

BLU JAMES

URBAN SOULFUL VOCALIST • HOUSE / GARAGE / R&B / REGGAE / DISCO / FUNK

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BIOGRAPHY

Blu James is a British vocalist whose voice has powered dancefloors across three decades of UK house, garage and dance music. Her career began in the early 1990s, when she won a songwriter competition run by a London-based young people's music project — a launchpad that led directly into session and feature work with some of the UK's most influential producers and labels.

She is best known as the featured vocalist on Basement Jaxx's breakthrough single “Red Alert” (XL Recordings, 1999), which reached #5 on the UK Singles Chart and topped the US Billboard Dance Club Songs chart, going on to be reissued and remixed by artists including Erick Morillo & Harry “Choo Choo” Romero, The Cube Guys and Mihalís Safras. Her other credits include New Horizons' garage/house anthem “It's My House,” and “I Wanna Know” with Restless Natives, an early UK garage staple later reworked by Club Asylum. She also recorded for MCA, and has featured on releases including Phoebe One's “Get On It” and Danny Wheelup's “Fire In The Hole.”

Alongside her house and garage work, Blu James lends her voice to UK ska outfit Maroon Town, reflecting the reggae and ska influences that run through her sound alongside disco, funk and R&B.

LIVE & BROADCAST HIGHLIGHTS

- Performed at The BRIT Awards
- Glastonbury Festival
- Back To The 90s
- Garage Nation
- Kisstory
- The Egg, London — Legacy

- Spoony & Friends
- Brighton Pride • Blackpool Pride • Sunderland Pride
- Live sessions and features for KISS FM (Red Alert)
- V&A Museum — exhibition marking 125 years of Black music's contribution to British culture

SELECTED DISCOGRAPHY & CREDITS

- Basement Jaxx feat. Blu James — “Red Alert” (XL Recordings, 1999) — UK #5, US Billboard Dance #1
- New Horizons — “It's My House”
- Restless Natives feat. Blu James — “I Wanna Know”
- Phoebe One — “Get On It”
- Danny Wheelup — “Fire In The Hole”
- Recording work for MCA Records
- Featured vocalist, Maroon Town (UK ska)
- Collaborations include work with producer/DJ Antoine C

SOUND

An urban, soulful voice equally at home across house, garage, R&B, reggae, disco and funk — built for the dancefloor and rooted in the UK's Black music heritage.

REGGAE LIVE & SESSION WORK (FLORIDA)

Blu James has also performed extensively within the Florida reggae and dancehall circuit, both as a backing vocalist for touring artists and as an opening act alongside Jahfari Reggae Band.

Backing vocals (single-show appearances):

- Warrior King
- Jr. Reid
- Glen Washington
- Tinga Stewart
- Bankie Banx
- Everton Blender
- Mickey Dred
- Luciano
- Inner Circle

Opening slots (with Jahfari Reggae Band):

- Freddie McGregor
- Steel Pulse
- Beres Hammond
- Serani
- Pink
- Pato Banton

SOCIALS & STREAMING

- Spotify — open.spotify.com/artist/7al6k3rnK5Nx516gKPl6Gw
- Apple Music — music.apple.com/us/artist/blu-james/116046852
- SoundCloud — soundcloud.com/blu-james
- Instagram — instagram.com/bluskiblu2
- Facebook — facebook.com/blujamesuk

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