

Album- DVD & 2-CD: Jumpin' Time

Artist: The Time Jumpers

Label: Crosswind

That wonderful 11 piece band that is made up of some of Music City's top musicians, the Time Jumpers, are back with another music collection. This time they are recorded live on May 1, 2006 at their Monday night venue, the Station Inn, Nashville, Tennessee. This awesome two hour program is available as both a DVD and a 2CD set. It is filled with incredible music, where the musicians show their love of the music and respect for each other. To put it succinctly, they constantly catch the great Karma from each other and the music shows it. The sound and the video filming are a top class job and both the video and CD set of 26 cuts are a must for both fans and collectors. The video also has short enjoyable interviews and the audio set includes the lyrics to all the vocals.

The band (alphabetically) are Dennis Crouch- bass, Ranger Doug Green- rhythm guitar and lead vocals, Aubrey Haynie- fiddle, John Hughey- steel guitar, Carolyn Martin- lead and harmony vocals, Andy Reiss- lead guitar, Dawn Sears- lead and harmony vocals, Kenny Sears- fiddle and lead vocals, Joe Spivey- fiddle and harmony vocals, Jeff Taylor- accordion and harmony vocals and Rick Vanaughdrums.

The album opens instrumentally with Any Reiss' own *Stompin' at the Station*. Other instrumentals are Andy's *Pig Dog Hop, Fidoodlin'* from the Spade Cooley book, Jeff Taylor's *Jumpin' Time, My Weakness is Too Strong* with John Hughey in the spotlight and *Caravan* from Duke Ellington. Others from the great big bands with super vocals are Fats Waller and Andy Razaf's *Honeysuckle Rose* from Benny Goodman, *Along the Navajo Trail* from Gene Krupa and *All of Me* from Jimmy Dorsey and Helen O'Connell. Cindy Walker gave Bob Wills and now the Time Jumpers give us *Sugar Moon, It's All Your Fault, Blues for Dixie* and *Cherokee Maiden*. Other tunes from Bob Wills are Kenny Sears' vocal *Bring it on Down to My House*, Ranger Doug Green warbling *My Confession* and Carolyn Martin's vocals on *My Window Faces the South* and Fred Rose's *Roly Poly*. From pop music Dawn Sears is heard doing *Write Myself a Letter* and *Smile*, Carolyn singing Bobby Troup's *Route 66* and the Gershwin's *Embraceable You*. Other gems are Dawn doing Jeannie Seely's *Leavin' and Sayin' Goodbye*, Pee Wee King's *Bonaparte's Retreat* and Mickey Newbury's *Sweet Memories*. Dawn's husband Kenny remembers Gene Autry and western music with Kennedy and Carr's *South of the Border* and Doug pays tribute to Elton Britt with *Give me a Pinto Pal*.

Either or both, the DVD and the 2CD set can be ordered from either of two web sites, www.the timejumpers.com or www.live-recordings.com

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