



## ***MEMBER BIOS***



### **Joni (Weston) Buffalohead — Lead Vocal**

[Bdewakantowan/Dakota: enrolled member of the Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate Sioux Tribe in South Dakota]

Co-founder and singer-songwriter. Growing up and attending church, Joni did not believe she could sing, she could not hit the high notes as the fellow church ladies. Later in life after becoming a mom she was discovered by her children. When Eric's band toyed with the idea to add female vocals, Joni's children highly recommended Mom to take that slot. After a few months of singing cover songs, Joni started to write music with Eric. This was the beginning of Bluedog.



### **Eric Buffalohead — Guitar**

[Ponca: enrolled member of the White Eagle Southern Ponca Tribe in Oklahoma]

Co-founder and lead guitarist, Eric's 20 years of guitar playing has taken him on a journey of performances in various categories of music including; classic rock, oldies, blues, country and reggae. His real love is the genre of blues and the Bluedog Band has been his chance to play the music that is in his heart.



### **Alexandra Buffalohead — Keyboard**

[Bdewakantowan/Dakota: enrolled member of the Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate Sioux Tribe in South Dakota]

Alex is the youngest member Bluedog lineup. Alex became a member at the age of 16. The daughter of lead vocalist Joni and lead guitarist Eric, Alex has the ability to emulate her mother's voice exactly. She has provided well-rounded backing vocals and has put years of piano lessons to good use by playing the keyboard, organ and guitar.

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### **Tom Suess — Bass**

Learning basic guitar as a young boy in the western burbs of Minneapolis, Tom picked up his first bass in Okinawa while in the Marines and hasn't stopped learning. While drawing on his country, folk and rock upbringing, he is also influenced by pretty much everything he hears from classic & modern blues, jazz, alternative, and new age. In addition to playing the 5-string bass, he also provides backup vocals in addition to occasional lead vocal and harmonica.



### **Greg Mans — Drums**

Greg is a 2nd generation professional musician. As a child, he was inspired by watching his father's band perform 'Concert In The Park' in Austin, MN. As a teen, Greg started gigging with a Country/Western band in night-clubs around Rochester, MN.

Reviving his drumming career in 1998, Greg eventually joined forces with Twin Cities/Fargo bands: 'Cold Front' and 'Mark Anthony/The Shufflecats'. In 2004, Greg played the mainstage at Moondance Jam; opening for Ronnie Baker Brooks, Little Feat, Lynyrd Skynyrd, and The Allman Brothers.

Greg spent 10 years with 'Inside Straight Blues Band' before joining Bluedog.