

HOT FOR TEACHER



Formed in 1999 to showcase Van Halen's David Lee Roth hits, HOT FOR TEACHER has been relentlessly performing throughout the United States, thrilling concert-goers and dedicated fans. HFT brings to the stage everything fans of the world's greatest party band crave; including the biggest and greatest hits from the Van Hagar era. Fans can expect both roaring and melodic lead vocals, Eddie Van Halen's most stunning guitar solos, thundering bass, massive drums, vocal harmonies...and best of all, one hell of a good time!

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With an uncanny knack for channeling both David Lee Roth and Sammy Hagar, singer and bandleader Randy Monroe belts out Van Halen's powerful vocal rants and irreverent lyrical sound bites with the same volcanic intensity of the original recordings, all the while conjuring Roth's none-too-serious, get-all-the-girls-dancing, "F— yeah this is real Jack Daniels" party vibe or "Are we havin' fun yet? And, ain't life is good at the beach?" Sammy Hagar life-style (fun fact: in a tie-in with the band's name, Monroe is also an award-winning science teacher).

The ripping, virtuosic guitar parts of Eddie Van Halen played by 6-string sharpshooter, Terry Lauderdale, get even the most finicky Van Halen fans playing air guitar.

HFT veteran guitarist and founding member, shred-master Terry Lauderdale, upon "hearing the call of duty" from guitarist Jude Gold's absence has stepped back up in to the "line of fire". Terry had originally handed over guitar duties to Jude in 2007, when he stepped down to record and tour Europe with heavy metal powerhouse Heathen and then pursue his original project. Ironically now, the "shoe is on the other

foot” and Terry’s recent wood-shedding with HFT is truly redefining the ultimate Van Halen Experience with the latest addition of the biggest hits from the Sammy Hagar Van Halen era canon. Terry will be rockin’ them for HFT as a blend of era sounds for the “Best of Both Worlds Show” and the newly developed Van Hagar alter-ego act “HFT’s Red Rocker Experience” that includes the greatest hits of both Montrose and Hagar!

Four-string super hero Matthew “Brooks” Lundy not only brings the Michael Anthony thunder on bass, but he also amazingly nails Anthony’s near-inimitable ultra-high vocal harmonies, a crucial sonic element of every Van Halen song. While, drum genius and perfect meter-man Eddie Studebaker evokes Alex Van Halen’s skin-bashing with an authenticity and power you can only see to believe. His mind-boggling intro to the band’s theme song, “Hot For Teacher,” is alone worth the price of admission.

When HOT FOR TEACHER was invited to perform for Michael Anthony’s bass guitar dedication at San Francisco’s Hard Rock Cafe in 2003, the already frenzied crowd was pushed into sheer delirium when the mighty bassist stepped on stage with HOT FOR TEACHER and ripped through a white-hot set featuring “Unchained,” “Dance the Night Away,” “Panama,” and countless other Van Halen hits. The band even performed VH II’s “Women In Love” in which afterwards Anthony jovially exclaimed, “Man, I haven’t done that song in twenty years [1983]!”

No other Van Halen tribute performs the technically complex music of Van Halen better than HOT FOR TEACHER, perhaps that’s why HFT has also been joined onstage by other rock legends Pat Travers, Brad Gillis and Joel Hoekstra (Night Ranger), and Joey Alves (Y&T), and has shared the evening’s stage with many greats including Eric Martin (Mr. Big), Peter Frampton, Dennis DeYoung (Styx), Nazareth, Great White, Hollywood All-Stars Chas West (Bonham/Lynch Mob), Carlos Cavazo (Quiet Riot), Jimmi Bain (Dio), Blues Traveler, Creedence Clearwater Revisited, Y&T, Night Ranger, Pat Travers, Tesla and countless others!

HOT FOR TEACHER was also featured in the book, “Everybody Wants Some, the Van Halen Saga” by Ian Christie, magazines such as FHM, news periodicals such as The Contra Costa Times, The San Francisco Chronicle and The San Jose Mercury News (and their related papers). In 2008, HFT was voted Best Tribute Band in the SF Bay area by the East Bay Express and became the first tribute ever invited to perform at the prestigious NAMM Show, the National Association of Music Merchants in Anaheim, CA and is now an annual part of the event. “Some people go to the party, we are the party!”

In 2014, HFT performed a benefit for the wife of Sammy Hagar’s Wabo drummer David Lauser aptly named Liza 2.0. The band played a full Red Rocker Experience set with David that included Brad Gillis and Josh Ramos.

HOT FOR TEACHER also appears on local performance market television programming including

Comcast's CC Rocks and Reality Check and in a variety of television advertising commercials. HFT is also a regular on radio stations such as San Francisco's 107.7 "The Bone", San Jose's 98.5 KFOX, and Los Angeles' KLOS 95.5 (on the syndicated Mark and Brian Show), and in a multitude of other rock radio markets spanning America's northern and southern borders from Nebraska to Hawaii.

So, if one hell of a good 'ole time is what you're after? Then you 'ought to come out, shake it, "Jump" and "Dance the Night Away" and experience the "Best of Both Worlds" with HOT FOR TEACHER, the Van Halen Experience.

Band Note: After nearly 5 years at the helm as the Director of the Guitar Institute of Technology (GIT), part of Hollywood's Musician's Institute (MI) Jude Gold recently had to pull back to being a part-time staffer in order to "tour the World" with the legendary Jefferson Starship; also leading to a part-time, infrequent status with HFT.

Gold is also known for his strong writing abilities as the Los Angeles Editor of Guitar Player magazine, and for touring and recording with BX3, the band in which he played lead guitar for the absolutely over-the-top, rock and jazz star bassists Billy Sheehan (David Lee Roth & Mr. Big), Stu Hamm (Joe Satriani), and Jeff Berlin (Allan Holdsworth – a one-time mentor to EVH). Jude has also been featured with famed Broadway actress/singer Kristin Chenoweth on The Tonight Show, Jimmy Kimmel, and Piers Morgan.