

Deb Ryder Bio

2016, 2017 and 2018 Grammy Ballot for Best Contemporary Blues Album

2016 Blues Blast Music Award Nominee - Sean Costello Rising Star Award

2017 Blues Blast Music Award Nominee – Female Blues Artist of the Year

2016, 2017 and 2018 Top 50 Blues Album Chart of the year - Roots Music Report

2019 Top 50 Blues Album Chart of the year - Living Blues Magazine

2019 City of Los Angeles, State of California Blues Living Legend Award

Deb Ryder is a Contemporary blues singer and songwriter with the Vizztone Label Group. Born in Chicago Illinois, She is known for her powerful vocals, captivating stage presence, and smart song writing.

“Vocalist Deb Ryder matches her unquestionable blues-mama bona fides with some of the smartest lyric sets dropped in the genre this year!” **DUANE VERH - ROOTS MUSIC REPORT**

She began singing at the age of five joining her Dad, crooner Al Swanson on stage at several popular venues and churches in the Chicago area. Deb’s musical career began in her early teens when her mother moved the family to California and along with her stepfather, opened the renowned Rock and Blues club the Topanga Corral. There she opened for and performed with such legends as Etta James, Big Joe Turner, Taj Mahal and Canned Heat, all regulars at the club. These artists mentored Ryder, and it was then that her vision of herself as a singer, songwriter and performer began to take shape. Neighbor Bob Hite of Canned Heat took Deb under his wing and carefully selected records from his vast collection to school her in blues music. Miss Etta James who regularly stayed at the house, took time working with Ryder on her vocals and song writing telling her one day “You got it, now you’re singing and writing the blues!” These affirmations from such blues luminaries set Deb firmly on her musical path.

Ryder enjoyed a professional career performing on numerous national television commercials, motion pictures, and Las Vegas musicals, and had a very successful run as a session artist in L.A. Her first record “Might Just Get Lucky”, recorded and produced by Deb and husband , bassist Ric Ryder was released in 2014 on BEJEB MUSIC and put her on the blues radar! She then teamed up with Grammy award winning producer / drummer Tony Braunagel, and released three critically acclaimed, chart topping records, “Let It Rain”, “Grit Grease & Tears”, and “Enjoy The Ride” from 2015 - 2018. With her powerhouse vocals, sizzling stage presence, signature arrangements and impeccable songwriting, you can expect her to continue to imprint her indelible mark on the blues world, now and in the future.

“Her vocal ability puts her among those great female blues singers that preceded her. There is no reason why she shouldn’t ascend to the higher ranks of the blues elite!”

GREG “BLUESDOG” SZALONY - BLUES BLAST MAGAZINE

“This is an artist that deftly combines polished musicianship with a deep respect for blues tradition. Deb Ryder deserves a spot on every blues fans radar.”

JON KLIENMAN - LIVING BLUES MAGAZINE

“Glorious vocals from Deb Ryder, her performance an amazing treat from start to finish, and well worth your attention”

GRAHAM RHODES - BLUES IN THE NORTHWEST

“Turn her all the way up and have some oxygen or an ambulance at the ready. Whew!”
MIDWEST RECORD

