

Rembrandts: ^{the} REMBRANDTS

<http://www.therembrandts.net/index.html>

Background

The Rembrandts formed in 1990, when Danny Wilde & Phil Solem, who had previously been in the band Great Buildings, teamed up to record some demos in Wilde's Southern California garage/studio. Atco Records was so impressed that the demos were released 'as is' as The Rembrandts. It featured the smash hit Just The Way It Is, Baby. The top 20 hit and subsequent singles garnered critical acclaim and propelled the debut album into the Billboard Hot 100. Two years later, the duo followed with their second album, Untitled, featuring the Top 40 hit Johnny Have You Seen Her. Two albums in, The Rembrandts had gained popularity not only for their hit songs, but for their signature harmonies and catchy hooks that filled their albums from start to finish.

By 1995, Solem & Wilde had completed a third album. But before its release, the duo agreed to record the theme song to a forthcoming television series. The band asked to do it anonymously, but when 'Friends' became a worldwide hit, the record label demanded that Phil & Danny record a full length version and add it to the album. I'll Be There For You was the #1 song on radio, their album, LP, went multi-platinum, and The Rembrandts became household names. After a couple years of touring endlessly behind a song that didn't really reflect The Rembrandts sound, the duo split up in 1997. But by 2000 they had reunited and in 2001 released another critically acclaimed album, Lost Together. In 2005, they released a collection of re-recorded hits called Choice Picks. The following year, Rhino released a 20 song collection, The Rembrandts Greatest Hits. The Rembrandts continue to tour and record while also finding time for solo projects.

Lost Together (September 11, 2001)

