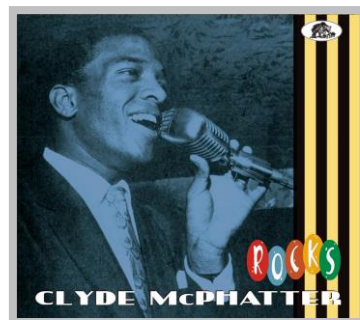


BEAR FAMILY RECORDS



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Artist **Clyde McPhatter**
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- **Long overdue two-part documentary on Bear Family dedicated to one of the greatest Gospel, Rhythm & Blues, Soul and Rock & Roll singers: Clyde McPhatter (1932 - 1972).**
- **On 'Clyde McPhatter Rocks' producer Nico Feuerbach has compiled the rousing up-tempo numbers, 'The Ballads Of' is dedicated to the great ballads of the tenor singer.**
- **He was one of the first to fuse the harmony vocals of gospel music with the hot grooves of rhythm 'n' blues and is considered a pioneer of soul music and an outstanding rocker.**
- **'Rocks' collects his best fast recordings from his time with Billy Ward & The Dominoes, the Drifters and from his solo career.**
- **Detailed liner notes by music historian Bill Dahl in the extensive accompanying booklet and - as always with Bear Family - carefully restored recordings in the best possible quality.**

It's not much of an exaggeration to say that soul music commenced when Clyde McPhatter opened his mouth and let fly. His groundbreaking hybrid of rhythm and blues and gospel as melismatic lead tenor with Billy Ward's Dominoes predated even that of Ray Charles, opening the door to a whole new musical genre. And could Clyde ever rock! Bear Family's new overview of McPhatter's seminal upbeat catalog follows him from his early salad days fronting The Drifters on Atlantic Records, when they hit big on the R&B charts with *Money Honey* and *Honey Love*, through his solo Atlantic stormers (*A Lover's Question* was a huge 1958 seller) and then his splendid M-G-M and Mercury sides (including his '62 smash *Lover Please*). Backed by stellar studio bands that included sax masters Sam 'The Man' Taylor, King Curtis, and Boots Randolph (who blows up a storm on Clyde's Nashville cover of Fats Domino's *I'm Gonna Be A Wheel Someday*), McPhatter was a soul pioneer and a world-class rocker who merits far more credit for his gargantuan contributions than he receives.

Clyde McPhatter was born in 1932. Disappointed by life, penniless, addicted to alcohol and depressed, he died at the age of only 39. Already a legend during his lifetime, he was denied great commercial success. He left behind an enormous musical legacy with recordings from a period of 22 years!

He was the first musician ever to be inducted twice into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame, first as a solo artist and later as the lead singer of the Drifters.

We have compiled Clyde McPhatter's great ballads on BCD17615 'The Ballads of Clyde McPhatter', the supplemental album.

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TRACKLISTING:

CD:

Let The Boogie Woogie Roll **Clyde McPhatter & The Drifters:** Thirty Days **Clyde McPhatter & The Drifters:** Money Honey
Lover Please I Do Believe Take A Step Deep Sea Ball What'd I Say **Clyde McPhatter & The Drifters:** What'cha Gonna Do
Rockin' Robin Hey Love Three Thirty Three A Lover's Question Up To My Ears In Tears Come What May
(You've Got Everything) From A To Z Such A Night (Mercury) **Clyde McPhatter & The Drifters:** Bip Bam Same Time, Same Place
Twice As Nice Lovey Dovey I'm Gonna Be A Wheel Someday I Can't Stand Up Alone Don't Let Go Little Bitty Pretty One
You're For Me Ta Ta Money Honey (Mercury) Since You've Been Gone Climb That Mountain Of Love Stop
I'm Movin' On This Is Not Goodbye

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