out. Thanks to the great songs by Fleetwood Mac, I've been able to do that because we've had big audiences from our very first show!

Some special memories from 2018 include our first fly date as a band to the charming little town of Granbury Texas, where all three shows were sold out (amazing!); the Temecula Theater and their stellar photographer; our first road trip in a big passenger van to Half Moon Bay and back, with a 10am call time at Lobster Rock in Redondo Beach the next morning (!); returning to Thornton Winery in Temecula for their annual Halloween bash (missed the costumes this year, though, hint hint!); enjoying NABU Wines' amazing Pinot Gris at our performances there, including the Borderline benefit concert, a huge highlight in itself; writing, working up, then recording three original songs at the great Revolver Studios with Grammy-winning Fleetwood Mac producer Ken Caillat, and Jason Mraz, Colbie Caillat & Five For Fighting producer Mikal Blue... and many other great shows and happy memories.



Perhaps what I'm most grateful for is the way Twisted Gypsy has come together as a band family this year. We've been in the trenches together, through ups and downs, and I'm happy to say that it's made our bond stronger. We truly love each other, and we truly love what we do. I'm in my bliss when I'm onstage, so thank you, thank you, thank you to my bandmates, Billy, Ruthie, Artie, the band spouses & partners, and, of course, you, our fans. Onward and upward in 2019!

– Annie Sims, “Christine McVie” / Keyboard / Vocals / Business Manager

As I ride this hunk of rock and water, hurling in helix through space and time at 1.3 million miles per hour, firmly poised in my best Larusso-by-Macchio Crane Kick pose, I cannot help but consider the notion of perpetual motion: the idea that something, once set onto a forward trajectory, will continue to move upon that course without any further propulsion, lest it be interfered with by an external force. The universe, of course, is full of external forces, either unintentionally or intentionally set upon a path resulting—eventually—in interference with another mass.

At this time when we have nearly completed yet another tour around our own private star, I, for one, am grateful certain forces—perpetual, random, or otherwise—have created, for me, experience, hope, and even LIFE. What cannot be measured—perhaps due to scientific limitations, or, I prefer thinking due to the enormity of the required calculation—is the size or amount of love in the universe. Love that, I hope, like the impact of a perfectly executed Crane Kick, can be both a machine of perpetual motion and an external force interfering with all sources of negativity and evil existing between the edges of space and time. Fingers crossed. Happy Festivus to all.

– Sean Patrick Bangert / “Lindsey Buckingham” / Not the Business Manager

As sure as a rat runs a rafter, I hope that everyone's Christmas and Hanukah keeps getting better each year and ever after!

– Milo Todesco / “Mick Fleetwood” / Drums / Percussion

This past year has been such an incredible experience! This time last year, I was still trying to make my way into Twisted Gypsy. My audition didn't go very well, which is my own fault for giving up on a dream. However, that audition reminded me of what I wanted to be when I grow up. Actually, I aspire to be many things – a bass player is at the top of that list. It was a rough road for me at first, yet every member of our Twisted Gypsy family was completely supportive and more than patient in my development within this band. I'm proud to say that I've been in several talented bands with some incredible musicians. Twisted Gypsy is also at the top of that list. We are all brothers and sisters from another mother or mister!

I am grateful for the experience of playing with Twisted Gypsy in more ways than we have time for in this writing. And, I am extremely thankful for this band putting me back in touch with friends that I haven't seen in far too long. Friends that I have truly missed and also consider family. I am also extremely thankful to be playing bass again. I had forgotten how much that instrument is a part of me. Who in their right mind dreams of being a bass player? Only true bass players will understand.

2018 has been nothing short of incredible from continuously playing sold out shows to hosting a beautifully received benefit concert for our friends at Borderline. The outpouring of loving emotion from such a horrific event reminds me that good will always prevail. Our crowds of fans that continually sing and dance with us, bringing





their friends to our ever-growing audience is nothing short of amazing. It absolutely astonishing when you have fans from all ages attending your concerts! I am truly blessed to be a member of Twisted Gypsy and I look forward to what 2019 has in store for our future.

– **Tim Gilmer / “John McVie” / Bass Guitar / Vocals / PA & Lights / Video Editing**

As I look back on the past “almost” 2 years working with Twisted Gypsy, it's quite astounding to think about how many shows we've played together. I must say that working with this band has and is an enormous amount of fun. This kind of group isn't thrown together but rather, honed show after show. However, the reward for all the hours of prep is seeing the faces of the people at the shows and watching them leave still talking about the music. The individual reasons for coming to a concert will most likely vary from person to person but one thing is for sure: during those 2 or 3 hours, we all can forget about life for awhile and get lost in the music. This is what I feel Twisted Gypsy is about and we aim to continue bringing you a larger-than-life experience and leave you with something you won't soon forget. Here's to more getting-lost-in-music for 2019!

– **Aaron Kusterer / “Nigel” / Lead Guitar / Vocals / Music Director / Tour Manager**

Where We Rocked in 2018

So much of this past year has been unforgettable. Even still, we love looking back at our calendar fondly. Join us on this trip down memory lane to revisit some of our favorite gigs of 2018...



The Whiskey A Go-Go ~ Hollywood, CA

Thornton Winery ~ Temecula, CA

The Viper Room ~ Hollywood, CA

Slidebar Rock n' Roll Kitchen ~ Fullerton, CA

The Canyon Cowboy ~ Canyon Lake, CA

The Granbury Theater ~ Granbury, TX

The Temecula Theater ~ Temecula, CA

The Saban Theater ~ Beverly Hills, CA

Malibu Wines ~ Malibu, CA

 ***Borderline Bar & Grill ~ Thousand Oaks, CA*** 

Flynn's Cabaret ~ Felton, CA





Ventura County Fair ~ Ventura, CA
Fiesta Camarillo ~ Camarillo, CA
ApothekeLA ~ Downtown Los Angeles, CA
Discovery Ventura ~ Ventura, CA
Nabu Wines ~ Westlake Village, CA



Come See Us in 2019

The "Rumours" are true... we are planning to be the first band to rock out in space!...BUT... until then, come out and see us. Here are just a few gigs on our calendar for 2019.

The Canyon Cowboy ~ Canyon Lake, CA (residency)

Nabu Wines ~ Westlake Village, CA (residency)

Discovery Ventura ~ Ventura, CA (residency)

The Arena Bar & Grill ~ Simi Valley, CA (residency)

The Canyon Club ~ Agoura Hills, CA

Casa Escobar - Malibu, CA

Ventura County Fair ~ Ventura, CA

Fiesta Camarillo ~ Camarillo, CA

Oakheart Festival ~ Thousand Oaks, CA



***and come support a great cause on January 6, 2019 as
we share the stage with***

Yachtley Crew

and

Toad The Wet Sprocket

as we support those affected most by the tragedy at

Borderline Bar & Grill

at the Westlake Yacht Club, 3pm

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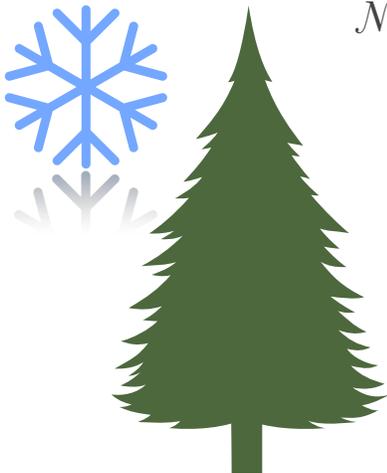
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Thank You For Being Our Friend

Our fans are simply the best. YOU are the best. Thank you for showing up, and celebrating the music with us.

Please share the joy and love with your friends and family, and if you have not clicked lately come visit us at... be our friend!!!

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