

# Throwback: Rufus Featuring Chaka Khan: Stop On By



Rufus featuring Chaka Khan, covered Bobby Womack's "Stop On By" for their 1974 album, *Rufusized*. The band had broken through with their sophomore album, *Rags to Rufus*, thanks to the Stevie Wonder composition "Tell Me Something Good" and "You Got The Love," written by Khan and Ray Parker Jr. They didn't want to lose their momentum so they quickly recorded *Rufusized*. Womack and Truman Thomas wrote "You're Welcome, Stop On By," which appeared on Womack's 1974 album, *Lookin' for a Love Again*. Commercially speaking, *Rufusized* was driven

by the singles “Once You Get Started” and “Please Pardon Me (You Remind Me Of A Friend)” leaving the band’s cover of “Stop On By” as an album cut. Black radio played the song during night programming and fans were happy to compare both versions since they came out the same year.

*Rufus* went platinum and hit the Top Ten on the pop and R&B charts. Their third album announced their arrival as a certified mainstream attraction and tour headliner. Rufus dissolved after their 1983 final studio album, *Seal in Red*. Chaka Khan had started her solo career in 1978 and those obligations made her role in Rufus difficult. Khan released her 11th studio album, *Hello Happiness*, in 2019. In 2023, Chaka Khan was inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame. Khan is part of The Queens Tour lineup with Stephanie Mills, Patti LaBelle, and Gladys Knight kicking off in the spring of 2025.

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## **LL Cool J, Nina Simone, The Meters & Rufus Featuring Chaka Khan Are 2018 Nominee For The Rock & Roll Hall Of Fame**

[youtube id="A5VlshF5xCQ"] The Rock and Roll Hall Of Fame announced the 2018 nominees today. LL Cool J, Chaka Khan Featuring Rufus, The Meters, Nina Simone, Sister Rosetta Tharpe and Eurythmics are among the 19 voting choices. Music

industry professionals and artists will cast their vote and the five nominees with the most support become the new inductees. Fans can also vote for their picks out of the nominees [here](#). The five most popular vote-getters chosen by the public form one ballot and they are taken into consideration with the same amount of importance as the other submitted ballots.