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MALACO ARTISTS CLAIM TOP HONORS 2006 READER'S POLL BLUES CRITICS AWARDS

Jackson, MS-For those of you who haven't heard yet, Malaco artists took home six of the top honors awarded by the more than 50,000 fans that voted for their favorites of 2006. Hats off to Bluescritic.com for keeping the blues community informed and together on charts, releases, and what's happening down in the delta and beyond. The list of winners is featured below! If you are a media person that hasn't received a copy of a project and would like one to review, please give us a shout and we'll hook you up!

Best Southern Soul/R&B Album

Willie Clayton
Gifted (Malaco)



Blues Critic Staff Pick

Southern Soul Artist of the Year

Willie Clayton

- Two Top 5 Southern Soul Hits
- CD *Gifted* voted Best Southern Soul R & B album of the year
- Billboard Top 100 R & B Albums Chart
- Produced Omar Cunningham CD, *Worth The Wait*
- Clayton also completed a tour and a video during 2006

Best Record Producers of the Year

Willie Clayton
& Vick Allen



Southern Soul Blues Song of the Year

Billy 'Soul' Bonds
Scat Cat...Here Kitty, Kitty (Waldoxy)

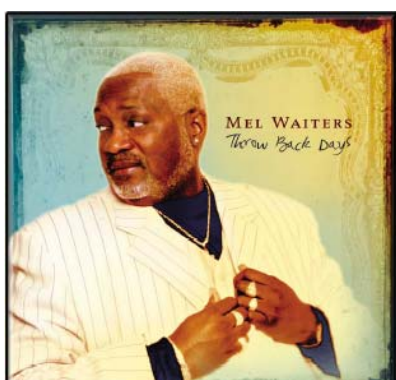


Best Slow Jam

Billy 'Soul' Bonds
Scat Cat...Here Kitty, Kitty (Waldoxy)

Best Dance Song

Mel Waiters
"Throwback Days"
(Waldoxy)



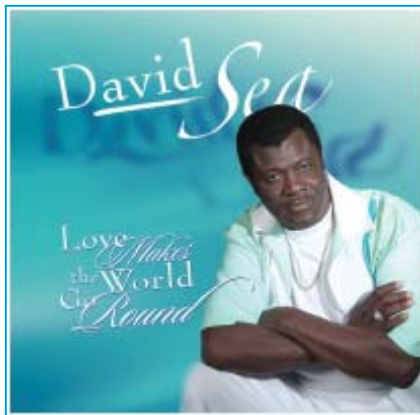
ARTIST SPOTLIGHT

DAVID SEA

Love Makes The World Go Round

Park Place Records (A Division of the Knight Music Group)

Distribution: The Malaco Music Group



David Sea has been compared to a vocal blend of Luther Vandross and Teddy Pendergrass and has earned the moniker, "The Sexiest Living Man in the World," by those who have followed his career and is well known for touring extensively with *The Temptation Review*, helping to keep the legend of the original Temptations alive.

Born in Birmingham, Alabama, Sea began singing with his brother in the gospel group **The Johnson Harmonaires**. He eventually joined the army, but returned to singing after his retirement, forming the group **David C. & The Question Mark**.

Sea has recorded many successful albums throughout his career. His latest release, *Love Makes The World Go Round*, which was written and produced by Frederick Knight ("Ring My Bell") of the Knight Music Group, is a collection of strong urban adult contemporary love songs.

TOP 25 CHART

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Rank	SONG	ARTIST	LABEL
1	<i>Scat Cat, Here Kitty, Kitty</i>	Billy "Soul" Bonds	Waldoxy
2	<i>Boom, Boom, Boom</i>	Willie Clayton	Malaco
6	<i>Shake and Shimmy</i>	Larome Powers	Waldoxy
14	<i>Throwback Days</i>	Mel Waiters	Waldoxy

TOP 50 DEEP SOUL, RHYTHM & BLUES ALBUMS

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NOW	WAS	SONG	ARTIST	LABEL
1	2	<i>Gifted</i>	Willie Clayton	Malaco
4	5	<i>Here Kitty, Kitty</i>	Billy "Soul" Bonds	Waldoxy
13	11	<i>Throw Back Days</i>	Mel Waiters	Waldoxy
28	26	<i>Full Circle</i>	Willie Clayton	Malaco
49	47	<i>Simply Soul</i>	Vick Allen	Waldoxy

