

RAISING THE DEAD



The crowd. The vibe. THE MUSIC!

There's nothing like a Grateful Dead concert! For over 50 years, the music of the Dead has enchanted audiences from San Francisco to Egypt, Denmark to Detroit.

Raising The Dead is Michigan's premiere Grateful Dead tribute - an ensemble of professional musicians recreating the energy, harmony, and intricate arrangements of the original jam band. The music spans styles including country western, blues, rock, R & B, and bluegrass, accented by covers of Bob Dylan, The Beatles, The Rolling Stones, Chuck Berry, Merle Haggard, The Band and more.

Raising The Dead shows feature an ideal balance of tribute and original interpretation, with the perfect feel and flow to keep the audience on the dance floor all night.

Deadheads are everywhere, and they can't wait for the next show. Because they know each one will be different, they keep coming to see Raising The Dead, night after night.



Van Andel Arena, Grand Rapids 2023



Little Caesars Arena, Red Wings Grateful Dead Night, 2023

The Band



Bill Butler - Bass & Vocals

Bill started playing the bass guitar professionally at the age of 15, and has made a career of it. Some of the local acts he's played in include Willie and the Whitewalls, Knockout, and Midnight Blue. Bill was the original bassist for The Killer Flamings.

He first became a big fan of west coast bands, especially the Grateful Dead, back in high school. He decided to put this band together to have fun and recreate the feeling of being at a Dead concert.

Matt Cole - Lead Guitar & Vocals

Matthew Cole is a graduate of Cleveland Institute of Music. Matt played professionally in New York City during the early '90's before moving back to the Detroit area. His extensive rig and exceptional skill recreates the sound and feel of Jerry Garcia's guitar playing and tone.



Chaim Tolwin - Drums



Chaim has been obsessed with rhythm from as early as he can remember and eventually began private drum lessons at nine years old. He continued his studies and played through grade school, eventually moving to New York City in 1994 where he delved into the ocean of global inspiration that the city had to offer. During the following 16 years in NYC as a full time drummer, Chaim studied with some legendary players, most notably Joe Morello (Dave Brubeck), Bernard Purdy, and Baba Ole Jagun (Fela Kuti) and played in a gazillion bands including The Asiko Afrobeat Orchestra, The One Tree Reggae Band, and his own acid jazz project, Mantis. In 2011 Chaim and his wife moved to the top of a mountain in the Catskills and delved deep into sound and rhythm wizardry, studying under intergalactic sound Luminaries such as John Medeski, John Billeau, Billy Martin and Cyro Baptista. During that time, Chaim also toured the tristate area with a number of local acts. In 2021 Chaim moved back to Michigan with his wife and two boys, where he continues to hone his craft, playing regularly with Raising the Dead, and other local groups.

Dave Martin - Guitar & Vocals

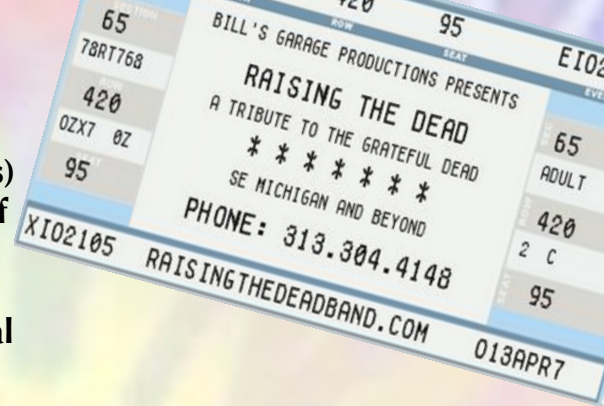
Dave Martin taught middle school choir in Taylor, MI for 23 years before retiring in 2021. Dave performs with various rock and jazz ensembles throughout Detroit and is currently the choir director at Grosse Ile Presbyterian Church. Dave has published three albums of his original songs, and co-manages RTD under the Shinyhead Music LLC. In 2012, Dave was named the Southern Great Lakes Symphony's Downriver Idol. A classically trained singer, Dave loves the opportunity to interpret The Grateful Dead's vast body of great American songs.



RTD is joined by the greatest keyboardists on the scene including Justin Lee, Alex Gauthier, Dave on Keys, and Woody Rose

The Songs

Raising The Dead plays an extensive setlist (well over 150 songs) that we're always expanding. We specialize in realizing some of the Dead's most difficult arrangements without losing the groove. Our sets are often seamless, each song morphing seamlessly into the next. RTD can play 2 sets a night for several shows without repeating a song, which brings the same fans back gig after gig. Here's some songs you might hear at a RTD show.



Bird Song

Casey Jones

I Know You Rider

Jack Straw

Black Throated Wind

Johnny B. Goode

Eyes of the World El Paso
Bertha

Cassidy

Big River Althea

Deal Franklin's Tower

Let It Grow

Dire Wolf

China Cat Sunflower

Candyman

Weather Report Suite

Truckin'

Goin' Down the Road Feelin' Bad

Feel Like A Stranger

Me and My Uncle

Terrapin Station

Sugar Magnolia

Brown Eyed Women

The Other One

Help On The Way

Mama Tried

Fire on the Mountain

Shakedown Street

One More Saturday Night



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The Venues



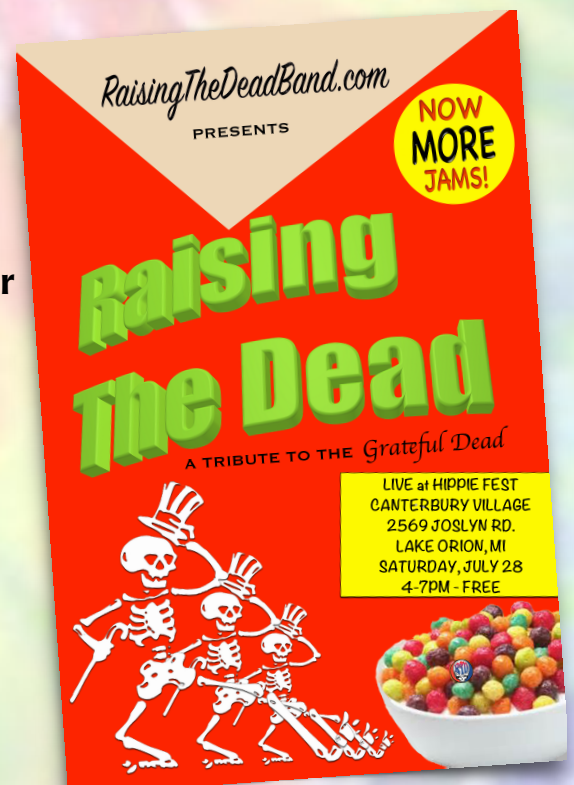
The Parliament Room at Otus Supply, December 2022

Raising The Dead has performed at these metro Detroit venues

- Arts Beats & Eats - Royal Oak
- Rock n' Rides - Royal Oak
- Little Caesars Arena - Detroit
- Comerica Park - Detroit
- Van Andel Arena - Grand Rapids
- Otus Supply - Ferndale
- Cadieux Cafe - Detroit
- Wyandotte Street Art Fair
- Russell Industrial Center - Detroit
- Canterbury Village - Lake Orion
- Taylor Botanical Garden and Conservatory - Taylor
- Bowlero - Royal Oak
- Brownies on the Lake - St. Clair Shores
- The Shelter at St. Andrew's Hall - Detroit
- Eastern Market Brewing Company
- Gibraltar Fairgrounds - Gibraltar

"Raising The Dead is not just another cover band. They are kind people and super talented musicians who put their own spin on already amazing songs. Good times and furious dancing should be expected when you go to a show, and you really should go to a show!"
- Katie Neill, Facebook

"Amazing show last night guys! I'll be looking forward to seeing as many shows as I can!! Keep it up!!"
- Hunter Helfrich, Facebook



Music and Video

To see Raising The Dead performing live, please visit raisingthedeadband.com

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"Sounds damn good boys. Dead men playing Dead. Keep on trucking!"
- TheDacat77, YouTube

Booking

To book Raising The Dead contact raisingthedeadband@gmail.com

Dave Martin
734-673-0307

Bill Butler
313-304-4148



The Rumpus Room in Chelsea, 2022



The Tangent Gallery, 2022

"I live in Chicago! You've got a great groove, sound, and vibe!" - Jay Goldsmith



"Great sound and great tempo. Old school upbeat sound." - Keith Jason



Live on WDIV from Comerica Park, 2019