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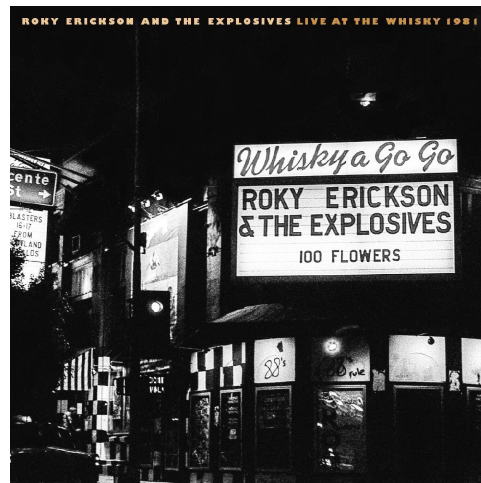
Roky Erickson and the Explosives Live at the Whisky 1981

Roky Erickson and his 13th Floor Elevators burst out of Austin, Texas onto the psychedelic scene in 1966 with their scary nugget, "You're Gonna Miss Me." A decade later, the power-popping Explosives re-ignited the Austin flame, infusing tight Beatlesque rhythms with the passionate fury of their Elevator hero. By 1979, it was downright inevitable that they come together as a tight quartet.

In 1981, Roky and the Explosives took their unique brand of Texas rock to a place that knew a thing or two about psychedelia, the legendary Whisky a Go Go in West Hollywood, California. The nightclub on the Sunset Strip had already been pivotal in the careers of other innovative rock bands like Alice Cooper, Iggy Pop, The Doors, Chicago, Led Zeppelin, and so many more. It was a perfect place for the new sound that Roky and the Explosives brought about.

Roky left us in 2019 at 71, so it's especially meaningful when new recordings can become available that keep his giant musical spirit alive. And that's what we have here. Some forty years after it took place, SteadyBoy Records is proud to present one glorious night at the Whisky with Roky and the Explosives.

--Rush Evans



Live at the Whisky 1981

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Produced by Freddie Steady Krc

Songs by Roky Erickson, unless otherwise noted

1. Heroin (Lou Reed)
 2. Bermuda
 3. You're Gonna Miss Me
 4. I Walked with A Zombie
 5. White Faces
 6. I Think Up Demons
 7. The Beast
 8. The Interpreter
 9. Starry Eyes
 10. Don't Shake Me Lucifer
 11. Stand for the Fire Demon
 12. Creature with the Atom Brain
 13. Two Headed Dog
 14. I've Just Seen A Face
(Lennon/McCartney)
 15. Bloody Hammer
- Bonus cut:**
16. Hide Behind the Sun