



**Baby Charles are a special band.
Their funky music is
simultaneously tight but loose, heavy but
soulful and dirty... yet beautiful.**

- VOCALS
- GUITAR
- FLUTE
- DRUMS

**DIONNE CHARLES
TOBY SENDALL
GEORGINA CARROLL
GRAHAM SOWERBY**

- BASS
- SAXOPHONE
- TROMBONE
- KEYBOARDS

**SIMON HILL
SIGI BEARE
WILL RUMFITT
LEE NICKLEN**

Fronted by soul sensation Dionne Charles; the guitar, bass, keys, drums, flute, sax and trombone lay down the deeply funky and soulful tunes. Inspired by the late-sixties from the likes of The J.B.s and The Meters, Baby Charles certainly deliver the soulful goods.

This band knows how to play a fine repertoire of songs, ranging from old and rare soul-funk classics to other more obscure grooves with a heavier essence of cool-psych. Their own material certainly wins audiences and influences their listeners to move to the music. Baby Charles have several records out there, including a debut album which was released in 2008 and three 45's: 'No Controlling Me', 'Back of My Hand' and 'I Bet You Look Good on the Dance Floor', released in 2006, 2007 and 2008 respectively. These records have made their way all over the world.

They have received immediate praise from some of the highest ranking funk DJ's such as: Snowboy, Keb Darge, Jazzman Gerald, Monk One, and especially Andy Smith who snapped up their debut 45 for his 'Let's Boogaloo Vol 4' compilation, and got them to play at the album's launch party at Cargo in 2007. Mark Lamarr was so impressed by their debut single he invited the band to record six tracks live in session for his God's Jukebox show on BBC Radio 2. Baby Charles' music can be heard on radio stations world-over.

July 2007 saw Baby Charles supporting The James Taylor Quartet at the Soul Cookers Hammond Funk Festival in Saint-Paul, Marseilles. That same month, the mixing of the band's debut album was completed and sent to Mark Lamarr who played their cover version of the Arctic Monkeys track: 'I Bet You Look Good on the Dancefloor' on the daytime Jonathan Ross slot for BBC Radio 2. Mr Lamarr also wrote the sleeve notes for the Baby Charles debut album, which was released by Italian label Record Kicks in March 2008. Later on in the year the album was released in Japan by P-Vine records.

To date, Baby Charles can be seen performing all over Europe and sometimes playing and playing alongside many top artists such as Fred Wesley, The New JB's, Angie Stone, Incognito, etc. They are sometimes offered requests to play in countries further afield such as America, Canada, Australia, Cuba, Brazil etc. Baby Charles are currently busy working on their second album which is due for release in 2010.