

2017 Digital Release - The Ring Of Fire: A Johnny Cash Experience

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Starring: **ANDY VICKERS**

As: **JOHNNY CASH**

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About: ● From 2007 - Our first performance at our highschool talent show to 2017 - A highly successful tour across Ontario performing entire concerts with Johnny Cash's only drummer and longtime band mate of 37 years WS "Fluke" Holland.

- 5 Star Rated and Reviewed 5 Piece Band
- The advantage of youth with the group being under 30 years old
- The Look, The Sound, The Grit and Passion of Young Johnny Cash

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Testimonial:

- **'If you are a Johnny Cash & The Tennessee 3 fan do yourself a favor and check out The Ring of Fire: A Johnny Cash Experience with Andy Vickers. If you want to see the real deal....look no further, they are certainly it.'**
- WS Holland; Drummer for Johnny Cash & The Tennessee 3
- **'The Ring of Fire is a country lover's dream concert! This was an as-real-as-it-gets experience!'**
Snapd Magazine Hamilton Ont
- **"Was that Johnny Cash? Vickers' voice sounded identical to the legend's Voice.."**
Lacie Williamson, The Dunville Chronicle

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**Ring Of Fire
With WS Holland & Ron Haney**



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BAND BIOGRAPHY



The Ring of Fire: A Johnny Cash Experience established in early 2006 while the original members were attending high-school. The inception started accidentally because of an unfortunate sporting injury suffered by Andy Vickers, ROF front man. After two operations to reconstruct his knee, he quickly realized that a new hobby was in good order. He purchased his first acoustic guitar from a local pawn shop in the group's home town of Hamilton Ontario. While teaching himself how to form basic chords, his mother followed the sound throughout their home and discovered Andy strumming away. She burst out in laughter and facetiously said "take it easy there, JOHNNY CASH!". He gathered the information and learned the hit song Folsom Prison Blues that evening. The first gig the group performed was the high-school talent show. Sticking out from the rest because of the odd music the 16 year olds chose to play, they were offered a backyard party gig. Then, playing nursing homes and retirement centre's for a number of countless free performances. That developed into bar and pub shows all while taking every audience member by total surprise. Like every other unstoppable force, the young group "Steam Engined" their way into the hearts of Canadians. From Newfoundlanders to British Columbians, Ring Of Fire is focused on one objective; to relive the memory of a country music legend's concert while producing what is, a Johnny Cash experience.

Busting out foot lights, delivering songs like no other Johnny Cash tribute and producing the highest level of excitement, Andy Vickers and the musicians involved bring true life to the music and style that made Johnny Cash famous. With the group being younger than most, they emulate the golden era of Johnny Cash in the 50's and 60's. As tribute artists, they're able to bring a unique edge that's attracting the next generation of Johnny Cash lovers and encourages even the most mature fan to wander down memory lane.

The group's repertoire ranges from the "live versions" of Cash's songs that started a new genre in music like I Walk the Line, and A Boy Named Sue all the way to the most recent from the American Recording albums produced by Rick Rubin.

The group recently just completed a highly successful tour across Ontario performing entire concerts with Johnny Cash's long time band mate and only Drummer for over 37 years – WS "Fluke" Holland.

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THE BAND

Andy Vickers – Johnny Cash has fronted the band since its inception in 2006. His baritone voice, guitar picking, and even the uncanny "cash" mannerisms recreate the Johnny Cash Experience.

Musical Interest: Outlaw Country, Classic Rock

Instrument: Custom built 1959 Johnny Cash

Signature Gibson J200 *Replica*

Years in Music: 10 years

Hobby: In between gigs and time off, you can find Andy fishing local waters with his two dogs Porter & Lucy.

“New” Dave Pearson – Lead Guitar has been with the band since early 2017. It just wouldn't be authentic without the "Tic-tac" sound and flawless demonstration of Luther Perkins and Bob Wootton's iconic playing style.

Musical Interest: 70's and 80's Rock

Instrument: Fender Guitar

Years In Music: 8 years Professionally, 14 years collectively

Hobby: Where the soldering gun is, you will typically find Dave. He is passionate about tinkering with amps, guitars, and pedals. There isn't much in the way to stop him from wiring a "Super Guitar"

“Polish” Mike Myszkowski – Bass has just recently joined the band and plays the bass. He provides the booming low end that gives you the quintessential sound pioneered Marshall Grant

Musical Interest: Anything and everything!

Instrument: Fender, F Bass,

Years in music: 11 professionally, 20 collectively

Hobby: During his busy schedule, Mike will make time to read up to 5 different books at a time. He relaxes into his Yoga routine and actually enjoys hiking.

Dave Johnson – Drums has performed with the band since 2010. His ability to recreate the "train rhythm" that made W.S Holland "The Father of Drums" adds the final piece to Create the Perfect Johnny Cash Experience.

Musical Interest: Prog Rock

Instrument: Mapexx Drum kit

Years In Music: 9 years professionally 13 years collectively

Hobby: Dave is an amateur brew master. On his spare time, you will see him listening to his favourite band "RUSH" and creating his very own varieties of beer.

Nik Hirst – Keyboard is our newest member of the family. His ability to recreate the Trumpets on the hit song Ring of Fire, the big band horns in Ghost Riders and the saloon style piano that rounded off Johnny Cash's sound by Earl Poole Ball.

Musical Interest: Prog Rock

Instrument: Nord Stage 2 Keyboard

Years In Music: 13 years collectively

Hobby: If there is a human encyclopedia of music, it is Nik. He loves researching everything about his passion which makes him not only the youngest in the group but probably the smartest.

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TESTIMONIALS

- "If you go see The Ring Of Fire: A Johnny Cash Experience with Andy Vickers and you don't have to pinch yourself at least three times during the show to remind yourself you're not at a Johnny Cash concert....you don't know much about Cash. We have the opportunity to work with some very fine Johnny Cash tribute bands and artists in several countries. There are some of these artists that preserve the legacy of John with a sincere dedication that simply stand out above the rest. The Ring of Fire: A Johnny Cash Experience from Hamilton, Ontario (Canada) is one such band. Featuring Andy Vickers on lead vocals, this band brings back so many memories to me of my nearly 4 decades of working side by side with Johnny Cash. Their dedication to John's music and legacy is a brilliant testimony that comes across with their amazing respect to honoring The Man in Black. If you are a Johnny Cash & The Tennessee 3 fan do yourself a favor and check out The Ring of Fire: A Johnny Cash Experience with Andy Vickers. If you want to see the real deal...look no further, they are certainly it."

– WS "Fluke" Holland; Drummer for Johnny Cash & The Tennessee Three

- "GREAT JOB for last night in Stephenville! You might not have had June Carter but neither did Johnny for half of his Career...You did Awesome! (from the guy who opened for you...)" **Jason Benoit, CCMA Award Winning Artist. Fox River, Newfoundland**
- "I had nothing but a great time working with you guys for two nights back to back. I recommend to all to take in the magic of the Ring of fire, the best Johnny cash you will ever EXPERIENCE! The next time you guys come to town King Street Percussion will be waiting for you. **Rene Martin, King Street Percussion**
- "Thanks for including "Hurt" and "Rusty Cage" in your set. As one of the younger audience members (From Orillia) those are songs that introduced me to Johnny Cash." **Alex Lusty from Orillia, Ontario**
- "Vickers' voice sounded identical to the legend's Voice.."
Lacie Williamson, The Dunnville Chronicle
- "The Johnny Cash experience was amazing. These guys are real pros. They put on a great show and all our customers were very satisfied. We would hire them again!!! Long live Johnny Cash." **Mike St Denis – Windsor Tavern Manager, Vankleek Hill Ontario**

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PHOTOS



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When you Book The Ring Of Fire: A Johnny Cash Experience, you are not hiring another tribute band. You are getting a true Johnny Cash Experience.

Photo: Andy Vickers With Ron Haney (Rockabilly Guitarist & Manager of WS Holland Band)



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ABOUT THE SHOW

- 2 Hour Concert Performance – Two, one hour sets with 20 minute Intermission.
- Over 30 of the greatest and most popular Johnny Cash songs.
- Focusing on the “live” renditions of the hit songs during the incredible span of Cash’s 5 decade career.
- Customizing the concert set list to cater to our audience and venue atmosphere.
- Furthering the concert experience with astounding stage presence, audience interaction, and the musicians sharply dressed in classic attire representing the golden age of Show Business.
- Based out of **Hamilton Ontario**. The group has crossed the country several times delivering this “as real as it gets” Johnny Cash Experience far and wide from their hometown in their Travel-Tour Bus.
- With the musicians all being under 30 years old, they have the advantage of youth on their side and the element of surprise to captivate and accurately display the high energy and true grit required when emulating Johnny Cash & The Tennessee 3 band.
- Supreme instrumental accuracy leaves no room for questioning that this group has studied endless hours of footage to maintain and uphold their earned reputation of being Canada’s Leading Johnny Cash Concert Experience.