

DELTA GROOVE

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TERRY HANCK

Terry Hanck was born in 1944 in Chicago, IL, but raised in the suburbs. After high school he began dividing his time between Chicago and California. A month before his 21st birthday Terry decided to take up the sax because as he puts it, "I needed another way not to make any money!" He made the permanent move to California in 1967 settling first in Orange County, but later relocated to San Francisco towards the end of '69. His first band came together in Berkeley in 1970, the Grayson Street Houserockers, which for a brief time featured legendary Chicago blues guitarist Luther Tucker. Eventually, Terry's soulful sax caught the incisive ears of renowned bandleader Elvin Bishop, who personally asked him to join his band on two occasions – once in '72 and again in '75 – before Terry finally accepted his third invitation in '77. Hanck toured with his band for 10 years and was even featured on Bishop's classic album "Struttin' My Stuff," which included the chart-topping smash hit "Fooled Around And Fell In Love." But a decade on the road with Bishop eventually left Terry longing to pursue his own musical aspirations, so in 1987 they amicably parted ways.

Around the turn of the millennium Terry crossed paths with Norwegian guitarist Chris "The Kid" Andersen. Terry's introduction to "The Kid" took place at the now defunct Muddy Waters blues club in Oslo where Andersen was a part of the regular house band. As it turns out, Terry was between guitar players and Kid was yearning to come to California, so when Terry extended an invitation to join his band, Kid accepted and made the move to the U.S. He remained in Terry's band for 4 years before accepting an offer by Charlie Musselwhite, a gig that lasted until he was later asked to replace departing guitarist Little Charlie Baty in the now rechristened Rick Estrin & The Nightcats. The bond between Terry and Kid however still continues to this day, as Andersen has appeared on all of Terry's recordings since 2002.

For his latest project "Look Out!," Terry has assembled a tightly woven outfit featuring top tier talent from the West Coast. Ace guitarist Kid Andersen is once again on hand lending not only his incredible six-string attack to the proceedings, but also his engineering wizardry courtesy of his own Greaseland Studios. Also highlighted is current guitarist Johnny Cat, who replaced Andersen back in 2004. Rounding out the rhythm section is drummer Butch Cousins, along with bassist Tim Wagar, replacing Terry's longtime friend and bandmate Michael "Fly" Brooks who unfortunately passed away on September 20, 2010. Additionally the album features Nightcats' bassist Lorenzo Farrell, the multi-talented Bob Welsh on piano and B-3, and Dennis Dove on backing vocals as well as drums on "Girl, Girl, Girl." At 66, Terry Hanck is singing better and playing better than he ever has. He's delivered his strongest album yet - chock full of swinging grooves, inspired musicianship, as well as witty and insightful lyrics. It's no wonder he's been twice recognized in recent years with Blues Music Award nominations in 2009 and 2011. Even his ol' pal Elvin Bishop recently invited him back to take part in the live recordings for his new CD "Raisin' Hell Revue." And with the muscle of a full-fledged record label now behind him for support, there's no telling what the future may hold. So LOOK OUT!... 'cause Terry Hanck is on the move and he's headed to a town near you!