

# Music Scene

- As a session - concert musician - producer - and studio owner of 35 + years, Dan O'Brien of Hurricane Pass Recording Studio will be giving recording tips, reviewing CD's - local acts, and interviewing musical personalities, local and national. . He will be working closely, with the good folks at Timez Out on some interesting promotions and workshops that we will keep you posted on. Above all, Dan hopes his new column peaks our readers musical interest and perhaps helps musicians in our area.

Needless to say if you are a musician in the area with aspirations of greatness or just have the desire to play your heart out, contact Timez Out if you want to be reviewed, record, edited, or produced by Dan O'Brien and Hurricane Pass Recording Studios [info@timezout.com](mailto:info@timezout.com)

## Three great local bands

**Johnny Charro** for more than 30 years has been entertaining audiences throughout the south, giving them the kind of musical selections conducive to dancing and high energy entertainment. Charro's musical roots are based in rhythm and blues and rock and roll, and are excellent in delivering ballads



**Johnny Charro**

that touch the heart. Johnny Charro is the longest surviving member of Tampa Bay nightlife and continues to entertain on a regular basis. High energy, superb showmanship, and quality vocals best describe Johnny's performance. Charro's musical repertoire ranges from the 50s to today's most popular tunes.

Charro is considered to be the premier entertainer in Tampa Bay. Audiences have followed Johnny from venue to venue, showing the dedication that has made him the most beloved act in Tampa Bay nightlife history.

His band consists of Roy on the guitar, Sean at the keyboard and Russell on the drums. They do amazing work with a wide variety of music including Rock & Roll, Oldies, Latin Music, Country, Soul, Contemporary, Easy Listening, and Current Popular Hits!

Johnny has delved into song writing as well, and has co written a tune with fellow Ybor friend John Centinarro, entitled "Viva Ybor". The song is being released on Akashic Records this summer. It is also being featured in the motion picture "Real Premonition". Charro is currently touring in support of the song, making appearances throughout the Tampa Bay area and central Florida.

Great Places, Great Food, Great Entertainment with Johnny Charro. Johnny appreciates everyone who comes to see him. All E-mail answered ASAP.

Sunday, March 12, 2006 -- Johnny Charro will be playing at the Cuban Club in Ybor City from 3:00pm until 7:00pm. It's an open party, so come and enjoy! For more information see Pat or Johnny! Email us at [info@johnnycharro.com](mailto:info@johnnycharro.com). We will get back with you as soon as possible

Taverna's Toscana  
Phone: 727.781.3456  
Greek // Italian Cuisine & Great Pizzas & Home-Made Deserts  
2900 Alt 19 & Alderman  
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Web Site: [www.taverna-toscana.com](http://www.taverna-toscana.com)

Time: 7:30 pm - 11:00 pm

JR's Restaurant & Lounge

Phone: 813.855.1052

3780 Tampa Road

Oldsmar, FL

Time: 7:30 pm - 12:00 am

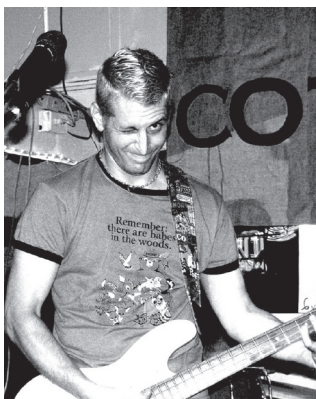
Good show, Great Singer, Love the Dancing and enjoy watching the people having a great time..... My personal option!

### The Stick Martin Show

The Stick Martin Show formed on the 28th day of the eleventh month, in the year 2003 AD. It was in the county of Pasco that they met, aahhhh yes in the sunny state of Florida. Five transplanted musically proficient nomads met through tones unknown.

Mr. Stick Martin will ignite your brain lava with his lyrical genius, and he is sure to get you off your seat. Stick, fresh off the L-train circuit in NYC moved to Florida with a Suitcase, Guitar, and a BIG box of CDS in his hand. And then a MIRACLE...

HE MET THREE OF THE COOLEST, MOST AWESOME MUSICIANS! The Stick Martin Show will be releasing their album entitled "Black Samurai" on April 1, 2006. The release party will be held at "The Dunedin Brewery" 9pm 937 Douglas Ave. Dunedin 34698 (727) 739-0606. While recording the album in 2001 the band ran into difficult times half way through recording. So each song



on the CD has tracks record five years ago and tracks that were recorded last December. Some songs have guitar solos that literally

took five years to record.

Eric Harlow- HE PLAYS THE BASS GUITAR WITH BOTH HANDS! THERE HAVE BEEN MANY TIMES AT MANY DIFFERENT PLACES THAT SOME PEOPLE HAVE SAID- IN NOT SO ROUND ABOUT WAYS THAT HIS TWO HANDED STYLE IS JUST AS GOOD AS SOME OTHERS THAT THEY HAVE HEARD.

Tim Cambell, on the drum kit. He's a criminal mastermind when it comes to the bass, snare and hi-hat. He likes holding hands and long walks on the beach. Tim is a real ball of energy behind the drums.

Shaggy is roadie number one. He's been with the band since the start. He helps us carry all our equipment. We don't pay him very much, but a lot of times he gets free beer, and sometimes he even gets to talk to pretty girls. He also sings some back up vocals

in E. Harlow's famous Green Elephant Etude in A Minor. He's called Shaggy because he kind of looks like Shaggy from Scoobie Doo.

Tuesdays Tarpon Springs - DC's Downtown 8PM, Thursdays Dunedin Brewery 9pm, Thursdays Fat Daddy's 9pm.

### Strange Brew....

In the month of February we had the pleasure of meeting and enjoying a band called "Strange Brew". You have to know them to understand that the name fits the band perfectly, for all members of the band are Doctors and not just Doctors but Surgeons. Talk about a way to release energy from your daytime job!

At a benefit for The USF Suncoast Gerontology Center, on the back patio, we worked our way through the crowd, and on stage...

Dave "The Ripper" Berry - Lead Guitar, Vocals, originally from Philadelphia, PA and came to Florida in 1982. He started playing Guitar at the age of 14



and has played in many rock bands over the past 40 years.

David "T-Bird" Lucas - Bass Guitar, vocals- Originally from Cleveland, OH, came to Florida in 1985. He started playing bass at the age of 10. He sings lead and background vocals and plays 6 and 12 string guitar, mandolin and banjo.

Scott "Stix" Ray - Drums - Originally from Danville, IL. He studied percussion for six years under legendary Big Band drummer, George "Bones" Bacon.

Patrick "Professor" Conway - Keyboards, Vocals - Originally from Easton, PA and came to Florida in 1981. He played the baritone horn and trombone in a circus band for 4 summers; he also toured for 3 years and played in a top 40/showband "Centerfold".

"Jumpin" Jack Rashkin - Rhythm Guitar, Harmonica - Originally from Bloomsburg, PA and came to Florida in 1964. He is a self-taught musician and also does vocals.

As we heard them play we could not believe how much like the original artist they sounded, their instrumental talents



are overwhelming. The band plays a mix of blues/rock and some of the artists they cover are Muddy Waters, The Kinks, Eric Clapton, The Rolling Stones, Bob Dylan, Chuck Berry and The Doors.

In November 2003 Dr. Dave Berry joined Dr. Scott Ray and Dr. Jack Rashkin in the studio. Shortly thereafter, Dr. Dave Lucas was approached to join the three in rehearsals and he brought along his long-standing partner from The Quivering Rhythm Hounds, Dr. Pat Conway, and Strange Brew was born.

To add Strange Brew to your entertainment line up, to have them perform at an up and coming Benefit or to find out their performance locations, contact their business manager Mary Ellen @ 727 410-2336 or [maryellen@1strangebrew.com](mailto:maryellen@1strangebrew.com)