

DAVE "Snaker" RAY

DAVE "SNAKER" RAY was one of the driving forces in the folk music revival of the '60s. He came back into the spotlight with the reissue of "Blues, Rags & Hollers," the classic release he recorded in the early 1960s with Tony "Little Sun" Glover and "Spider" John Koerner. This influential trio recorded five LPs for Elektra Records, featuring an intriguing mix of string band, ragtime and country blues. The group performed at the Newport and Philadelphia Folk Festivals, and later in the '70s and '80s they reunited for special events such as the Winnipeg Folk Festival and Sing Out Magazine's 30th Anniversary Concert. In the late '60s, DAVE RAY built a recording studio in the northern woods of Minnesota and started his own independent record label, Sweet Jane, Ltd.. During this period, he produced Bonnie Raitt's first release with Warner Brothers. DAVE RAY has maintained an active



partnership with Tony Glover, and the duo has a long-standing weekly gig at the Times Bar & Grill in Minneapolis. In the last few years, the duo has released two recordings that highlight Dave's six and twelve-string guitar virtuosity on an assortment of blues and ragtime classics. This summer marked a milestone in Dave's illustrious musical career - he joined former partners Tony Glover and John Koerner for an intimate live recording. It was the first time the trio had recorded together in well over a decade. With a renewed interest in his music, it's a fine time to see DAVE RAY, one of the most important performers to come out of the Twin Cities.

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