



Gulf Shores, Alabama

Joey Arata Music

Classic Rock, Acoustic Folk & Fun!

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“From Buffett to Zeppelin, Widespread to The Who,
Dylan to the Dead, The Beatles to Zac Brown...a great
time will be had by all!”



Artist Bio

Joey has been singing and playing in public since the age of four, and playing professionally since 1974. He has toured extensively throughout the United States and Canada with rock, pop and country music acts and performed at a diverse array of venues...from local hotels and nightclubs, to major concert arenas and worldwide television. His Classic Rock & Acoustic stylings have always appealed to a wide audience, and he's just at home with a bunch of college kids on Spring Break as with a room full of Baby Boomers wanting to revisit the '70's.

Although Joey was born in Mobile, Alabama his professional music career began with a move to Memphis in 1974. After honing his skills locally for several years, he hit the road with a nationally-touring show band and never looked back. He toured with various musical acts for the next ten years throughout the eastern U.S. before settling in Tampa, Florida in 1984. While in Florida from 1984-1999, Joey was a member of several prominent regional bands and was named Instrumentalist of the Year in 1986 by the Florida Country Music Association.

1992 & 1993 brought Joey to the major concert stage as a member of country legend Lee Greenwood's band. He played acoustic, electric and pedal steel guitars and sang backing vocals...touring throughout the U.S. and performing for literally millions of fans live and on national and worldwide television.

Music has always been a central force in Joey's life, and remains so today. After moving back to Alabama in 2000, Joey played in and around Birmingham as a solo performer and with the award-winning jam band Possum. He also founded his own band, "500 Lbs. of Music", and played pedal steel guitar for several "Hayfest" and "Rollin' In The Holly" shows with Southeastern favorites "Rollin' In The Hay". Joey moved to Gulf Shores in 2005 and quickly became a regular solo performer at the area's top music venues. Now back in the Birmingham area, he'll be playing more frequently in Central and Northern Alabama...but will also be appearing at music venues throughout the Southeastern United States.

Joey's grasp of Classic Rock & Country vocal/guitar stylings, wide repertoire and natural & enthusiastic stage presence are sure to please even the most discriminating audience...and will deliver an enjoyable evening of great entertainment to your venue.



Equipment

Joey is a singer and multi-instrumentalist and owns a full complement of professional musical/audio equipment suited for most any type of live music venue.

His gear includes...

- Acoustic Guitars by Takamine
- Electric Guitars by Fernandes, ESP, Fender & Yamaha
- Pedal Steel Guitars by Sho-Bud & Fender
- Instrument Amplification by Mesa-Boogie & Roland
- Instrument Effects Processors by BOSS & TC Electronics
- Sound System for Solo Performance by Roland
- Sound System for Group Performance by Roland

Joey can always be relied upon to always bring appropriate gear for each specific venue and to be setup and ready to play...with adequate sound check...well before the scheduled starting time.

Joey's gear is well-maintained and reliable, and will deliver excellent quality sound in any venue.

More detail available upon request.



Booking Info

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Recent Performance Venues

Gulf Shores/Orange Beach, AL

- 2008-2015 *Lulu's (Solo Acoustic, w/The Oysters & Hank Becker)*
- 2008-2011 *Live Bait at the Wharf (Solo Acoustic)*
- 2010-2013 *Live Bait One (Solo Acoustic)*
- 2010-2013 *Live Bait Too (Solo Acoustic)*
- 2012-2014 *Ginny Lane (Solo Acoustic)*
- 2014-2015 *Gilbey's (Solo Acoustic)*
- 2012-2013 *Shaggy's Bar & Grill (solo Acoustic)*
- 2012-2014 *Our Cigar Bar (Solo Acoustic)*

Mobile, AL

- 2009-2014 *Mellow Mushroom (Solo Acoustic)*
- 2004-2014 *Zebra Lounge (with various local musicians)*
- 2010-2011 *The Blues Tavern (w/500 Lbs. of Music)*
- 2008-2009 *Café 615 (with Hank Becker)*

Pensacola Beach, FL

- 2013 *Shaggy's Bar & Grill (Solo Acoustic)*

Fairhope, AL

- 2010-2011 *Aurora's (Solo Acoustic)*

Daphne, AL

- 2012-2014 *Bentz's Pizza Pub (Solo Acoustic)*

Birmingham, AL

- 2002-2013 *Dave's Pub (with 500 Lbs. of Music, Possum)*
- 2010-2014 *Beef O'Brady's (Solo Acoustic)*
- 2007-2010 *The Cajun Steamer (Solo Acoustic)*
- 2003-2013 *Oasis (Solo Acoustic & with Possum)*
- 2003-2010 *On Tap (Four locations) (Solo Acoustic)*
- 2002-2007 *Pub 261 (Solo Acoustic & with Possum)*
- 2004-2010 *Innisfree (with Possum)*
- 2001-2006 *Zydeco (with Possum)*

Huntsville, AL

- 2011-2012 *Mellow Mushroom (Solo Acoustic)*

Spanish Fort, AL

- 2008-2013 *Traders (Solo Acoustic)*

Little Rock, AR

- 2010-2014 *Markham Street Grill & Pub (Solo Acoustic)*
- 2012-2014 *Little Rock Parrotheads Special Events (Solo Acoustic)*

Shreveport, LA

- 2012 *Hilton Garden Inn (Solo Acoustic)*