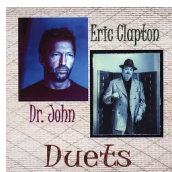


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1. *Opening* 2. *Right Place, Wrong Time* 3. *St. James Infirmary* 4. "... plug it in?" [play](#) 5. *How Long Blues*

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6. *Roberta* 7. "... a little break" 8. *Layla* 9. *Closing*

Line-Up: Eric Clapton – guitar, vocals, Dr. John – piano, vocals, Ronnie Cuber – baritone sax, David Barard – bass, Bobby Bromm – guitar, Herman Ernest – drums, Bashiri Johnson – percussion, Andy Snitzer – tenor sax. Roseland Ballroom New York, NY May 9, 1996
Sourced from the TV broadcast and remastered by the 3BR Team.

Of late the Eric Clapton-Steve Winwood team-up has been getting a bit of word of mouth. Here's one team-up that isn't that well publicised.

This is what the fan site, geetarz.org, commented: "An absolutely essential EC performance. Begins with a great funky version of Right Place, Wrong Time with EC contributing hot guitar solos, then segues into an absolutely gut-wrenching performance by EC of St. James Infirmary - easily one of his best performances EVER. An acoustic How Long Blues with EC on dobro and then the uptempo Roberta, followed by an absolutely unique R&B rearrangement of Layla."

This show once again confirms what many fans feel: Clapton may be great on his own but when he has someone to work against (think Layla or even Steve Winwood), the shows invariably become much more exciting. Here it is Dr John's fine vocals that act as a counterpoint to Clapton's playing.

It may be a short set but it's a real fun honky-tonk session. And if Clapton sounds a little like

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Santana on Right Place, Wrong Time and even on St James Infirmary, maybe it's time for these two greats to go on tour together. ---bigozine2.com

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