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Purple Night 2024

Tribute to Deep Purple, Rainbow and Whitesnake



The poster features a background of a purple and blue light show. At the top left is the PSOF logo. The main title 'Purple Night 2024' is in large pink letters, with the subtitle 'Tribute to Deep Purple, Rainbow and Whitesnake' in yellow. The date 'la 24.2.2024' is in red. Below are three circular logos: 'Perfect Strangers Duo' with two men, 'Shades of Purple Lahti' with the text 'SHADES OF PURPLE Lahti', and 'Purple Stuff' with 'PS' and 'EST. 2014'. Text below these logos lists 'Purple Stuff feat. Jukka Nummi, Taage Laiho, Kajsas Hautamäki'. Further down, it says 'DJ.Punis jatkaa iltaa viimeisen live-esiintyjän jälkeen pilkkuun saakka'. At the bottom, it lists 'Ovet klo 18:30', 'Showtime n.19:30', 'Liput ennakkoon 16€', 'Ovelta 20€', the 'ON THE ROCKS' logo, 'Mikonkatu 8, Hki', 'www.tiketti.fi', and 'www.psof.fi'.

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proudly presents

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Perfect Strangers Duo

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Lahti

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Saturday 24.2.2023 at 19:00-23:30

Showtime at 19:30, doors at 19:00

Age limit 18

On Saturday, February 24th, 2024, Purple Night will pay honor to both itself and Deep Purple, Rainbow and Whitesnake, while we celebrate the 11th Purple Night-event.

Perfect Strangers of Finland PSOF ry started to arrange these events in 2008, while celebrating the 10th anniversary of the society. By now, the event has been arranged eight times, in 2008, 2009, 2011, 2012, 2015 and 2016 at Tavastia Club and in 2013 and 2014 at Virgin Oil in Helsinki. In 2018, we celebrated our 20th anniversary at the Cultural Arena Gloria. In 2023 at our this 25th anniversary, we had a great party venue in Helsinki – On the Rocks – , and the tradition will now be continued by **celebrating Purple Night 2024 in the stunning facilities of On the Rocks**, where together with music lovers of Deep Purple and its family tree, we can once again spend a wonderful evening. **Deep Purple's family tree is extensive** and includes also Whitesnake and Rainbow.

PSOF ry was founded 1998 in Helsinki, to promote and pay tribute to Deep Purple and related music. The society is approved by Deep Purple and their management Thames Talent Ltd, as the official Deep Purple Society (fan club) in Finland. The purpose of this society is to promote Deep Purple music in Finland, in addition to related bands and projects such as Whitesnake, Black Sabbath, Rainbow, Blackmore's Night, Glenn Hughes, Joe Lynn Turner, Graham Bonnet, and Doogie White. Besides Deep Purple themselves, we include in the Family tree all other bands and projects the Deep Purple musicians have been involved. In fact, we can talk about a "*Deep Purple jungle*". **Both Deep Purple and their family tree members have had a very positive attitude towards us. Thus, we have been able to meet them several times during all these years.**

During all these years, our society has given numerous musicians, both professionals and amateurs, experienced people and newcomers, opportunities to perform on stage. Totaling in more than one hundred artists, including such well-known names as Doogie White (ex. Rainbow), Nikolo Kotzev, Johnnie Bolin, Anssi Kela, Timo Kotipelto, Tipe Johnsson, Erja Lyytinen, Mikko Rintanen, and Jukka "Jay" Lewis, in addition to many member musicians of our society have performed at the events. All the musicians have proved to be of high quality, and they could have played even songs not heard so often, thanks to the various themes of Purple Nights, such as 10 Perfect Women, In Rock, Rainbow All Night Long, Who Do We Think We Are, Old-New-Borrowed and Blue, 70th anniversary of Ritchie Blackmore, and the music of Tommy Bolin era when Tommy's brother Johnnie came from the U.S.A. to perform in this event. The first Purple Night in 2008 was the 10th anniversary of our society, too. At our 20th anniversary "*From the Beginning to Infinity*", we honored Deep Purple's 50-year life's work by going through their entire musical production, meaning the evening was kind of a marathon in the *Deep Purple jungle*, and at the same time we peeked into their pearl coffin in the jungle. During all these years, it has been our great pleasure to see the importance of Deep Purple family tree music to so many musicians and enthusiasts. To celebrate our 25th anniversary, we enjoyed the music of Whitesnake and Black Sabbath from the Dio-era, and of course the music of Deep Purple. Whitesnake's music was interpreted by long-distance rock pro Joe Doakes, and Spiritus Sabbathi interpreting Black Sabbath production from the Dio-era, and they celebrated the 40-year existence of the album "Live Evil". Spiritus Sabbathi is one of the projects led by PSOF member Janne Laviranta. In addition, both bands interpreted hits and gems from Deep Purple's music during the evening, from the days of both Ian Gillan and David Coverdale.

The theme of Purple Night 2024 this time is Deep Purple classics, as well as hits by Rainbow and Whitesnake.

The evening starts acoustically with **Perfect Strangers Duo**, consisting of two PSOF members, vocalist **Jukka Nummi** and guitarist **Risto Turpeinen**. **Risto** is a skilled guitarist and music maker, and he leads the band Ruska, among others.

The evening continues with **Purple Stuff**, a band specially assembled for Purple Night 2024, performing **music by Deep Purple, Whitesnake and Rainbow** with three soloists. The soloists are **Taage Laiho, Jukka Nummi and Kajsa Hautamäki**. Band leader and PSOF member **Henric Blomqvist** on guitar, **Jonas Kuhlberg** on bass,

Victor Nyblom on drums and **Mårten Bredarholm** on keyboards. **Henric** is a skillful guitarist who has performed at Purple Night events several times. For several years, Henric has also led ex. Rainbow vocalist Doogie White as a backing band on Doogie's Finnish tours and has played in Los Angeles with Deep Purple guitarist Steve Morse and Glenn Hughes. Henric also has several projects of his own, such as Henric Blomqvist & Friends, Solid Faces and Blomqvist-Mattjus Duo. **Jonas** has also performed at Purple Night and is also the bass player for bands such as Cain's Offering, One Desire and The Dark Element. The Dark Element has also collaborated with ex-Nightwish vocalist Anette Olzon and Cain's Offering includes Timo Kotipelto and Jens Johansson from Stratovarius [Jonas Kuhlberg – Wikipedia](#). **Victor** is a young drummer but has played in Henric's projects with ex. Rainbow soloist Doogie White. **Mårten** is a multi-talented keyboardist who has also played in Henric's projects, and most recently at the annual "Jaakon Päivät" event in Pietarsaari with Henric Blomqvist & Friends.

Soloist **Taage Laiho** is a Turku-based long-distance singer whose heavy voice can be heard in many bands, such as Altaria, Kilpi and Ghost Machinery. **Taage** also performed at Purple Night 2011. **Jukka Nummi** is an Oulu-based musician who works as a soloist and drummer, and who has several ensembles. **Jukka** is most known for interpreting Dio music, but also Deep Purple, Whitesnake, Rainbow etc. belongs to his repertoire. Jukka has performed several times at Purple Night events and is also a long-time PSOF member. **Kajsa Hautamäki** is a young singer who has taken over heavy music, among other things.

The evening will end with **Shades of Purple**, an orchestra from Lahti founded in 2007. The band plays **Deep Purple-music from the Ian Gillan-era**, and also some **Rainbow**. **Ville Saikko** as soloist, the keyboards are handled by **Jukka Ilmonen**, **Anton Berg** on drums, **Lasse Heliste** on bass and **Matti Hyyrynen** on guitar. Jukka Ilmonen also performed as soloist at Purple Night 2011. Shades of Purple has also been involved at the **Lahti Goes Hard'n'Heavy LGHH** event at Sibelius Hall in Lahti, which was organized for the 8th time on 20.1.2024. The first event took place in 2011. **Jukka Ilmonen** is a multi-talented musician, plays in several ensembles, and in addition to the Hammond's, he manages even the accordion and microphone.

The Evening ends with DJ Punis Classic Rock Disco, <https://www.facebook.com/events/699453315336467/>

On the Rocks is in the Centre of Helsinki, at **Mikonkatu 15**, right next to the Railway Station.

Tickets for the event can be bought **in advance starting from 16 €** from Tiketti or **at the door 20 €** if there's tickets remain.

You are welcome to celebrate with us!

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