

GRASS ROOTS

Biography

One of the most listened to voices on radio from the mid 1960's through the early 1970's belongs to The Grass Roots lead vocalist, Rob Grill.

Now, nearly 30 years later, one of the most recognized voices on "Classic Rock" stations (one of the strongest formats in radio today) continues to be that of Rob Grill. During all that time, Rob Grill and The Grass Roots have averaged over 100 live performances each year.

Rob is a native of Hollywood, California where he attended Hollywood High School. Soon after graduation, Rob began working at American Recording Studios with some of his musician friends; Cory Wells and John Kay who later formed 3 Dog Night Steppenwolf, respectively. Convinced to start his own band, Rob and 3 others formed The Grass Roots. Teaming up with mega-hit producer Steve Barri (The Mamas & The Papa's, Tommy Roe, Four Tops and Dusty Springfield), The Grass Roots went on to chart 29 singles; 13 of which went gold followed by 2 gold albums and 1 platinum album. Their CD, "The Grass Roots Anthology" on Rhino Records, was released in 1993 and remains a strong seller today.

Here are some impressive facts about The Grass Roots:

1. In the entire history of Rock n' Roll, only 9 bands (including The Beatles) have charted more hits on Billboard's Hot 100 than The Grass Roots.
2. The Grass Roots have appeared on over 50 national television shows including, "The Tonight Show," "The Today Show," "Ed Sullivan," "Andy Williams," "Sonny & Cher," "Good Morning America," "VH1 Hit-Makers," "MTV," and a record 16 times on "Dick Clark's American Bandstand."
3. The Grass Roots hold the all-time attendance record for a one act, US concert of 600,000 people on July 4th, 1982 in Washington, DC.
4. During a 6-year period (1967-1972) The Grass Roots set a record for being on the Billboard charts an unbelievable 307 straight weeks!
5. The Grass Roots have sold over 20 million records worldwide.

While not in the midst of touring, Rob spends his time off at home in central Florida with his wife, Nancy, a local radio personality. When touring, Rob sounds stronger today than he did when he recorded all those great Grass Roots' hits. Combine that with the Band's sincere appreciation for all their fans and you have a show that is filled with solid gold hits, solid entertainment, and memories that will not soon be forgotten!