

Purple Night 2015 - Tribute to Ritchie Blackmore - 70th Birthday



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Perfect Strangers of Finland
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Ritchie Blackmore 70^v

with special quest
former Rainbow vocalist

Doogie White

Rock Rooster

Jari Tiura

HBF-Group

Ben Granfelt

Kimmo Blom

Mauri Savolainen

SHOWTIME KLO 21:00

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Friday, May 29, from 8:00pm to 4:00am

Showtime 9:00pm, doors open from 8:00pm

Age limit 18

On Friday, May 29, Purple Night returns to the legendary Tavastia Club in Helsinki, as Perfect Strangers of Finland (PSOF) present the 7th Purple Night event. This event has been held in Tavastia Club in 2008, 2009, 2011, 2012 and Virgin Oil Club in 2013 and 2014.

PSOF was established in 1998 to promote and pay tribute to Deep Purple and related music. PSOF is approved by Thames Talent Ltd as the official Deep Purple Society in Finland.

During all these years, our society has given numerous musicians – both professionals and amateurs, experienced people and newcomers – opportunities to perform, totaling in more than one hundred artists including such well-known names as Nikolo Kotzev, Tipe Johnson, Anssi Kela, Timo Kotipelto and Jukka Lewis, in addition to the member musicians of our society. Ultimately, it's always been the music that counts. We've had various themes in these events such as 10 Perfect Women, In Rock, Rainbow, Who Do We think We Are and, last but not least, Old, New, Borrowed and Blue.

This year we're celebrating the 70th birthday of Ritchie Blackmore, born April 14, 1945.

Ritchie Blackmore was given his first guitar at the age of 11. In the early 1960s he began to work as a session player and performed with a number of bands. He formed the first line-up of Deep Purple (Mk I) in 1968 with Jon Lord, Ian Paice, Nick Simper and Rod Evans. Later in life he established Ritchie Blackmore's Rainbow, later shortened to Rainbow, and the folk rock project Blackmore's Night.

Not surprisingly, the guitarists will be the stars of this Purple Night, paying tribute to Ritchie Blackmore's music, which will be performed by two Finnish bands, Rock Rooster with various line-ups and HBF-Group led by Henric Blomqvist. Rock Rooster earned the "PSOF Band of the Year" award in 2011. They are covering principally the music of Deep Purple, Rainbow and Whitesnake and known for their absolutely energetic way of doing so. The line-up of Rock Rooster features Pekka More Karvonen on guitar, Kari Martikainen on bass, Hannu Auvinen on drums and Markku Tolvanen at the keyboards. We've already seen their singer **Tommy O** performing in Purple Night 2012. The HBF-Group line-up features Henric Blomqvist on guitar, Jonas Kuhlberg on bass, Janne Manninen on drums and Sven Wannäs on keys. Henric and Sven were playing in Solid Faces, in Purple Night 2013.

Vocalists of the night will include **Doogie White** (Ritchie Blackmore's Rainbow), **Jari Tiura** (Michael Schenker Group, Stargazery), **Kimmo Blom** (Urban Tale, Show Must Go On/Musical Theatre Palatsi, Voice of Finland 2015, Angelo De Nile) and **Tommy O**. One of the guitarists will be **Ben Granfelt** whose long career includes playing in Wishbone Ash, Leningrad Cowboys, Gringos Locos and currently in Los Bastardos Finlandeses, just to mention some of the bands. He has composed guitar-oriented music throughout his 30-year long career. We will also see PSOF-member Mauri Savolainen (Rainbow Shakers, Stargate) on stage with his guitar.

This Purple Night will bring us the music of Deep Purple and Rainbow, from all line-ups, including classic hits but also songs heard more seldomly. The album "Stranger In Us All" by Ritchie Blackmore's Rainbow was released 20 years ago, in 1995; we are honored to have the original singer on this album, Doogie White, as the Guest of Honor in this event.

You are cordially invited to join us in celebrating the 70th birthday of Ritchie Blackmore, with magnificent music and splendid performers.

The list of artists is subject to change.

Tickets: 13 EUR + Tiketti Service Fee

15 EUR at the door

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