

The DeSotos

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“A powerful blend of rock-infused country blues”

The DeSotos have cemented their place as New Zealand's leading exponents of the Americana / country blues genres following the release of two albums that have been universally embraced by the critics.

2008's "Cross Your Heart" was voted Manu Taylor's no 1 New Zealand album of the year, and the brand new "Your Highway For Tonight" is receiving glowing 4 star reviews nationally.

This album features 14 original tracks written by the band and has had a US release via Mystery Street Records as well as New Zealand.

Both albums have supplied the theme and continuity music to the TVNZ South and North series' as presented by Marcus Lush.

And the live show steps it up a notch further – 4 part harmonies, grungy Gretsch guitar, Hammond organ with Leslie, and a rock solid rhythm section make for a tight and dynamic live sound that is as exciting as it is unique.

Feature shows / events so far in 2011 have included:

- Opening for US band **Galaxie 500** New Zealand tour (October)
- Fiji International Jazz & Blues Festival
- National Jazz Festival - Tauranga
- Blues, Brews & BBQs, Mt Maunganui, main stage - headline act
- Auckland Seafood Festival, Viaduct Harbour, main stage
- Cornwall Park Concert Series
- Kaiaua Wine & Food Festival
- 6 date national album launch tour in June
- Live appearances on TVNZ Good Morning Show, Jim Mora's National Radio show and Radio Live

The DeSotos are:

Paul Gurney - lead vocals, guitars
Stuart McIntyre - bass, vocals
Ron Stevens - Hammond, keyboards, vocals
Michael Burrows - drums, vocals

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