



## ***“CLASSIC DEEP PURPLE LIVE”***

**PERFORMED BY GLEN HUGHES**

**KESWICK THEATRE**

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 7**

**Glenn Hughes**, former bassist and singer of **Deep Purple**, known to millions as the ‘Voice of Rock’, **Rock and Roll Hall of Fame** inductee, and the current front man for rock super group **Black Country Communion** is pleased to announce that he will be performing Deep Purple only material with his *“CLASSIC DEEP PURPLE LIVE”* at the **Keswick Theatre** in **Glenside, PA** on **Friday, September 7**.

The tour promises to be dynamic, a turn-back-the-clocks, two-hour live extravaganza homage to his tenure in MK 3 and MK 4 incarnations of **Deep Purple** - one of music history’s most seminal and influential rock and roll groups.

"I'm excited to be touring the *“Classic Deep Purple Live”* in the US this year. I first toured *Classic Deep Purple Live* in Australia and New Zealand last year and it went down like a storm. We’re also touring the show throughout South America and international festivals throughout the summer. By the time we tour the US, then the UK in October, we’ll be on fire.”

As well as Glenn on lead vocals and bass guitar, the touring band also features **Soren Anderson** (guitar), **Jesper Bo Hansen** (keyboards) and **Fer Escobedo** (drums)

**Deep Purple** took a quantum leap when the then 20-year-old **Glenn Hughes** was seconded from British funk-rock outfit **Trapeze** in mid-1973. As bassist and co-vocalist (with David Coverdale), he helped steer the legendary rock group in the progressive direction of ***Burn*** (1974), ***Stormbringer*** (1974) and ***Come Taste the Band*** (1975), while touring the world for three years.

His solo debut album ***Play Me Out*** (1977) preceded later albums with **Black Sabbath** and **Gary Moore**. The last 25 years have seen a rush of solo work and collaborations for the ‘Voice of Rock’ including mega hit ***America: What Time Is Love?*** with the KLF in 1992, appearances with **Joe Satriani / G3** and four critically acclaimed top selling studio albums released between 2010 and 2018 with rock super group **Black Country Communion** featuring **Joe Bonamassa, Derek Sherinian & Jason Bonham**. Glenn was also inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame in 2016 as a member of Deep Purple.

Taking a page and inspiration from the Blackmore/Coverdale/Hughes/Lord/Paice Deep Purple MK 3 **California Jam** and **Made in Europe** era, the upcoming live show features the Purple classics ***Burn, Stormbringer, Might Just Take Your Life*** and ***Mistreated***, amongst others, plus tracks previously never performed live by the original MK 3 line-up.

Classic material from the **Tommy Bolin** MK 4 period is also featured, including ***Getting’ Tighter*** – Hughes’ funk rock extravaganza extraordinaire, plus the brooding **Coverdale /Hughes**

masterpiece ***You Keep On Moving***.

Deep Purple MK 2 hits ***Highway Star*** and ***Smoke on the Water*** are also featured, because, as Glenn points out, "I did play both these numbers during my time with Purple and they were mainstays of the live set when I was in the band. As my manager pointed out to me, the first time ***Smoke on The Water*** was ever played live at Madison Square Garden was when David and I were in the band in 1974. I love singing ***Highway Star***, too."

Continues Glenn, "A few years back, I cut a barnstorming version of ***Highway Star*** for the **Machine Head** anniversary tribute album with my good friends **Steve Vai** and **Chad Smith**. I'm not playing anything on the forthcoming tour that I didn't either play live or record in the studio with Purple."

**GLENN HUGHES PERFORMS CLASSIC DEEP PURPLE LIVE** is the first time Glenn has performed a show solely of Deep Purple material since his last show with Purple at the Liverpool Empire on March 15<sup>th</sup> 1976. Not one wallow in nostalgia, hence his extensive and varied career post-Purple, Glenn feels the time is right to acknowledge and pay homage to his past, his musical legacy, and, most importantly, to one of rock and roll's most acclaimed, influential and successful rock bands.

"I can still sing the songs, in some ways even better than I did in the 70's," says Glenn. I can still perform them with the same energy that was on the stage back then, too. I feel that the time is right. It's fun to get back into character of my days with Purple. I'm looking back at my life and I want to remember the good stuff. I'm incredibly excited to perform these songs, as they helped define the genre. I can assure you, the new show is going to blow your mind."



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