



# **RAMP**

**RAMP** is an American soul/jazz band from Cincinnati, Ohio, United States. The band's name stands for "Roy Ayers Music Productions" but Ayers was not a member, though he did write and produce songs on their album.

The group released one album, *Come Into Knowledge* (1977), subsequently considered a classic among rare-groove collectors, artists (such as PM Dawn and A Tribe Called Quest who have used RAMP samples in their music) and Roy Ayers fans. Featuring the vocals of Sharon Matthews Salter and Sibel Thrasher, the album was recorded in New York City and California. The group was a vehicle for the songwriting talents of Ayers and Edwin Birdsong. Released in 1977, the set featured a version of Ayers' "Everybody Loves The Sunshine" along with the 'rare groove' track "Daylight". The LP release of the album commands very high prices. The album was eventually re-released on CD in 2007.

The group split up shortly afterwards, but reformed in 2006 for new tours and recordings. RAMP performed on June 30, 2007, with Washington, DC, jazz pianist Will Rast, at the Central Park Summer Stage in New York City.

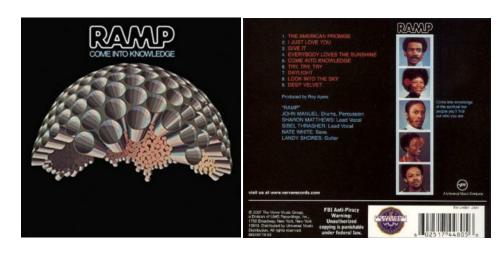
In 2008, the song "Daylight" featured on *Grand Theft Auto IV* on the fictional radio station The Vibe 98.8.

### **Members**

- John Manuel (drums and percussion)
- Sharon Matthews Salter (lead vocals)
- Sibel Thrasher (lead vocals)
- Nate White (bass)
- Landy Shores (guitar)

# **Discography**

• 1977 – Come Into Knowledge (ABC Blue Thumb Records)



#### Cincinnati Solo Bass Artist, Nate White, Releases 3rd CD Titled "Up Close"

CINCINNATI, July 16, 2018 – Phat Bass Entertainment, Inc. announces that Nate White (<a href="www.natewhitemusic.com">www.natewhitemusic.com</a>), a Cincinnati based solo bass artist with decades of performing, writing, and playing for crowds and fans across the country, this week will be releasing his 3rd CD for worldwide listening: "Up Close."



Due for release this summer 2018, the new CD's single, titled "Migration" will be available for downloading on August 3, 2018; also listen out for Nate White "Migration" on Jazz Radio August 13, 2018. For more radio information go to: <a href="https://www.gorovmusic.com">www.gorovmusic.com</a>.

White wrote, recorded, arranged, mixed, and performed on all of the tracks, with other writers such as DJ and producer Nick Luscombe out of the UK, and producer Tony Heath A.K.A. Tony Heat, Atlanta, GA. Other musicians include Randy Villars, Paul "PC" Caver, Dave Stewart, Iva Durand, and Eliot Slaughter out of Cincinnati and Dayton, Oh.

"In order to promote the upcoming launch of 'Up Close,' we're going on a 30-city tour with GAB Productions Inc. throughout the fall of 2018 to bring our new, soul-filled and passionate music to willing listeners across the country," said White.

"My fans love my funky bass, and all of the social media support I receive every day encourages me to make even more heart-filled music for my listeners."

"I put my heart and soul into the creation of this CD, and I had my fans in mind the entire time I created it," said White.

White is also the legendary bass player for the 70's group "RAMP," which was produced by Roy Ayers. His music is described as R&B, Funk, and Jazz rolled into one.



#### Nate has shared the stage with artist such as:

The Godfather of Neo-Soul Roy Ayers, Michael Henderson, the Jazz Quartet "Gratitude," George Johnson of the "Brothers Johnson," Reggie Calloway former leader of "Midnight Star," Chuck Loeb, Jeff Lorber, Everette Harp, Euge Groove, Phil Perry, Aubrey Logan, Richard Elliot, Rick Braun, Gerald Albright, and the nine GRAMMY®-nominated, platinum-selling artist, Dave Koz.

As the opening act for Dave Koz and Friends Summer Horns Tour Louisville, KY, Iroquois Amphitheater, Saturday, July 14, 2018, Nate debuted the single titled "Migration," which will be available worldwide for digital downloading on August 3, 2018.

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Nate White "Up Close"

1. Kupenda

2. Zombie

3. Sugarland

4. Ducie's Groove

5. Sweet Summer Nights

6. Play It Again

7. Migration

8. Feels Like Love

9. Step Up To The Plate

10. Up Close

11. All In My Head

12. Long Way Home



