Welcome to the SALections!

We hope you find this newsletter inspiring and just maybe it will make you laugh out loud or shed a tear. Here we go.

August 2025

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Hall and Oates



Recognized as the best selling duo of all time, Hall and Oates have 19 top ten hits, 8 platinum albums with 9 of their songs reaching number 1 on the charts.

While they are not together now, their legacy as R & B royalty is firmly established.

With musical inspiration from Otis Redding, Curtis Mayfield, Smokey Robinson and The Temptations, Daryl Hall and John Oates met at Temple University in Philadelphia.

Their awards are many - the smooth harmonies coupled with soulful R&B has brought them MTV awards, American Music Awards and an induction into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame in 2014.

Often called blue eyed soul, their songs have been enjoyed around the world for more than 50 years with no stopping them now.

They hit it big in 1974 just as MTV was catching on, their videos a constant on the MTV channel.

From 1974 to 1991, 29 of their singles made the top 40 and six of those singles made it to number one on the Billboard charts.

With 18 albums together and some solo efforts, their music catalog is immense. Today we are looking at the top 50 Hall and Oates songs.

THE BEST OF HALL AND OATES

Abandoned Luncheonette - Nov 1973

After their first album in November of 72, entitled "Whole Oats" which produced Lilly and Fall in Philadelphia, they caught fire with "Abandoned Luncheonette" released in November of 1973.



When the Morning Comes

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4qPIftMsgCc

Just in passing, I'm not asking....Abandoned Luncheonette reached number 33 on the Billboard charts but there was gold in this album.

When the Morning Comes, Had I Known you Better, She's Gone, Abandoned Luncheonette and Vegas Turnaround. Still my favorite H&O album from 1973.

Daryl wrote this song and it's a great way to start any morning!!!



When The Morning Comes (Daryl Hall And John Oates)

Had I Known you Better

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RwmLC2lY1Tw

John Oates playing one of his songs with Guthrie Trapp. John credits Jerry Ricks, his guitar coach for learning some of the music that influenced him.

Abandoned Luncheonette is John's favorite Hall & Oates album.

Is there anything more beautiful than these lyrics,

"Were you ever so in love, you couldn't wait to get to sleep and dream about the one you wished was right there beside you."

She's Gone

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bnVXIUyshng

She's Gone was Hall and Oates first big hit landing at #7 on the Billboard top 100. Many artists raved about this song as being full of sweet harmonies with a melody line full of hooks.

Good enough for Rolling Stone to include it in the greatest 500 songs of all time at #336. This is Daryl and John from the early days with She's Gone.



She's Gone (1976) - Hall & Oates

Las Vegas Turnaround (The Stewardess Song)

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QPh7L6Vl1aQ

As you may know. this song was about Sara Allen, a stewardess who had a relationship with Daryl. She was also the inspiration for "**Sara Smile**."

Sara and her Sister Jana were credited as writers on a number of Hall & Oates early hits.



Daryl Hall and John Oates - Las Vegas Turnaround | Live in Sydney | Moshcam

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War Babies - Sept 1974

That was the next album and didn't do much for me and was not received well critically. Todd Rundgren produced the Album with Hall and Oates and the LP was panned by critics.

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The Silver Album - August 1975

Heavy on the makeup and not enough songs that captured the audience, except for one. The best song on the album was

Sara Smile

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Sis-HqB9APU

When you feel cold, I'll warm me, when you feel like you can't go on…..
I'll come and hold you.

A Billboard #1 song in 1976



Sara Smile (1988) - Hall & Oates

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Bigger the Both of Us Album - Sept 1976

The songs that stood out on the Bigger than Both of Us album are:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WFya2t1nCi8



Hall & Oates - Bigger Than Both Of Us

Rich Girl

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dFucjSVFhec

a Billboard #1 Song - 1997



Hall & Oates - Rich Girl (Live)

Back Together Again

Great sax solo at the beginning of this song.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lDi5SBywrHI



Hall & Oates - Back Together Again - 12/11/1976 - Capitol Theatre

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No Goodbyes Album - Feb 1977

This album included some previously released tracks with 3 new ones that are not played often, but are definitely worth listening too.

Love you Like a Brother

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OSUzITRBUbw

"It's was always you and me and him, whiskey sour, beer and gin, we were having fun. When the night was over you'd go home together, leaving me alone, all alone."

It's Uncanny

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yMLgB2JWZMI

"It's uncanny the way you always call, when I thing about you. It's uncanny baby, the way you always know what I'm going through."

I Want to Know You for a Long Time

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RslMypu4FIU

Not played often but one of my favorite H&O tunes. **God, I love this song.....**

"You've got yours and I've got mine and what we have is so hard to define. Just take a look at your lifeline, you've got a lot to shine.

And say baby, I want to know you for a long, long time."

Just a Fabulous sax solo opening this song.



I Wanna Know You For A Long Time Daryl Hall from the LFDH 2015 Party live Video

BEAUTY ON A BACKSTREET - Oct 1977

I love the rock side of this album with the opening song

Don't Change

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jwzChHtois4

From 1977, the lead song on this album.

"I turned around and you were there.

More than a little high, more than a little crazy,

So Beautiful I Had to Stare."



Don't Change (Live 1977 @ Stanley Theatre) - Hall & Oates

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WHY DO LOVERS BREAK EACH OTHERS HEARTS

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IqUWjexzhkU

But far and away the best song on this album is **Why do Lovers Break Each Others Hearts?**

Along the Red Ledge - August 1978

It's a Laugh

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NR9PvSXPSMM

The absolute best song on this album, bar none was It's a laugh.

One of my favorite H&O songs, Charlie DeChant sets the tone for this with his strong sax solo coming out of the gates.

"Maybe i Should feel guilty, is that the American way.

you must be thinking something, but you ain't saying nothing,

you remember me, I used to be your boyfriend.



Hall & Oates - Live In Concert - 13 - It's A Laugh (HQ).mp4

August Day

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zDg9DPzvHn4

“and the sky colored heavy gray, August Day” Excellent Harmonica solo.

X-STATIC

One of my all-time favorite Hall and Oates Songs.

WAIT FOR ME

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lXZ6AstmabE

One of my all-time favorite Hall and Oates Songs.

This song has stood the test of time. The music, the harmony's - the message.

"I know you gave the best that you had,

one more chance, could it be all the hard to bear

Love is what is does and ours is doing nothing,

but all the time we spent, must be good for something.

Please forgive our love / But you've got a lot to learn if you don't think

I'm not WAITING FOR YOU"



Wait For Me (1995) - Hall & Oates

VOICES - July 1980

How Does It Feel To be Back

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DTX5VtsWb3Q

A little GE Smith action on lead guitar. How does it Feel to be Back was the first song released on the Voices album. Daryl felt the previous 2 albums were too slick so they focused on their vocal harmonies on this album and it paid off.



How Does It Feel To Be Back (Live, 1982)

Kiss on My List

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ACJ4UhVvLLs

The song was written by Daryl and Jana Allen. It was intended for Jana to sing. Jana was also a co-writer on Sara Smile, Private Eyes, Did it in a Minute and Modern Man.

Kiss on my List spent 3 weeks atop the Billboard Chart as the #1 song in the county.

My friends wonder why I call you all the time, what can I say

Because you're kiss in on my list of the best things in life.

a Billboard #1 song in 1981



Kiss On My List ~ Private Eyes (2002) - Hall & Oates

You've Lost that Loving Feeling

Hall and Oates version of the Classic Righteous Brothers Hit.

You Make My Dreams

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5ezoFMr55-Y

What many don't know is this is the most successful song for Hall & Oates because it has been used in so many commercials and movies**.**

a Billboard #1 song in 1981



You Make My Dreams

PRiVATE EYES ALBUM - Sept 1981

Private Eyes

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=854NgUms5q4

From Live by request 2003.

A Billboard #1 song in 1981



Daryl Hall & John Oates - Private Eyes Live

I Can't Go For That

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OXuw-M2RmGY

This was the fourth number 1 hit for Hall & Oates. Mr. Casual Sax, Charlie DeChant starts off playing the flute but he smokes this song with his amazing sax solo. This song is always a fan favorite in live concerts. It is a great example of Hall & Oates

greatness with the smooth melodies and great harmony and then Charlie takes over.

A Billboard #1 song in 1982



Hall & Oates - I Can't Go For That (No Can Do) (Live)

The H20 Album - Oct 1982

Maneater

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vXIPiKb-D2g

"She only comes out at night / watching and waiting

Ooohh here she comes...watch out boy, she'll chew you up."

a Billboard # 1 song in 1982



Maneater (1995) - Hall&Oates

One on One

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uyRrQ9jVTXw

Daryl calls this his anti-road song as they were on the road constantly in the early days. Lots of sports metaphors in this song to describe seduction.



One On One (2002) - Hall & Oates

ROCK & SOUL PART 1 - Oct 1983

SAY IT ISNT SO

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DBUjeu4gtfE

This version is from 1995.



Say It Isn't So (1995) - Hall & Oates

BIG BAM BOOM - Oct 1984

OUT OF TOUCH

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=v0a2U_xEiw0&list=RDv0a2U_xEiw0&start_radio=1

This version of OUT OF TOUCH is from 1991 with Tommy Tbone, rest his soul.

"Living in the middle, between the two extremes."

a Billboard #1 song in 1984



Out of Touch (1991) - Hall & Oates

METHOD OF MODERN LOVE

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Q3F4c7E9IBU

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OHH YEAH - Oct 1988

Everything your Heart Desires

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eNwOyOTe15w

This song is so catchy and great live. Charlie with the sax again.



Everything Your Heart Desires - Hall & Oates

The Atlantic Collection - Jan 1996

FALL IN PHILADELPHIA

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VT-2qR9Hv88

This version is from 1997.



Daryl Hall and Diane Birch - Fall In Philadelphia

Soul Alone by Daryl Hall in 1993

I’m in a Philly Mood

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=o1f_t9Q8Znc

This song has a great groove.



I'm In A Philly Mood (1997) - Hall & Oates

Stop Loving me, Stop Loving You

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mepYq9R5lx4

This is just a fabulous song by Daryl on his solo album. Some great sax by Charlie on this one. ***"When did you stop loving me, when did I stop loving you."***



Stop Loving me,Stop Loving You (1994) - Daryl Hall

Marigold Sky - Sept 1997

Promise Ain't Enough

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ybJY44ZClrc

"If a promise ain't enough, then a touch says everything.

Gotta hold you in my arms, til you feel what I mean."

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DO IT FOR LOVE - Feb 2003

Do it for Love

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fkPNWEXV8cg

This version is from 2003.



Hall & Oates - Do It For Love (Live, 2003)

FOREVER FOR YOU

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fkPNWEXV8cg

This version is from 2003.

Getaway Car

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bPmb_YNpQmw

"Remember when we first met, we have adventure in our eyes. We can run away, baby come as you are. You can look at my heart, as your getaway car."

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OUR KIND OF SOUL

They all made this album a constant play on the radio and launched them just on MTV as well. It included a number of their favorite motown hits including

Standing in the Shadow of Love - Four Tops

I'll Be Around - The Spinners

Used to Be My Girl - The O'Jays

Can't Get Enough of Your Love - Barry White

Me & Mrs. Jones - Billy Paul

While not on this album, Daryl has often called ***Marvin Gaye's, Mercy Mercy Me*** as one of the finest songs written.

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DO WHAT YOU WANT, BE WHAT YOU ARE

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oWRpAMXKHJo

This is the ultimate gift for any Hall and Oates fan with 4 CD's loaded with 74 songs. Everything from ***Fall in Philadelphia*** to ***Rich Girl*** and ***Do What You Want, but Be Who You Are.***

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LIVE FROM DARYL's HOUSE (LFDH)

This could be a whole other category with some very notable guests and performances with Daryl and the band.

Used to Be My Girl - with the O'Jays

Backstabbers - The O'Jays

I Saw the Light - w/ Todd Rundgren

Can We Still be Friends - Todd Rundgren

Tears of a Clown - w/ Smokey Robinson

Cruel to be Kind - w/ Nick Lowe

Someone Like You - w/ Joe Walsh

How Long - w/ Dave Stewart

No One is To Blame - w/ Howard Jones

Be Thankful for What You Got - w/ Travis McCoy

Kiss on My List - w/ Rob Thomas

Hey Soul Sister - w/ Train

Black Horse & The Cherry Tree - w/ KT Tunstall

The Weight - Tribute to T-Bone

Lost Loving Feeling - w/ Darius Rucker

This is It - w/ Kenny Loggins

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GRATITUDE

As we head into August, what are you grateful for and why?

GIVING THANKS

Are you grateful for your friends and family?

What are you doing to make our world a little better as we combine legacy with gratitude.

Let's make a conscious decision to make EVERY DAY SPECIAL with our loved ones. Our time is precious and we are here for just a few moments, so let's make those moments count.

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THANK YOU – GRAZIE – MERCI – OBRIGADO

That wraps up the August Edition of the **SALections**.

The SALections is proud to sponsor the ***Fabulous South Philly String Band.*** The SPSB became special for our family as my Uncle Rocco played accordion in the band for 30 years. We have fond memories of the parade when it began on Broad and Oregon.

The SALections sponsors the South Philly String Band in honor of Rocco Filoso!



Rocco Filoso in the South Philly String Band

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