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## **The Yardbirds - Yardbirds First Guitarist Top Topham Rejoins Group For 2015 U.s. Tour**

Rock supergroup The Yardbirds have brought back their original guitarist, Top Topham, for a new U.S. tour.

The British band, which has featured Eric Clapton, Jeff Beck and Jimmy Page as members, has reunited with Topham, who left the line-up in the mid-1960s to continue with his studies.

Topham, who was replaced by a young Clapton, will return to the group alongside founder Jim McCarty, bassist Kenny Aaronson and singer Myke Scavone, who previously fronted Ram Jam.

McCarty co-founded the band with singer Keith Relf, Chris Dreja, Paul Samwell-Smith and Topham in 1963.

The new-look Yardbirds have a string of U.S. dates planned for 2015, beginning with two shows in Connecticut on 3 and 4 April (15).