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07. Texas - 5:22 08. Your Love Was Never Mine - 4:01 09. I Got Love - 4:07 10. Child Of Two Worlds - 3:33 11. No Good For Me - 3:21

Joanna Connor (guitar, vocals), Anthony Palmer (guitar), Jim Spake (saxophones), Scott Thompson (trumpet), Greg Redding (keyboards), Stan Mixon (bass), Tim Austin, Brian "BJ" Jones (drums), Jackie Reddick, Jackie Johnson (background vocals).

Brooklyn-born, Massachusetts-raised Joanna Connor was drawn to the Chicago blues scene like a bee to a half-full soda can. Connor, a fiery guitarist raised in the 1970s -- when rock & roll was all over the mass media -- just wanted to play blues. She was born August 31, 1962, in Brooklyn, N.Y., and raised by her mother in Worcester, MA. She benefitted from her mother's huge collection of blues and jazz recordings, and a young Connor was taken to see people like Taj Mahal, Bonnie Raitt, Ry Cooder and Buddy Guy in concert.

Connor got her first guitar at age seven. When she was 16, she began singing in Worcester-area bands, and when she was 22, she moved to Chicago. Soon after her arrival in 1984, she began sitting in with Chicago regulars like James Cotton, Junior Wells, Buddy Guy and A.C. Reed. She hooked up with Johnny Littlejohn's group for a short time before being asked by Dion Payton to join his 43rd Street Blues Band. She performed with Payton at the 1987 Chicago Blues Festival. Later that year, she was ready to put her own band together.

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