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15 Years of Funk: TITLE TOWN Soul & Funk Party celebrates its 15th Anniversary with DJ Andy Smith, Buscrates, Jarrett Tebbets and more 8p.m. Sat., Oct. 5th, at SPIRIT in Lawrenceville

[Pittsburgh, PA - July 18, 2024] – Not many parties last one full year, so it's with a less-than-humble nod that Founders/DJs Gordy G and J. Malls announce the 15-year anniversary of TITLE TOWN, Pittsburgh's beloved monthly soul and funk dance party, 8 p.m. Sat., Oct. 5, at Spirit in Lawrenceville. It's hard to imagine the Pittsburgh nightlife landscape without TITLE TOWN's cocktail of rare soul and deep funk; hedonism and perfectionism; Motown, disco and flagrant disregard for social norms. Fifteen years - a crystal anniversary of placing needles onto vinyl (no digital allowed) and dancing like nobody's watching alongside hundreds of your instant-closest-friends.

The DJ lineup will feature a roster of guest DJs, including local legends, up-and-coming talents, and international heavyweight, London's **DJ Andy Smith**.

DJ ANDY SMITH

The master of the multi-genre mix, **Andy Smith** became *Portishead's* tour DJ where his eclectic style was perfectly showcased on the band's 1995 and 1998 world tours, and he's been in constant demand in clubs across the globe ever since. The first ever DJ to release a multi-genre mixed compilation on a major label, Andy Smith paved the way for the masses that have come along since. **"The Document"** album series became the framework which others followed.

Having released many DJ mixes since the Document including parts 2 & 3 of that series, '**The Trojan Document'**, '**The Greensleeves Document'**, Andy Smith's Northern Soul, Andy Smith's Jam Up Twist, Andy Smith's Freestyle Mix' & Andy Smith Diggin' In The BGP Vaults' amongst others. His latest release is the 'Reach UP – Disco Wonderland' album on BBE records. Andy Smith was included in the Top 20 Greatest DJs of all time by MusicRadar.

<u>TITLE TOWN</u>

"We started TITLE TOWN 15 years ago with a simple mission: to share our passion for this music with others who feel the same," said co-founder DJ Gordy Greenawalt. "What began as a small party in East Liberty has grown into something truly special—a community of music lovers, dancers, vinyl heads, who come together to dance, sweat, and celebrate the music that moves us."

Founded and curated by DJ's J.Malls and Greenawalt, TITLE TOWN launched from the ashes of two successful DJ events: *The Big Throwback* and *Vipers Soul Club*. The former was focused on deep funk and break beats; the latter being a throwback to '60s soul and wild rhythm and blues. Today, a staple in Pittsburgh's nightlife scene, the vinyl-only TITLE TOWN is known for its consistent, electrifying and feel-good atmosphere and iconic sounds from influential record labels such as Stax and Chess mixed with hand-selected 45 RPM rarities from regional soul scenes around the U.S. - including a healthy share of songs from the Pittsburgh area that disappeared without a trace, but are well worth another shot at dancefloor fame.

TITLE TOWN'S DJs have traveled to perform in Memphis, New York, Houston, New Orleans, Los Angeles, Toronto, Austin, London and many other cities, with the night considered one of America's premier soul and funk revival events. TITLE TOWN has also shared the stage with original soul artists, including Charles Bradley, Spanky Wilson, Renaldo Domino and Sharon Jones & The Dap-Kings.

TITLE TOWN are harbingers of good times - between them, Gordy and J. have a half-century of experience DJing soul, funk, disco, '60s R&B and more around the Pittsburgh area. So it's no surprise that this anniversary comes with a roster of guest DJs who came up alongside, or were inspired by, the TT duo. There will be a dance contest, giveaways and, most of all, the wild, sweaty energy that has defined TITLE TOWN for 15 years.

TITLE TOWN 15th ANNIVERSARY DJs J Malls & Gordy G with Special Guests 8 p.m. Sat., Oct. 5, at SPIRIT in Lawrenceville Advance tickets via <u>https://www.ticketleap.events/tickets/titletown/title-town-soul-funk-party-15-year-anniversary</u>

FURTHER DETAILS + QUOTES BELOW:

Guest DJs include:

DJ Andy Smith (Ex-Portishead, The Document series) Buscrates (DJ, Producer, Bastard Jazz Recordings) Jarrett Tebbets (Hot Mass, Spaghetti Disco, Disco Sunday Disco) Moemaw Naedon (DJ, MC, Producer, Soul Slime Records) Dini Daddy (DJ) Vamay (DJ, Producer)

Previous guest DJs have included Brad Hales (People's Records, Detroit), Mr. Fine Wine (Downtown Soulville, Bumpshop NYC), Miss Shing-A-Ling (NYC), Skeme Richards (Philadelphia), Scarce One (Germany), The Honey Dripper (Daptone Records), Baby Alcatraz (Save Your Soul), Rob Macy (Save Your Soul), Kevin "DJ Nitekrawler" Coombe (Moneytown, DC Soul Recordings), Juddy Hopper (Soulcialism, Vipers Soul Club), Jared "JBX" Boxx (Big City Records, Bumpshop NYC), Robert Wells (Ann Arbor Soul Club)

"TITLE TOWN has always been about more than just the music—it's about creating a trusted and connected experience on the dance floor," added Greenawalt. "Whether you're a seasoned vinyl enthusiast or someone who just loves to dance, there's something magical about the vibe at TITLE TOWN that keeps people coming back every month. We truly believe in the healing power of this music and hope for a few hours every month our crowd can take something from this music and energy - to bring some comfort or joy. "

Selected tracks: Steel City Disco - Steel City Connection; The Burg (Pittsburgh, Pa.) - Larry McGee Revolution; Those Lonely Nights - Soul Communicaters; I Want To Be Loved By You - Family Of Eve; Don't Make Me Love You - The Huns' Review; You Better Stop It - Barbara Mason; Date With the Rain - Eddie Kendricks; You Can Win - Bileo; Gonna Find A True Love - Bottom & Company; Spanky Wilson - You; Satisfaction Guaranteed - Satin Whip; Running Back and Forth - Edwin Starr

TITLE TOWN's 15 Year Anniversary will take place on Saturday, October 5th at Spirit, located at 242 51st St. Pittsburgh, PA 15201. Doors open at 8:00 PM. Tickets can be purchased in advance through TicketLeap.com, with a limited number available at the door.

For more information about TITLE TOWN and to stay updated on the anniversary celebration, visit www.titletownpgh.com or follow TITLE TOWN on Facebook and Instagram.

TICKETS

Tickets on sale at <u>TicketLeap.com</u>

\$10 Discounted Early-Bird Tickets (General Admission, very limited, available online)\$15 Advance Tickets (General Admission, available online)\$20 tickets at the door (General Admission, available at the door the day of the event)

ABOUT TITLE TOWN

TITLE TOWN is a monthly dance party in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania featuring DJs spinning an eclectic, all-vinyl 45 RPM mix of '60s and Northern soul, deep funk, Motown, disco, vintage R&B, Latin soul and more every first Saturday at Spirit Lodge.

ABOUT SPIRIT

A champion of DJ events, concerts, art and dance, Spirit boasts two levels of music and dancing, a crisp sound system, full bar, and pizzeria. Located in the Lawrenceville neighborhood of Pittsburgh, PA.

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