



## SO BIG

IS A 5-PIECE BAND THAT HAS SOME OF THE MOST GIFTED MUSICIANS IN THE TWIN CITIES AREA.

They are fun and exceptionally talented individuals with a wide array of experience and backgrounds in all types of music. **SO BIG** offers a very wide variety of classic to current rock and country rock music. Beside the strong instrumental ability, the incredible vocal performance stands out on top. It's rare to have so much vocal ability combined in one band...but **SO BIG** has just that. Three strong lead singers helps So Big stand out above the rest. Once you've heard them, you'll never forget them.

Audience participation is a key factor to a fun and successful show! **SO BIG** will have you dancing from start to finish, bringing you back with some of the greatest hits of the 80's to the current songs of today. You are bound to have a great time!!

From large festivals to small intimate parties, **SO BIG** can accommodate any function. A very professional and committed group of musicians, who undoubtedly know how to have fun.

### MEET THE BAND:

**Nicole Holzinger** — Lead vocals, harmonies

**Todd Holzinger** — Lead vocals, harmonies, keyboard

**Jim White** — Lead vocal, harmonies, bass

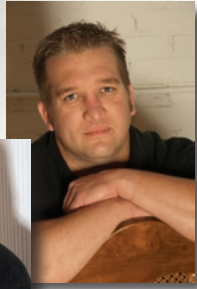
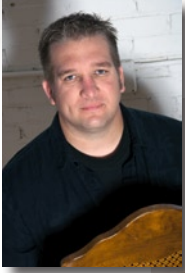
**Rick "RJ" Johnson** — Lead guitar

**Christian "Big D" Dady** — Drummer



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# BIOs



## TODD HOLZINGER

**LEAD VOCAL \_ KEYBOARD \_ HARMONIES**

Todd was born in Ocean Port, New Jersey at the Army Base his father was stationed at during the Vietnam War. At the "ripe age" of 6 weeks in a cardboard box in the back seat of a Mustang, he made his way home to Minnesota. Growing up in Bloomington, Todd was always into music. He learned piano and drums at a young age, and was the leader in his choral programs both in high school and college. **After attending Moorehead State University for 2 years studying music industry, Todd was not happy with the direction he was headed. So he made the switch to the recording engineering program at Music Tech in Minneapolis. This lead to an internship, and then a job as a house sound, lighting and video engineer at "Mississippi Live". It was there that he got his "foot in the Door" in the Minneapolis music scene. Working with many local and national talents, he obtained a wealth of knowledge and experience in both the "tech" and "performance" sides of live music.** Today, after working with many bands, he has landed with what he considers "the most talented group of musicians I have ever had the pleasure of working with". He calls this "the most fun" he has had on stage and hopes to continue down this "So Big" road, where ever it may lead!"

**INFLUENCES \_ BILLY JOEL, THE EAGLES, JOURNEY, AND SO ON...**



## JIM WHITE

**LEAD VOCAL \_ BASS GUITAR \_ HARMONIES**

Jim was born and raised in Des Moines, Iowa where he first learned to play the guitar. At the age of ten, his father moved the family to Northeastern Minnesota where Jim went through his teens and early 20's performing in high school and college plays and musicals. He also performed in various local bands. **After many years of performing all types of music, Jim has settled in with a band that's fun and can perform "just about anything". Playing the bass guitar and singing his heart out every time is what he enjoys the most on stage with the group "So Big".**

**INFLUENCES \_ STEVE PERRY, THE BEATLES, ELVIS, AND MANY MORE**



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## NICOLE HOLZINGER

LEAD VOCAL \_ KEYBOARD \_ HARMONIES

Born in Rosemont, MN, Nicole grew up listening to and singing country music. This is what she remembers most about her childhood years. Her mom always said, "she has been singing before she could walk" and has been ever since. After graduating from Winona State University in 1994, she moved back to Minneapolis where she continued to sing. **Throughout the next several years she continued to expand her singing career with a variety of bands; doing demos for songwriters and also radio and TV ads. Singing everything from old country to the 80's, to most current pop and country music. Nicole brings a strong voice and colorful personality to the most enjoyable band she has ever performed with, "SO BIG".**

INFLUENCES \_ MARTINA MCBRIDE, EAGLES, JOURNEY



## RICK "RJ" JOHNSON

LEAD RHYTHM GUITAR

Rick first picked up the guitar when he was 8 years old after watching his uncle play. From then on it has become a "passion" for him to learn how to play. Rick learned on his own without lessons, thus developing his own "style." **He has played in many different bands throughout the years. In 2004 he joined up with the other members of "so big" and brought "a little rock & roll" feel to an established country band. Since then "so big" has been a blast to play in and Rick feels very honored to be playing with such a wide variety of awesome talent.**

INFLUENCES \_ ERIC CLAPTON, NEAL SCHON, VITO BRATO, GARY MOORE, S.R.V., GARY RICHGRATH AND DAVID GILMOUR



## CHRISTIAN "BIG D" DADY

DRUMMER

A native of Northeast Minneapolis, Christian has been playing drums for over 25 years. During that time, he has played with many different types of bands including: metal, rock, jazz, blues and alternative. He put the sticks away for awhile and found himself working in radio, but eventually returned to his first love—music. **Christian states "I really love being a part of this band. Everyone in "So Big" is an accomplished musician that also realizes the point of music, first and foremost, is to HAVE FUN!"**

INFLUENCES \_ KELLY KEAGY (NIGHT RANGER), DAVID HUFF (GIANT), STEVE SMITH AND DEAN CASTRONOVO (JOURNEY), ALAN WHITE (YES), JOHN MOLO (BRUCE HORNSBY), CHRIS LAYTON (SRV & DOUBLE TROUBLE)



## SONG LIST

<b>Title</b>	<b>Artist</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Artist</b>
Shook Me All Night Long	AC/DC	My Own Worst Enemy	LIT
Summer of 69	Adams, Bryan	Heaven	Los Lonely Boys
Heaven	Adams, Bryan	Gimme 3 Steps	Lynard Skynard
Save a Horse, Ride a Cowboy	Big & Rich	Sweet Home Alabama	Lynard Skynard
Fooled Around and Fell In Love	Bishop, Elvin	Harder to Breathe	Maroon 5
Living On A Prayer	Bon Jovi	Independence Day	McBride, Martina
I Want You to Want Me	Cheap Trick	Two More Bottles of Wine	McBride, Martina
Wonderful Tonight	Clapton, Eric	Authority Song	Mellancamp, John
Brick House	Commadors	Jack & Diane	Mellancamp, John
Sweet Caroline	Diamond, Neal	Brown Eyed Girl	Morrison, Van
Heartache Tonight	Eagles	Hot Child in the City	Nick Gilder
Burnin Love	Elvis	Sister Christian	Night Ranger
All Right Now	Free	When You Close Your Eyes	Night Ranger
Keep Your Hands to Yourself	Georgia Satalites	Still the One	Orleans
Somekind of Wonderful	Grand Funk Railroad	Bad Case of Lovin' You	Palmer, Robert
Basket Case	Green Day	Mustang Sally	Picket, Wilson
Sweet Child of Mine	Guns-n-Roses	Fire	Pointer Sisters
Centerfold	J. Geils	Nothing But a Good Time	Poison
Middle	Jimmy Eat World	1999	Prince
Piano Man	Joel, Billy	Purple Rain	Prince
Anyway You Want It	Journey	Keep On Loving You	R.E.O. Speedwagon
Don't Stop Believin'	Journey	Roll with the Changes	R.E.O. Speedwagon
Faithfully	Journey	Honky Tonk Woman	Rolling Stones
Lights	Journey	Good-bye to You	Scandal
Lovin', Touchin', Squeezin'	Journey	Everybody Wants You	Squier, Billy
Separate Ways	Journey	Semi-charmed Life	Third Eye Blind
Stone in Love	Journey	Jenny, Jenny (867-5309)	Tommy Tutone
Hot & Cold	Katy Perry	Hold the Line	Toto
My Life Would Suck Without You	Kelly Clarkson	Dance the Night Away	Van Halen
My Sharona	Knack, The	Play That Funky Music	Wild Cherry
Word Up	Korn / Cameo	Here for the Party	Wilson, Gretchen
Need You Now	Lady Antebellum	Tush	ZZ Top
Raise Your Glass	Pink		

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