

The Allman Brothers Band 3-18-11

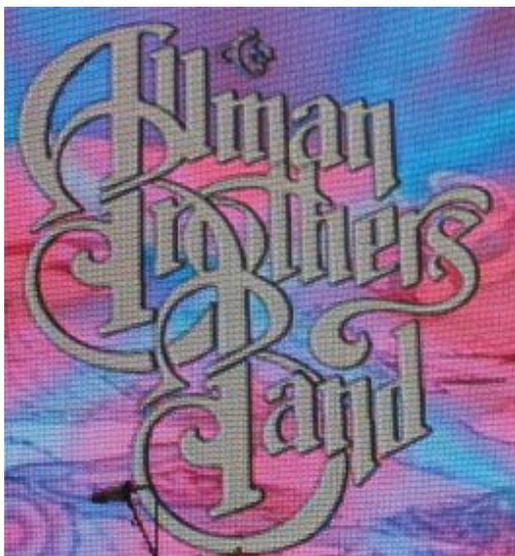
Live @ The Beacon Theater, NYC

With Special Guests: Susan Tedeschi and John Scofield

Tonight was my Third of Five Allman Brothers Band shows of their 13 show March run at New York City's legendary and intimate Beacon Theater. It was the most exciting show for me since my friend and I were in the front row center! I took all the pictures and video shown in this piece.

We got there early to watch them set up and meetup with my friend Jim from Albany. The show was exhilarating and featured some of the band's best playing of the year. Derek Trucks, shown below left, is one of the most amazing guitarists in the world. His slide guitar playing is already legendary and he is only 31 years old. Many people, myself included, believe he is already

the best living guitarist and one of the best ever. Tonight was no exception for Derek. His playing throughout the night was mesmerizing. See link to a video I shot of his amazing solo during the song "Dreams," which I have uploaded to my YouTube account. Derek's picture is on page 2 ([See page 7 for all 5 YouTube links](#)). The Allman Brothers Band features a supremely talented group of musicians who create a unique sound and play Blues-rock, Southern rock and Jazz. They are known for their extended jams with incredible guitar solos and the soulful singing and organ & piano playing of founding member Greg Allman (pictured page 3). He is one of 3 original



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members from the band that formed in 1969. Drummer Butch Trucks, Derek's uncle, and Jai Johanny "Jaimoe" Johanson on drums and percussion are the others. (Two members of the band died in 1971 and 1972, guitarist Duane Allman and bassist Berry Oakley, both of whom died in motorcycle accidents).

Original lead slide guitarist Duane Allman, Greg's older brother, died at the age of 24. He was renowned for his innovative live guitarwork with the Allman Brothers and his studio work with Eric Clapton's "Derek and the Dominoes" band.

He played lead guitar on the legendary song "Layla," which remains Eric Clapton's most famous and revered song. The Allman Brothers Band is a seven member group. Greg Allman is on keyboards and lead vocals; Derek Trucks is on lead guitar; Warren Haynes is on lead guitar and lead vo-



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cals (pictured on page 6); Oteil Burbridge is on bass; Butch Trucks on drums; Jai Johanny “Jaimoe” Johanson on drums and percussion, and

drum solo in the second set. Tonight my friend got a setlist of the First set (see page 7). At the Beacon Theater, the band plays extended runs of 10-

15 shows every year and the shows are always special and unique featuring different special guests every night. Tonight was no exception. There were 2 very special guest stars: Derek Trucks’ lovely and extremely talented wife Susan Tedeschi Trucks (pictured on page 4)



Greg Allman

Marc Quiñones is on drums and percussion. Each Allman Brothers show consists of 2 sets and a 10 minute

joined the band for 2 songs, “Comin’ Home,” featuring her lead vocals and “That Did It,” which she also sang and

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played a mean blues lead guitar solo. She is good enough to hold her own onstage with Derek and Warren, two of the best in the world; Renowned Jazz guitarist John Scofield (pictured on page 5) joined the band for The Allman Brothers' greatest song "In Memory of Elizabeth Reed," a long instrumental featuring some of the best guitar solos ever recorded. Live the song is even more incredible. Scofield more than held his own and shined during his solos which contrasted perfectly with the Allman Brothers guitar duo. The 3 guitarists traded solos in an amazing rendition of "Liz Reed" as it is known to fans. The 20 minute

version of the song rocked the Beacon and brought the First set to a climactic finish. The Second set was stellar

as well. "Dreams" opened up the set with a bang and featured Derek's incredible solo which I videotaped and uploaded to YouTube (link on page



Susan Tedeschi Trucks

7). Derek's solo featured all the best attributes I love about Derek, the way he builds a solo, slowly to a crashing

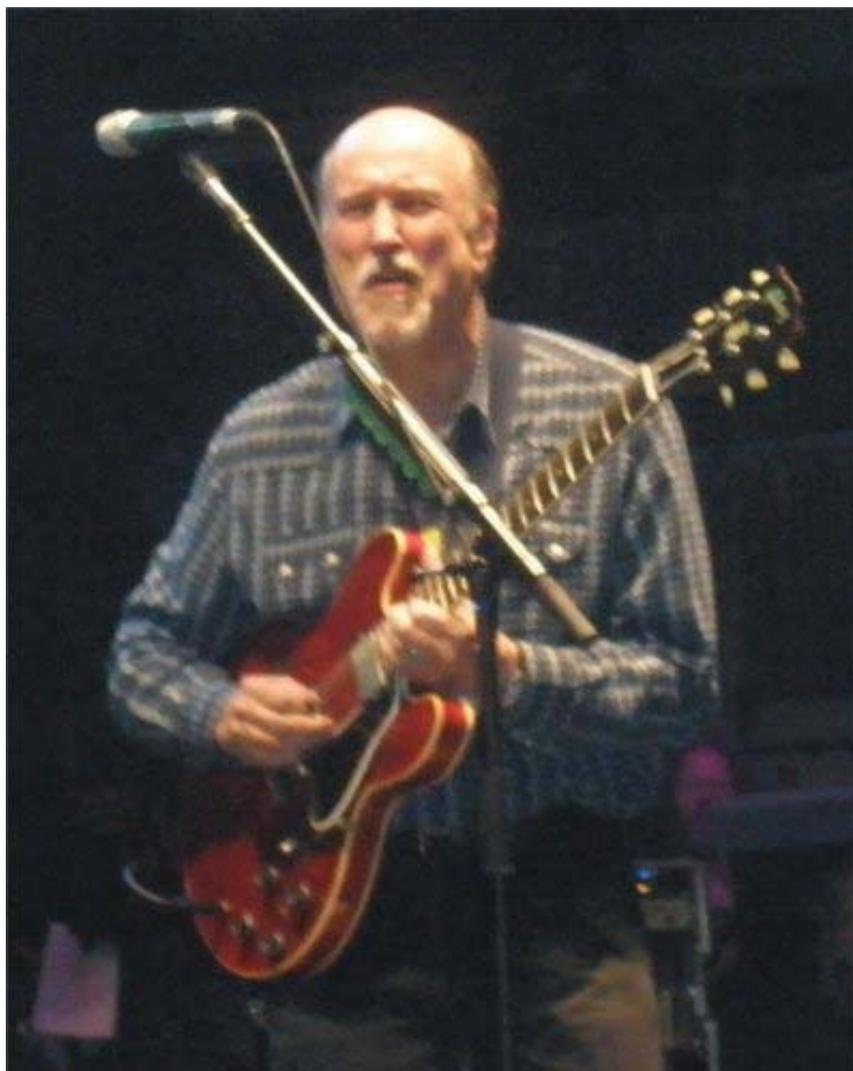
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crescendo, and then slows it down and revs it back up to a fever pitch. No one can play guitar like that. In my 35 years of concertgoing I have never seen a guitarist as great as Derek. He is truly the master and gets better every year. He has been with the Allman Brothers since 1999 and also has his own band, The Derek Trucks Band. Recently he has joined forces with his wife Susan to form a supergroup called the Tedeschi Trucks Band, and I saw them April 13, in an intimate 700 seat club in Manhattan called the Highline Ballroom. (The newly-formed band has 11 members including 3 horns, 2 drummers, and Oteil on bass and his brother Kofi Burbridge on keyboards-

-it was a superb show!) The set continued with stellar renditions of Soulshine featuring Greg Allman on lead vocals and keyboards, and Derek and Warren on guitar. Mountain Jam



John Scofield

ended the set and was sandwiched around the drum solo with John Scofield once again joining The Allman Brothers for a ferocious jam. Finally the encore, "One Way Out," featured Junior Mack on lead guitar and Susan Tedeschi on rhythm guitar. It was a great end to an unforgettable evening.

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YouTube Clickable links in pdf file (all video shot by Ray Caligiure):

1. Dreams

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IRgewNFF9Jk>

2. Liz Reed

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RfC92H1IVmg>

3. Mountain Jam, Part 1

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZaeC2qiB25M>

4. Mountain Jam, Part 2

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=imy0A-DXeZM>

5. One Way Out

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FZaH4h6eYrQ>



Setlist for First Set