David Gogo "Christmas With The Blues" (Canada)



I will be the first to admit that I really like the good old fashioned Christmas songs, White Christmas, Twelve Days Of Christmas, Chestnuts Roasting on an Open Fire, and countless others, sung by the greats Bing Crosby, Nat King Cole, Gene Autry, Perry Como, and Jose Feliciano, to name just a few. I also really like the modern day artists that have stepped forward, putting a little polish on the old standards or offering up their own originals, such as David Gogo's absolutely amazing new release, "Christmas With The Blues", which offers up 9 blues inspired Tracks of both standards and originals.

Now David Gogo would certainly not have been my first thought as someone whom would of put out a Christmas Album, in fact he never thought he would either, never the less, he has and boy it quickly has become a favorite around here this Christmas Season and will for many more to come.

Using his superb Vocals and amazing stinging Guitar work, David Gogo slices through 9 Tracks as effortlessly as a hot knife slicing through butter, but it isn't just Gogo that brings the magic to this little gem, it is also the stellar lineup of artists he brought along with him on this journey, which included greats Bill Hicks (Drums), Marisha Devoin (Acoustic Stand-Up Bass), David Vest (Piano), Phil Dwyer (Saxophones and Piano on Track 5), Jay Stevens (Bass on Track 9), Tina Jones & Camille Miller (Vocals Track 9), and Shawn Hall (Harmonica).

Picking favorites on "Christmas With The Blues" was easy, all of them, it is as simple as that. All fabulously great tunes, mind you not something you are going to hear over the speakers at the locals stores this Christmas season, except for one, that being "Little Drummer Boy", which if I had to really pick one favorite, that was the one. "Little Drummer Boy" was one I had to go back to listen to a few times before I finished off the Album the first time I listened to it. It was done as an instrumental in a Hauntingly Beautiful style, which sounded like just David Gogo on Guitar, Bill Hicks on Drums, and Shawn Hall on Harmonica. 3:56 of just pure listening pleasure topped off so brilliantly with all the songs that preceded it and the closer, "Santa Claus Wants Some Lovin' that followed it.

Those that know David Gogo, know his style and the tunes he brought forward for "Christmas With The Blues", fit his style to a tee.

"Christmas With The Blues", is hands down a Blues Music Fans Christmas Dream come true and the perfect gift for your Blues Lovin' Loved One, whether you have already bought all your gifts or not.

5***** for "Christmas With The Blues"... It a Beauty... Heck even Santa would love it...

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