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Liquid Blue
World-Famous Party Band Puts Down Roots In Point Loma
Point Loma and Ocean Beach residents have some new neighbors. After touring in more than 100 countries with Liquid Blue, the manager, founder and lead vocalist of the world’s most traveled band has relocated to the Sunset Cliffs neighborhood at the junction of Sunset Cliffs Blvd. and Adair Street.

A Southern California native who has visited 500 cities, Scott Stephens has a global perspective that most can only dream of. And he proudly proclaims San Diego as being not only America’s finest city but the very best place to live on the planet. He should know.

And don’t get him started on the subject of Point Loma and Ocean Beach which he hails as the best location to live within the city. He’ll rattle off a long list of reasons to back up his point; the foremost being the proximity to both the Pacific Ocean, Downtown and the airport (especially since they travel so much); the beauty of the cliffs and colorful, artsy Ocean Beach.

The new Liquid Blue headquarters has been the talk of the town since Scott and his consort “DJ Layla” transformed this longtime vacation rental property into a well-manicured, colorful corner property.

Even before the newly planted California native “peace garden” had a chance to show off its spring blooms there were numerous articles in the local media about the so-called “Hippie House.”

The ‘mural’ of this story …

From his downstairs office where he runs the business of Liquid Blue, Scott notes that from sunup to sundown, not five minutes passes without someone stopping to take a look at the colorful music-themed mural (by local artist Adalaide Marcus) on the retaining wall and all the rest.

The home sits directly across the street from the entrance to Sunset Cliffs Natural Park.

The San Diego California Native Plant Society has plans to beautify this park entrance point with the installation of a low-water public landscape to demonstrate the benefits of gardening with native plants. “It’s a match made in heaven” says Clayton Tschudy, who helped with the design of both gardens. And John Noble of Sage Nursery who installed the peace garden and peace pole had this to say: “Liquid Blue has greatly enhanced the entrance to the Cliffs.”

Although they’ve had a Top-10 Billboard Dance single and an award-winning LP, Liquid Blue is mostly known for their work as a cover band, playing high-end, VIP social events and corporate functions all over the country as well as internationally. They are quite likely the most successful party band in

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The band is seen outside the new Liquid Blue headquarters in Sunset Cliffs. Manager Scott Stephens and his consort “DJ Layla” transformed this vacation rental property into a manicured, colorful corner property, which features a music-themed mural by local artist Adalaide Marcus.

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today’s very competitive events market and certainly have the longest list of accolades. This includes awards such as America’s Best Dance Band; Entertainer of the Year; Best Band at the International Music Awards and a Guinness World Record, to name a few.

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Liquid Blue backs the Red Rocker

Last year when Sammy Hagar, the Red Rocker, agreed to perform for the Bishop’s School charity event in La Jolla, he hired Liquid Blue to be his band. The group learned and performed music spanning Sammy’s career including tracks from his solo career, Montrose, Van Halen and Chickenfoot. Hagar was familiar with Liquid Blue because they had opened for his group at the MGM Grand Arena and also played at his Cabo Wabo nightclub in Baja, Calif.

The band plays locally in San Diego at venues such as Viejas Casino; The Belly Up Tavern and Club M at the Grand Del Mar Resort. And the “BlueGirls Trio” that fronts the group often sings the national anthem at Qualcomm Stadium for the Chargers and Petco Park for the Padres.

Internationally is where the group has really made their mark. They were the first American act signed to a major Chinese record label (2005) and played sold-out shows to upwards of 65,000 in China as well as the official Beijing Olympics Kick-Off Concert in 2008. The group has made 15 trips to China. In Europe Liquid Blue has headlined festivals of up to 15,000 attendees.

They’ve played for the president of the Dominican Republic (at a show attended by Sammy Sosa and Barry Bonds) as well
Liquid Blue: Area Shows

This summer, the band can be enjoyed at several San Diego-area locations, including Point Loma Community Park.

Here in Point Loma we’re in for a special treat as Liquid Blue will perform at the Point Loma Summer Concert Series on Friday, July 18 at Point Loma Community Park. For information, see plconcerts.org or call 619-523-3787.

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Other area performances include Las Patronas Jewel Ball at La Jolla Beach & Tennis Club on Saturday, Aug. 2. For more information, visit laspatronas.org/calendar-of-events.—Information Provided by Liquid Blue

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as the President of French Polynesia (Tahiti). The band, all of whom are strong advocates for peace, have also supported our U.S. troops on USO tours in places like Afghanistan and Kuwait.

Liquid Blue headlined at NATO conference in Belgium as well as performing at various U.S. embassies for dignitaries. Back in the USA one of the bands most memorable ticketed show was a sold-out concert at the venerable Cow Palace in San Francisco for 13,000. They’ve performed in all 50 states including every major U.S. city.

Liquid Blue goes green

Liquid Blue is also “green.” They were designated a green business by the County of San Diego in 2009 (the only band ever to receive the designation) and also have a Green Point Rating for the band’s home studio and offices.

And even the band members themselves have unique and interesting backgrounds including a former pro Roller Derby skater with the LA T-Birds; a former World Bodysurfing Champion; two Grammy winners; a former BlueGirl (singer) who was signed by the legendary Clive Davis to Sony and a BlueGirls who made the finals in Chinese Idol.

More info is available at LiquidBlueBand.com.