

The Renaissance

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Mike Morgan as Jimmy Page



Matt Jernigan as Robert Plant



Adam Sandling as John Paul Jones

ZOSO

In February 1995, ZOSO, The Ultimate Led Zeppelin Experience was brought to Los Angeles, California. Bound and determined to create the most mesmerizing and accurate portrayal of the original band, each individual member was selected to portray both the image and playing styles of Robert Plant, Jimmy Page, John Bonham, and John Paul Jones. Together the quartet pays homage with its powerful and unmistakable Zeppelin sound.

Since its formation, ZOSO has kept up a rigorous schedule of dates in the Los Angeles area and throughout California and the Southwest United States. Their outstanding reputation and following has won them an award from Rock City News (L.A.) as the best tribute act in California and has also kept the band in constant demand. ZOSO has done three tours of the West Coast and in the fall of 1996 the band embarked on a 42-date tour of the Midwest in addition to a repeat Southwest U.S. tour.

After a short holiday break, the band set out on its first all out United States tour including Canada. Since its conception, ZOSO has played a remarkable 1700 shows (and counting) in just under eleven years. Their passion, musical ability, showmanship and "we don't cancel" attitude has made them America's #1 certified Led Zeppelin show.

If you missed Led Zeppelin in the 70s or are looking for a great chance to relive the Music, Magic and Mystery of Zeppelin, you *must* experience ZOSO. The sound and visual effects will astound you and bring you back to the "Hammer of Gods" career (from 1968-1980)

For more info on ZOSO, go to: www.zosoontour.net



**Concert
Connection
at the **ren**
Sept. 19,
8:00 PM**



Johnny Richards as John Bonham

Tribute Bands: Much More Than Just Elvis Impersonators

Though the Beatles most likely inspired the first tribute bands, it was singer Elvis Presley who arguably, (and obviously posthumously), almost singlehandedly destroyed the genre. For many years, theatres, nightclubs and concert halls were deluged with paunchy, badly-wigged wedding singers in ill-fitting sequined pant suits, warbling “Hound Dog” at the top of their lungs. Thankfully, due mostly to world-class groups such as Dark Star Orchestra, (The Grateful Dead), Zoso, (Led Zeppelin), Wish You Were Here, (Pink Floyd), and Stone’s Throw, (The Rolling Stones) the reputation of the tribute band has been restored.

Although they were initially created to honor the original bands, many tribute bands touring today have their own legions of devoted fans. Band names are often derived from a famous track or record album released by the original band – or based on a pun of the original name or the names of band members. Some other memorable and/or humorously named tribute bands include:

- Bjorn Again: ABBA
- AC/Dshe: AC/DC
- Beatallica: combining Beatles and Metallica
- The Dayglo Pirates: Jethro Tull
- Mandonna: all-male Madonna band
- No Way Sis: Oasis
- The E Street Shuffle: Bruce Springsteen and the E Street Band



AC/Dshe in concert



All You Need is Blood - Beatallica



AC/Dshe in concert



The Dayglo Pirates in Concert