

John Grieco

All Styles of music • All venues

Born in New York, John started performing professionally as a young teenager in Rock Bands up and down the East Coast. The importance of music in everyday life inspired John to study at an early age, the fundamentals of classical and jazz from various institutions in New York, eventually earning a degree in music from the University of Southern California.

Currently, John performs with Deja Vu, an 8 piece dance band that is frequenting showrooms each week in the Red Rock Casino, Green Valley Ranch, The Rampart, The South Point, and the Texas Station. As a solo performer, John started at the Tropicana in the mid eighties and more recently, the last five years in the Palace Grand Lounge at Arizona Charles on Boulder Highway. www.Dejavudanceband.com

Since 1980, John has performed in the Las Vegas area, in bands, and in Vegas shows. From the famous COASTERS, The FORTUNES, to eye catching Playboys' Girls of Rock n' Roll Show at the former Maxim Hotel and Casino. He is best known for fifteen years, leading his own band, SOUNDCHASER. During those years, the Daughter of the late and great Louis Prima, Lena Prima and also Deidra Contino, Daughter of the famous master accordionist, Dick Contino, has fronted his band. John has performed on nearly every stage in the Las Vegas area to the far reaches of Northern Nevada, with some of the finest musicians this area has to offer. He also has toured the Midwest extensively, and performed most of the lower 48, as far as Washington State, to Florida, and South of the Border, Cancun Mexico.

Within the last few years you could have found him performing between the Venetian, Aladdin and the Mandalay Resorts, with the nine piece horn band out of Denver called Back Street. Their repertoire consisted of very accurate arrangements of Steely Dan, Chicago, and Earth Wind and Fire, with a serious splash of Motown.

Most recently, as house musician in the influential Turnberrys' Sterling Club, John performed in the band fronted by Kelly Clinton. John has shared the stage with such visiting celebrities as Clint Holmes, Mary Wilson of the Supremes, the Cintas, Tony Sacca and many other Celebrities who frequent the venue. On occasion, he has filled in on keyboards at the RIO showroom's Tony and Tina's Wedding, the dinner musical from New York. Recently he has been a resident Singer Pianist at the Chianti Cafe in Summerlin.

For years, he has been busy in the recording world as a producer, performer, and songwriter. Having owned several Recording studios in the Las Vegas Area, he has also worked as engineer, musician, and producer at the state of the art, Toto Zaras Midi Works Studios, writing and performing soundtracks for shows like Splash and performing on jingles and various CD's.

As producer and writer, he has had the likes of famous locals such as: Jeneane Marie and Denise Clementi sing his songs. Partnering with Lena Prima as Songwriter, John found several songs on her recent CD.

With a variety of musical styles from Jazz, Rock, R & B, to Country, he is able to reach a vast audience with his blend of music. In recent years, he creates his own ethereal blend of synthesizer music to create a live ambient soundtrack for trade shows such as Comdex. Also, he has been performing solo piano events for shows such as: the annual World Wide Jewelry Convention (JCK) held in Las Vegas.

Whatever the occasion requires, Cocktail Solo Piano for private parties, cooperate events, Duo work with vocalist Julie Newman, and even making music for couples taking their vows to be wed the Las Vegas famous Chapels, versatility and adaptability is always a welcome challenge.