

# FREDDIE STEADY SOUND RECORDINGS

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## Roky Erickson and the Explosives Halloween II Live 2007

Roky Erickson and his 13<sup>th</sup> 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.

The first Halloween album captured the special Rocky/Explosives partnership in its glorious three year run of 1979 to 1981. But when Rocky Erickson got his life back together as beautifully documented in the 2005 You're Gonna Miss Me documentary, he also found his music again, and there was no band better qualified for his revival than the mighty Explosives. Together, they enjoyed an even more glorious three-year run than their first one, playing the Austin City Limits television show, the Austin City Limits Music Festival, and many other noteworthy gigs, including New York City's Bowery Ballroom on April 15, 2007. The performance and recording were so good that it had to come out, so here it is as a special Record Store Day release, with a bonus DVD included of the entire performance at the Oya Festival in Oslo Norway from the same year, plus additional concert footage and photos from the road.

The Bowery performance includes two songs that had never been released by this Rocky incarnation: Elevators' classic "Splash 1" and a cover of the classic "Before You Accuse Me."

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. So here's Rocky a month before he turned 60, singing and playing better than he had in years, thanks to his Explosive friends. And with Rocky and the Explosives, every day is Halloween.

--Rush Evans



### Halloween II Live 2007

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Produced by Freddie Steady Krc

Songs by Rocky Erickson, unless otherwise noted

#### Disc 1

1. Cold Night for Alligators
2. White Faces
3. Don't Shake Me Lucifer
4. The Interpreter
5. The Beast
6. Bermuda
7. Splash 1
8. Creature with the Atom Brain

#### Disc 2

1. Starry Eyes
2. I Think Up Demons
3. Bloody Hammer
4. Before You Accuse Me
5. Two Headed Dog (Red Temple Prayer)
6. You're Gonna Miss Me
7. I Walked with a Zombie
8. The Wind and More

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