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the end or beginning?

By 1982-83, Classix was at its peak, touring 30 countries of the world, having hit in the UK, and earned silver and gold discs in various countries. Even bigger success in Poland was just beginning, as having lifted Martial Law, they decided to let western bands in, starting with Classix. Average concert audiences there were 10,000.

However after recording the third album "Secret" with American producer Alex Sadkin and a big budget, EMI decided to pull the plug. Although the band did carry on in one shape or form for a couple of years more, that really was the beginning of the end for Classix Nouveaux.

By early 1985, Sal Solo had begun a solo career, demand for the band had decreased, and so it all came to a natural end.

WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

SAL SOLO (Lead vocals 1979-85) is still touring playing Christian music, and has released several more albums.

MIK SWEENEY (Bass 1979-84) was living in Los Angeles around ten years, recently moved to Ireland.

BP HURDING (Drums 1979-84) worked for a while as a roadie for other bands, and now lives in the USA, working in catering.

JAK AIRPORT (Guitar 1979) never recorded with Classix, but released a couple of singles with former X-Ray Spex bassist Paul Dean. Died of cancer in 2004.

GARY STEADMAN (Guitar 1979-82) joined Flock of Seagulls for a while but now works selling houses and is married with children.

JIMI SUMEN (Guitar 1982-84) Became one of Finland's most well known producers.

PAUL WILSON (Keyboards 1982-83) has not been heard of since!

RICK DRISCOLL (Guitar 1984-85) toured with Steve Harley and Alison Moyet, and still does vocal and guitar sessions.

PAUL TURLEY (Drums 1984-85) formed a band with ex-Kajagoogoo Steve Askew. Now is married and living in Spain.

ANDY QUNTA (Keyboards 1984-85) went on to co-write a massive hit "The Voice" by John Farnan and toured with Aussie band Icehouse.

PANDIT DINESH (Percussion 1983-85) is still the hottest Indian percussionist around, and continues to do sessions and tours.

**** CLASSIX NOUVEAUX complete DISCOGRAPHY (UK)****

1980 single "Robots Dance" (distributed by Liberty/EMI)

single "Nasty Little Green Men" (Liberty/EMI)

1981 single "Guilty" (Liberty/EMI)

album "Night People" (Liberty/EMI)

single "Tokyo" (Liberty/EMI)

single "Inside Outside" (Liberty/EMI)

1982 single "Never Again" (Liberty/EMI)

single "Is It a Dream" (Liberty/EMI)

album "La Verité" (Liberty/EMI)

single "Because You're Young" (Liberty/EMI)

1983 single "The End of The Beginning" (Liberty/EMI)

single "Forever and a Day"

album "Secret" (Liberty/EMI)

single "Never Never Comes" (Liberty/EMI)

1985 album (guests) "Heart & Soul" (MCA)

1985 single (guests) "Heartbeat" (MCA)

1997 album "The Very Best of Classix Nouveaux" (EMI Gold)

2006 album "The River Sessions" Recorded in 1982 (River Records)