

PEACH: 3 quick questions

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Los Angeles-based singer-songwriter-guitarist, PEACH, was born and raised in Indiana, the former University of Denver voice major has a variety of musical skills ranging in genre from classical vocals to jazz. At one point, she even played with Condoleezza Rice. The National Security Adviser was once PEACH's accompanist. "She was on her way to being a great starving musician," PEACH once commented.

PEACH also became a veteran of the early 1970s jazz club scene in San Francisco before relocating to L.A. She performed with such jazz musicians as Russell Ferrante, The Max Borjon Orchestra and Mary Ann Price. She even fronted her own band with San Francisco saxophonist Mary Fettig Park (Flora Purim).

[PEACH](#) also often played at the Hyatt Union Square. In 1976 She toured Japan as a solo artist. Returning to the US, she played with Jim Messina of Loggins and Messina. But rather than get caught up in her rockin' resume let's get to something new, shall we?

Here are the three questions asked of [PEACH](#):

Question 1

1. Can you describe the first paid gig you had and if so what did it feel like when you realized you wanted to do



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this for a living and were actually getting paid?

PEACH: I think my first paid gig was in high school for a women's fashion show in Anderson, Indiana. I didn't think I would be "doing this for a living". I was just doing it and at some point, I started getting paid.



Question 1 *PEACH*



Question 2

2. Do you think in general being a woman in the music helps or hurts you and why?

PEACH: I think it's a "double-edged sword". On the one hand, people seem to like a "women-led band". So that's a point in the plus column.

However, there is camaraderie among the guys . . . that they might play for little money for their "male-buddies" on a gig here and there and the women-led bands don't get that break (usually). I've had this discussion with other front women.

Question 3

3. What's next for you?

PEACH: Several things going on at once! I'm going to Denmark to play with my Danish band featuring Aske Jacoby at the coolest ever blues club, MOJO BLUES, on August 7th. Then there's a festival in Denmark on the isle of Jutland in the city of Aalborg on August 14th. I'm also playing in Denmark in October on a tour with a band called **PEACH** & the Almost Blues Band. Then when all the dust settles, I'm doing a new CD in Los Angeles this winter.

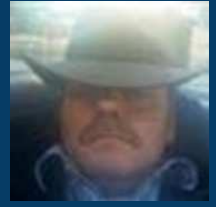
So there you have it, boys and girls, 3 quick answers from **PEACH**. Hopefully, you found these 3 quick questions entertaining and interesting.

My name is Phoenix and . . . that's the bottom line.



Question 3 PEACH

"Today I Sing the Blues"



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