

An Evening with Johnny Lobo
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Johnny Lobo is a life long career entertainer/composer/musician and child prodigy who began playing the piano at the tender age of 8. Johnny's parents were living in Germany at that time and encouraged him to learn classical piano. At age ten Johnny played his first real live gig when he won a national piano contest and played Tchaikovsky's Piano Concerto # 1 with the Kaiserslautern Germany Symphony Orchestra.

Johnny comes from a long line of talented family members including his grandmother, Rachel who was an actress and ballet dancer in Russia. His father, Irv played piano and sang opera as a child. Johnny's mother, Alice was an accomplished painter, sculptor, poet, and violinist. She learned to play piano by watching over her son's shoulder when he took lessons.

When Johnny was 12 his father retired from the military and returned to the U.S. to live in Ft. Smith Arkansas where Johnny abandoned his classical roots and began playing Rock N' Roll and Rhythm and Blues with local Arkansas Bands. At age 16 he joined regional recording artists The Spires of Oxford. The 'Spires' had a record on the Billboard top 100 charts and often went to Memphis to record. Johnny loved the Memphis recording scene and moved to Memphis to become part of the Memphis Blues Sound which is still a major component of his musical and vocal style.

He began writing songs, playing in local Memphis night clubs, and doing recording sessions in many of the Memphis studios. This gave him a chance to meet some of the top entertainers of the time including; Elvis Presley, B.J. Thomas, Leon Russell, Joe Cocker, and Ronnie Millsap. He met 'B. B. King Band' saxophonist Cato T. Walker at a recording session and formed the band 'Watauga Avenue' touring successfully on the Eastern Seaboard and Canada for 2 yrs. This was the first of many touring bands for Johnny including The New Beats', the Las Vegas based 'Gail Monticello Show', and Johnny's own band Southern Magic recording artists 'The Memphis Rockers'.

Today's Johnny Lobo "One man band Show" is a culmination of his years of experience on stages from little Memphis Blues bars to Vegas Show Rooms. It is an artful mixture of a variety of musical styles to please all tastes, held together by Johnny's gutsy vocals , unforgettable keyboard playing and complimented by his expert use of the latest technology to provide a full band sound with a solid dance beat.

Always the showman, Johnny will Rock N' Roll you, amaze you with flaming key board riffs, make you laugh with his antics, and set a romantic mood with haunting renditions of popular ballads done in his unique vocal style. Don't miss an evening with Johnny Lobo. It's just plain fun.