ROGER SICHEL

PHOTOJOURNALIST & CULTURAL OBSERVER



ABOUT ROGER SICHEL:

Photographer, Festival Producer and Artist, Roger's prolific creative experience spans generations and genres. From creating New York's first ever Erotic Film Festival with judges Andy Warhol, Milos Forman and Gore Vidal, to producing concerts for The Doors, Four Seasons and Isaac Hayes nationwide, Roger identifies most as a cultural observer and photographic journalist.

His photographs documenting 60's and 70's music lifestyle, particularly those heralded during the Woodstock era, have been featured in various Hearst & McGraw Hill Publications, Rock & Screw Magazine, and many more.

In the 90's and early 2000's, he took a break from his career as an artist to pursue successful sojourns in film, university lecturing and most importantly, technological and entrepreneurial innovations.

Roger has now entered the next phase of his artistic career and is choosing to explore neo-pop mixed media, inspired by his own life, as well as current events, while simultaneously preserving the legacy of his work in photojournalism.



AMERICAN BOY Woodstock, 1969

OODSTOCK, 1969 18x24

"I've been looking around, and I noticed something: how much you really need to be loved. Ambition isn't just a desperate quest for positions or money. It's just love, lots of love."

- JANIS JOPLIN



THE LAST SHOW

Janis Joplin Shea Stadium, 1970 20x26



KEEP IT CLEAN Woodstock 1969 18x24



MICK AND THE GUN Woodstock, 1969 20x26

"Woodstock happened in August 1969, long before the Internet and mobile phones made it possible to communicate instantly with anyone, anywhere. It was a time when we weren't able to witness world events or the horrors of war live on 24-hour news channels.

- RICHIE HAVENS



FREE LOVE Woodstock, 1969 18x24 or 34x44



STARGAZING Woodstock, 1969 20x26



NEGOTIATIONS WOODSTOCK, 1969 24x30



THE KIDS Woodstock, 1969 18x24

"In 1969, I gave up women and alcohol - it was the worst 20 minutes of my life."

-GEORGE BEST



STOP DON'T COP New York City, 1973 18x24



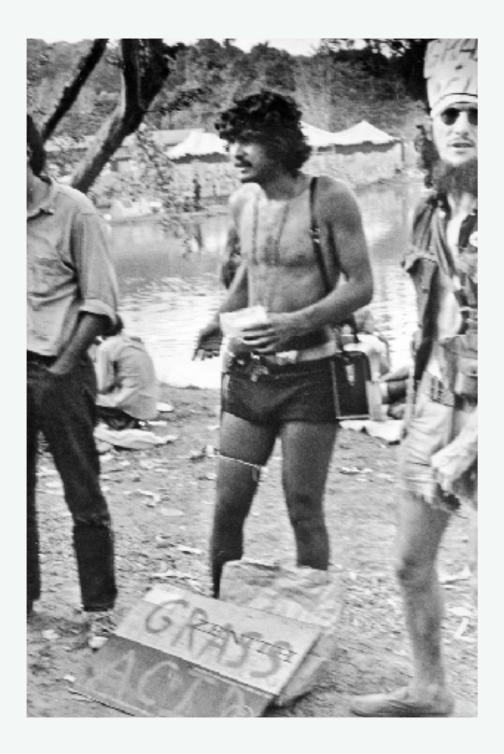
DON'T BRING ME DOWN Powder Ridge, CT 1973 18x24



TEN WHEEL DRIVE GENYA RAVEN Shea Stadium, 1970 22x28



ROADSIDE PICKUP WOODSTOCK, 1969 18x24



GRASS FOR SALE UPSTATE NY, 1970 18x24



THRILLING SPENCER DRATE UPSTATE NY, 1970 18x24



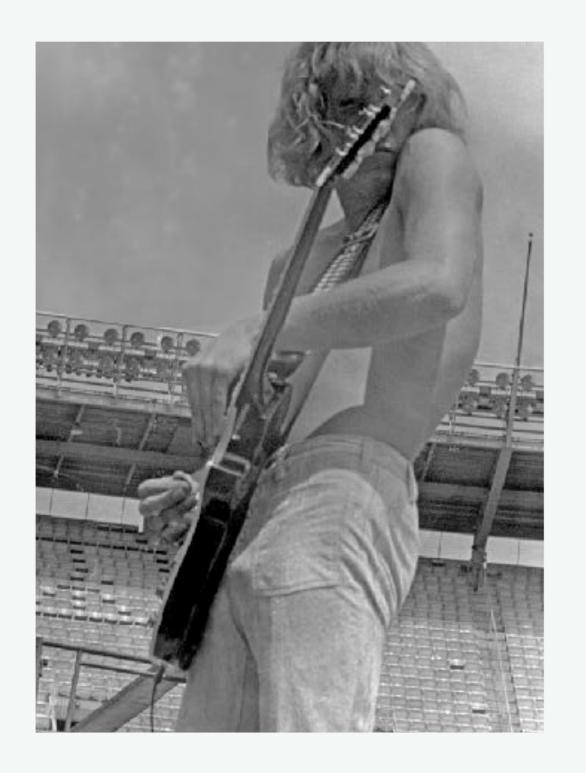
BEACHCOMBER VIRGINIA BEACH, 1972

"I'll never forget that moment looking out over the hundreds of thousands of people, the sea of humanity, seeing all those people united in such a unique way. It just touched me in a way that I'll never forget."

- GORDON WINTER



HOOCHIE COO JOHNNY WINTER SHEA STADIUM,1970 18x24



ALL NIGHT LONG JOE WALSH Shea Stadium, 1970 18x24



ARE YOU READY PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC SHEA STADIUM, 1970 18x24



SHAKE YOUR MONEYMAKER PAUL BUTTERFIELD BLUES BAND SHEA STADIUM, 1970 18x24

"I go to parties, sometimes until four. It's hard to leave when you can't find the door"

-JOE WALSH

1) <u>AMERICAN BOY</u> - a patriotic hippie spreads the love in 1969 at the original Woodstock Music Festival in Bethel, NY.

2) JANIS JOPLIN - American music legend Janis Joplin backstage on August 6, 1970 at Shea Stadium's Festival For Peace.. This was snapped at her final performance, where she shared the stage with Big Brother & The Holding Company in NYC, just before her sudden & unexpected death at 27 years old, less than 2 months later.

3) <u>KEEP IT CLEAN</u> - Health conscious Organic Drug merchants set up shop for reasonable prices. Beginning of healthy organic recreational drug movement, 1969

4) <u>MICK & THE GUN</u> - The greeting I received at the commune's front door when I entered as an "invited" photojournalist for Rock magazine photo shoot booking.

5) FREE LOVE - An notable film producer (who shall remain anonymous) is busy stealing a kiss in the heart of the free love movement.

6) <u>STARGAZING</u>- Another hot afternoon waiting in line for the restroom at Woodstock Music Festival in 1969.

7) <u>NEGOTIATIONS</u> - Trying to stay cool on another hot day at Woodstock Music Festival 1969.

8) <u>THE KIDS</u> - A comfortable stay with the kids at Woodstock: Welcome Home after a long day of mud & music.

<u>9)</u> STOP DON'T COP - One of the earliest attempts at legalizing pot in N.Y. in the early 1970's.

10) DON'T BRING ME DOWN - Town officials cancel major Rock and Roll Music Festival event at Powder Ridge, Connecticut, a small northeast ski resort; tens of thousands partied together anyway, despite orders.

11) TEN WHEEL DRIVE - Genys Raaven at Peace Festival NYC at Shea Stadium, better known as Goldie of Goldie & The Gingerbreads, an all girl band, before she moved on to "10 Wheel Drive". She toured with the Animals, the Rolling Stones, and the Yardbirds. "Can't You Hear My Heartbeat?" was her famous single. In 2011, she was recognized by the Rock n Roll Hall of Fame. She also did "Eye of the Needle" with "10 Wheel Drive."

12) ROADSIDE PICKUP - On 1869 motorcycle ride to Woodstock - very slow travel and perhaps more than meets the eye.

13) GRASS FOR SALE - The grass is always greener, even in mud. Selling grass by the water at a 1970's rock convert upstate. Coming soon to a store near you!

14) THRILLING - Ran into my old buddy Spencer Drate, who later became the world renowned album cover designer for Michael Jackson's Thriller album as well as many additional rock album covers. Drate also authored many books and his artwork is housed in the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame and the Museum of Modern Art in NYC.

15) BEACHCOMBER - Girl at Virginia Beach 1972, contemplating her future through the grains of sand.

16) HOOCHIE COO - Johnny Winter, August 1970, Shea stadium festival for peace, a Rock N Roll legend famous for his song "Hoochie Coo"

17) ALL NIGHT LONG - Shea Stadium 1970, Joe Walsh performed with the James Gang, best known for playing with the Eagles. Uber talented guitarist, compser, singer & known for "Rocky Mountain Way" & "Help me Through the Night"

18) ARE YOU READY - Pacific Gas and Electric Band Shea Stadium Peace Festival, 1970

19) SHAKE YOUR MONEYMAKER - Paul Butterfield at Shea Stadium 1970. Paul Butterfield Blues Band rocketed the blue straight into the stratosphere as one of the first integrated Blues Bands with mass appeal, inspiring people from all walks of life to sing the blues.