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Southern Rock's Finest features former members of Pure Prairie League, Lynyrd Skynyrd, Molly Hatchet, Gregg Allman Band, Blackfoot, Artimus Pyle Band, Les Dudek Group, and Chostriders.

In 2014, **Phill Stokes**, a founding member of **Pure Prairie League**, visioned and brought to life this gathering of legendary musicians to celebrate and showcase the best of **Southern Rock**.

Southern Rock's Finest plays the radio hits from the bands they founded and played in.



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Southern Rock's Finest includes:

PHILL STOKES formerly of Pure Prairie League, Bob Burns Project, and Ghostriders

MIKE ESTES formerly of Lynyrd Skynyrd and Blackfoot SCOTT CRAIG formerly of Blackfoot and Molly Hatchet STEVE MCCOSKEY formerly of Les Dudek Group, Bounty Hunter Band and Big Dick and the Extenders

CHAZ TRIPPY formerly of Gregg Allman Band

JAMES CHAPLIN formerly of TNB (Allman Brothers tribute show)



Phill Stokes is a musician, bass player, guitarist, vocalist, band leader, and producer. An original and founding member of Pure Prairie League, his vision for Southern Rock's Finest is the driving force bringing these legendary musicians together on one stage. Phill has played with Pure Prairie League, Bob Burns Project, Ghostriders, Bo Didley, J.D.Blackfoot, Dennis Yost and the Classics Four, Eric Moore of The Godz, Sleepy LaBeef, and has done session work with Craig Fuller of Little Feat.

Mike Estes is considered by those-that-know to be one of the best southern rock singer/guitarists performing today. From his days playing guitar with Lynyrd Skynyrd and Blackfoot to fronting Skinny Molly, Estes has established himself as the common link between the past and the future of Southern Rock. As formidable as his singing and guitar playing is, Estes is also a prolific songwriter, penning a diverse set of fan favorites as "Devil in the Bottle" "Better Than I Should" to "For Y'all" and "Give You All Night" from Skinny Molly's latest CD, "Here For A Good Time". A self-described workaholic, he recently began work on new solo CD which showcases his latest tunes and some previously unrecorded songs written when he was in Skynyrd.



Scott Craig has worked with just about everyone in Nashville, most notably touring with Trace Adkins, Legends of Country Jim Ed Brown and Helen Cornelius, and more recently drumming with the number one Eagles tribute band The Long Run. He is formerly of Blackfoot and Molly Hatchet.

Chaz Trippy started playing Congas in 1977 and was fortunate to study for 3 years under the late **Ramon Lopez**. He played with the **Gregg Allman Band** from 1981-89. He's been playing with **Gumbo Boogie** in Sarasota for 23 years and sits in on all kinds of bands around the Suncoast, most importantly, of course, with **Southern Rock's Finest**.





Steve "Mac" McCoskey played with Bounty Hunter and Big Dick and the Extenders which, according to Florida for Dummies, we haven't lived until we've experienced. While he is deceased and badly missed, Big Dick's shtick was stinging, per Dummies, but Steve Mac's hot guitar playing was once so hot his amp literally caught on fire.

James Chaplin played with TNB, an Allman Brothers tribute show. He also was an original musician with Florida bands Local Traffic and The South Street Band.



PREVIOUS SHOWS

DES PLAINES THEATER, DES PLAINES, IL

HARD ROCK CAFE, TAMPA, FL

STURGIS BIKE WEEK, KICKSTAND'S RESORT, STURGIS, SD

CLUB LA VELA BIKE WEEK, PANAMA CITY BEACH, FL

MOUNT DORA COMMUNITY CENTER THEATER, MT. DORA, FL

SPACE COAST HARLEY DAVIDSON, PALM BAY, FL

INDEPENDENCE FESTIVAL, ROCK HILL, SC

STATE THEATER, ST. PETERSBURG, FL

COOTER FESTIVAL, INVERNESS, FL

THRASHER - HORNE CENTER, ORANGE PARK, FL

JET BLUE STADIUM, FT. MYERS, FL

MUSIC RANCH, LAKELAND, FL

DAYTONA BIKE WEEK, BOOTHILL SALOON, DAYTONA BEACH, FL

BOARDWALK BEACH RESORT, PANAMA CITY BIKE WEEK CONCERT SERIES, PANAMA CITY, FL

EARL'S HIDEAWAY, SEBASTIAN, FL

DAYTONA BIKE WEEK, MAIN STREET STATION, DAYTONA BEACH, FL

PARK WEST MUSIC HALL, CHICAGO, IL

VINOY PARK, St. PETERSBURG, FL

BRICKTOWN, JANESVILLE, OH

COWBOY FESTIVAL, PHOENIX, AZ

FORMER MEMBERS OF SOUTHERN ROCK'S FINEST WHO HAVE LEFT THIS BAND AND SOME THIS WORLD AND ARE FONDLY REMEMBERED

 BOB BURNS R.I.P.
 DRUMS
 LYNYRD SKYNYRD

 CHARLIE HARGRET
 GUITAR
 BLACKFOOT

 STEVE GRISHAM
 GUITAR, VOCALS
 OUTLAWS

DAN TOLER R.I.P. GUITAR ALLMAN BROTHERS BAND

TIM HEDDING R.I.P. KEYS GREGG ALLMAN BAND, MARSHALL TUCKER BAND, JAMES BROWN, DELANEY AND BONNIE

BUZZY MEKINS R.I.P. GUITAK, BASS, VOCALS OUTLAWS, DANNY JOE BROWN BAND, DICKY BETTS, VASSAR CLEMENTS

DAVE MUSE KEYS, VOCALS, SAX, FLUTE FIREFALL, MARSHALL TUCKER BAND

GARY GUZZARDO DRUMS MARSHALL TUCKER BAND
ARTEMIS PYLE DRUMS LYNYRD SKYNYRD
DAVID DIX DRUMS OUTLAWS

RANDALL HALL GUITAR, VOCALS LYNYRD SKYNYRD

JAY JOHNSON GUITAR, VOCALS BLACKFOOT, ROSSINGTON BAND

SHAWN BEAMER DRUMS MOLLY HATCHET

SUBS

DEREK HESS DRUMS ROSSINGTON COLLINS BAND

JAMES CHAPLIN GUITAR, VOCALS TNB

JIMMY ELKINS VOCALS CURRENTLY WITH MOLLY HATCHET

STEVE "MAC" MCCOSKEY GUITAR, VOCALS BLACKFOOT



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