

Atlantic Starr

Atlantic Starr is a soul outfit who hail from the east coast of America namely Greenburgh New York. Speaking with original lead vocalist Sharon Bryant in late 2012, she confirmed that trumpeter Duke Jones and drummer Porter Carroll founded a group out of the Westchester County area called Newban. Originally Newban's soundman Jonathan Lewis learnt to play trombone in the band and in enhancing their jazz funk fusion sound, Newban recruited Southroad Connection's vocalist Sharon Bryant and Jonathan Lewis's brothers, Wayne and David Lewis from a group called Unchained Youth. The first two Newban albumson Guinness Records circa 1977 were very impressive and eventually the group signed with Herb Alpert's A&M Records and became Atlantic Starr. Their 6 albums on A&M yielded many classic hit's including the commercial anthem 'Circles', 'When Love Calls', 'Touch A Four Leaf Clover', the ballads 'Always' and 'Secret Lovers' and the spiritual 'Silver Shadow' sung by Barbara Weathers. Their last two millennium concerts in 2010 at Indigo02 Greenwich and 2013 at Blackpool Luxury Soul Weekender, proved the bands professionalism and popularity has not waned. So if you missed those it's a case of third time lucky catching them at Margate Soul Festival August 2018