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Name: Eric Garth Hudson

Years: August 2, 1937- Present

Residence: West Saugerties, New York near Woodstock

Brief Biography: Born in Windsor, Ontario, Hudson was the son of musicians. He attended University of Western Ontario for music. As a child he played organ during services at St. Luke's Anglican Church. He found a niche when he joined a rock and roll group, the Capers, from 1958 through 1961. From 1961 till 1963 he became the music consultant, organist, and saxophonist for Ronnie Hawkins and the Hawks. Hawkins split from the group in '63. In 1966 the Hawks were introduced to Bob Dylan and accompanied him on a tour. At the conclusion of the long tour the band bought and lived in a pink house in West Saugerties, New York near Woodstock. By 1968 the Hawks became known as The Band and released their debuted album *Music From Big Pink*. Up until 1976, the Band toured and recorded around the world. This final concert was recorded in Martin Scorsese's film, "The Last Waltz." After the split, Hudson collaborated with many musicians to make albums as well as directors on soundtracks such as

“The Right Stuff” and Martin Scorsese’s films “Raging Bull”. The Band often reunited in the 80s and 90s. In 1991, he moved back to Woodstock and recorded three more albums with the Band.

In 2001 he released his first solo album.

Major Achievements: Garth was inducted into the JUNO Hall of Fame (The Band), 1989, The Rock and Roll Hall of Fame (The Band), 1994, Hamilton Dofasco Lifetime of Achievement Award (The Band), 2007, and Grammy Lifetime of Achievement Award (The Band), 2008.

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