



Shot O' Soul

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For more than 15 years, Shot O' Soul has been bringing high-energy live music to audiences throughout the Pittsburgh region and beyond. From bars and clubs to festivals, corporate events, weddings, and major outdoor stages, Shot O' Soul has built a reputation as one of the area's most versatile and entertaining live bands.

Shot O' Soul is one of Pittsburgh's premier cover bands. SOS features Jeanie Shook on vocals, Jim Franciscus on vocals, Joe Tomak on drums, Joe Cipollone on keyboards, Greg Krupa on guitars, and a rotation of John Collins and Matt Kennedy on bass.

A major turning point came in 2010 after Shot O' Soul performed at the Seven Springs Rib & Wing Festival. Legendary Pittsburgh promoter Ed Traversari of DiCesare-Engler fame was impressed by the band and encouraged them to connect with famed concert promoter Rich Engler. Following a private performance at Engler's home attended by sports figures and influential guests, Engler offered advice that would help redefine the band's future: embrace classic rock, Motown, soul, and crowd-favorite hits.

Shot O' Soul took that advice to heart.

As the band evolved and welcomed new musicians over the years, so did its sound and repertoire. The result is a powerhouse live act with one of the most diverse song lists in the region – blending classic rock, Motown, soul, Southern rock, classic country, R&B, funk, and timeless party favorites into unforgettable performances tailored to every audience.

The band's influences span generations of legendary artists including The Beatles, The Rolling Stones, Chuck Berry, Sly and the Family Stone and other legends of classic rock, soul, and greats of all music genres – a reflection of the wide-ranging musical experience fans enjoy at every Shot O' Soul show.

Over the years, Shot O' Soul has become a fixture on some of the region's biggest stages and events. The band has appeared numerous times as a Main Stage act at top Pittsburgh Festivals. Another highlight are the performances at the popular Syria Shriners Thunder Thursdays Concert Series where SOS set attendance records. They have also performed at the Seven Springs Rib & Wing Festival for 15 consecutive years and have played shows promoted by Rich Engler and Ed Traversari throughout Western Pennsylvania.

Career highlights include performing at the private Stanley Cup celebration for Pittsburgh Penguins Assistant GM and USA Hockey Hall of Famer Bill Guerin following the Penguins' 2016 championship season. Additional notable appearances include multiple pre-game performances for the Pittsburgh Pirates and opening for Tommy Castro & The Painkillers at the South Park Amphitheater.

Today, Shot O' Soul continues its mission to become known as Pittsburgh's #1 Cover Band – delivering unforgettable nights of music, energy, and entertainment wherever they perform.

