BLUESunday
April 7, 2013

20 Years of
Keepin’ Carolina Blue!

Come celebrate the promotion and preservation of Blues and Blues Musicians in our area!

Kickin’ off the festivities is The Donna Duncan Band, followed by the Sonny Skyyz Super Jam!

Music ... Food ... Silent Auction ... More Music ... & Lots of Fun!!!
IMPORTANT DATES — MARK YOUR CALENDAR!
April 7 — CBS 20th Anniversary Party
June 7-9 — Taste of Charlotte
June 22 — Lake Norman’s 50th Year Celebration
Oct. 18-19 — Blues & BBQ Festival
Oct. 19 — Solo/Duo Competition

Well, it's almost here! CBS is turning 20 years young! I have been a participant, then board member, then Secretary (twice), interim President and now President...whew! What a whirlwind ride it has been. As this is my last year as Prez, it is a blessing to see CBS turn twenty – many other societies don't make it this long. Thanks to all the members, musicians, and volunteers for making this happen.

We have great line up for the Anniversary party on April 7th. Kicking things off is Charlotte's own... The Donna Duncan Band. And then we will jam the night away with the "Sonny Skyyzz Super Jam! " It is guaranteed to be a Super Anniversary Celebration! We will have a silent auction and raffle items, so come prepared to shop.

Some other things in the works: We have been offered a booth at the NC Brewer's Festival in Rural Hill in May, we will have a vending booth at the Taste of Charlotte in June, and then join us at the lake in June for Lake Norman's 50th Anniversary Celebration. There are a few more things and shows around town that are being worked on as we speak. If you hear of an event that you think we should be a part of, let us know.

And don't forget...The Bluesletter and the Blues Blast are great places for members to advertise their goods & services, and you get the first one Free as a member. See Rita for details.

And a big Thank You to Carolina Prime Steakhouse for offering CBS members a discount during our 20th year. (See Coupon Inside).

We're gettin' ready for the Party... See you at the gig!

Jeri Thompson, President
Diva

How do you keep your beer cool during our hot jams??

ONLY $3

CBS TEES
Long-sleeve & Short-sleeve
White on Blue    Blue on White
Prices range from $15 to $25
Pick up yours at BLUESunday or order from our website at
Chefs! Cooks! Kitchen Dabblers!
Follow me!
I’ve got my special treat for the big party!
Let’s see what goodies YOU can bring to the Hospitality Table!!

Check your attic! Check your basement!
We’re looking for some great treasures for the Silent Auction!
What treasure will YOU donate?
(Don’t forget to check around the Silent Auction tables for something to take back home too!)
Rick Ballew’s Challenge to YOU!

“I’m going to bring one new member to the club this year. Not just another name on the books, a member that wants to be involved. That potential member will get me more involved by getting them involved. One year to find an involved member?”

If we all get just one, we double our membership.

We are looking to bring you some great shows, so we are having a $20 for 20 Years Campaign.

Now we know everybody can’t do a lot of money, so it will be your choice of what to donate. But we do need the funds to bring in some great shows for your enjoyment this year. And we are a 501(c)3 organization so it’s tax deductible.

The Paypal link (below) is all set up if you wish to contribute to the cause:

https://www.paypal.com/cgi-bin/webscr?cmd=_s-xclick&hosted_button_id=7LMMW4RKD6ZHQ

Also at www.charlottebluessociety.org

PERKS!

We are always looking for incentives to pass on to our fellow members, so if your company or business offers discounts for non-profits and their members or if you work for a matching contributions company, let us know!!!

SPREAD THE WORD!

Solo/Duo Competition

Oct. 19

Performances will be held at the Blues & BBQ Festival in downtown Charlotte

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

VOLUNTEERS WILL BE NEEDED!

Fri.-Sun. - June 7-9: Taste of Charlotte

- CBS has a beer booth which generates money through percentage of sales.
- It’s also an opportunity to expose us to Charlotte.
- We’ll need a BIG membership volunteer staff to work the booth in shifts.
- With enough volunteers, we may also work a change booth.

Sat. - June 22: Lake Norman’s 50th Year Celebration

- An all-day party held at Queen’s Landing 11am-11pm
- WSGE on site
- Blues starts at 5pm with several of our area Blues bands, including Part-Time Blues Band.
- Volunteer needs to be identified closer to date.

Fri.-Sat. - Oct. 18-19: Blues & BBQ Festival

- It’s back in downtown Charlotte!
- CBS will set up on the corner of 2nd & Tryon Streets.
- Two stages at the event but one is for BLUES! (Delta Moon is our headliner for Friday night.)
- Saturday afternoon will be the CBS solo/duo competition for the IBCs.
- CBS will have a beer booth to run with 12% of sales going to CBS.
- Volunteers needed for both days. (Friday will be the shorter day).
- More info to come over the next 6 months.
Effective March, 2013, CBS members are entitled to a one-year FREE membership to the Carolina Entertainment Network (CEN)!

To attend the CEN Mixers, you will need to have your current Charlotte Blues Society membership card with you or pay their cover.

(If you don’t have a card, come by the Membership Counter on BLUESunday, or email fulobluz@gmail.com)

The next mixer is ... **Wednesday, April 24, 2013 at 7:00 pm**

Kennedy’s Premium Bar & Grill
366 N. Caswell Road, Charlotte, NC

The Carolina Entertainment Network (CEN) is a membership-based non-profit organization dedicated to the development and promotion of music and entertainment in both Carolinas (NC & SC) while creating a united and supportive community for musicians, entertainers, industry professionals, venues, production professionals and related businesses throughout North & South Carolina.

Our Mission... To foster a united and supportive regional community of music and entertainment industry professionals through innovative programs, education, outreach and networking that will help empower the creative community in the Carolinas. While working to establish the Carolinas as a desired entertainment destination for music fans worldwide by working to build a vibrant and sustainable music/entertainment scene.

www.carolinaentertainmentnetwork.org

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**20% Off For 20 Years!**

To celebrate 20 years of “Keepin’ Carolina Blue,” Carolina Prime Steakhouse is offering Charlotte Blues Society Members 20% Off Dinner for Two on Regular Menu Food Items*

To redeem, must present coupon at time of order. Feel free to use this coupon as often as you like. You may be asked to show your CBS Membership Card.

(*Does not include Specials or Specialty Menu, alcohol, or gratuity)
Lots of dancing’ last month with Gumbo Motion and friends.
**BLUES CAMP 2013**

For Student Musicians in North America
Ages 11-14
Win a Free Week to Camp!
Register Online thru April 25
Complete Details at Blueskids.com
Info on Camp Auditions at
http://fernandojones.com/blues-camp-2.html

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**9th Annual**

**BLUES by the SEA**

Sunday, April 14, 2-7 pm
Freshfields Village  Johns Island, SC
(just outside beautiful Kiawah Island)

**FREE**
Rain or Shine (we’re tented)
Bring your Lawn Chair

**FOOD & DRINK**
Available for Purchase,
But Coolers OK too!

**THE ARTISTS**

♦ **BILLY BOY ARNOLD** ... *Chicago blues harmonica legend*
♦ **BILLY FLYNN** ... *in-demand master guitarist in the tradition*
♦ **FRANKIE’S BLUES MISSION** ... *tough Atlanta band in the West Side style*
♦ **SHELLY WATERS** ... *The Swamp Pop Princess from Louisiana*
♦ **PROFESSOR BOTTLENECK & HARMONICA FRANK** ... *Euro blues experts*

For Complete Brochure, go to [www.bluesbash.com/kiawah](http://www.bluesbash.com/kiawah)
Click on the pdf and print.  So easy!
April 2
Eric Clapton
w/ The Wallflowers
Time Warner Cable Arena

June 24
Fleetwood Mac
Time Warner Cable Arena

Just 3 doors up from The Double Door Inn!
Billy Burch

Mr. William Robert "Billy" Burch, Jr., 53, of 2057 Woodcrest Circle, passed away Monday, March 11, 2013 at his home.

A native of Charlotte, NC, Billy was the son of Jean Tribble and William Robert Burch, Sr. of Indian Trail. NC. He was a U.S. Navy veteran and was owner of Billy B’s While You’re Here, a construction and remodeling company.

Surviving are his wife, Judy Boutilier Burch, of the home; three daughters, Tanya Langley and husband, Denver, of Clemmons, NC, Amber Burch of Clemmons, and Billie Jean Burch of the home; two grandchildren, Miss Caitlyn Langley and Master Sean Langley, of Clemmons. He was preceded in death by two sisters, Marylu Sides and Jeanie Thompson.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorials be made to Billie Jean Burch, c/o Wells Fargo Bank, 2691 Celanese Road, Rock Hill, SC 29732 to benefit her education.

Billy was a member of the Charlotte Blues Society and, man, did he love to jam! He was also a member of Gene Gene & The Blues Machine when they represented CBS in Memphis as our 2010 Blues Talent Contest winners.

Before his death, Billy fulfilled a long-time dream of jumping from an airplane! (left, Billy and friend Eric Sprouse shortly before boarding the plane)
3/14/13
Farewell Jam for Billy Burch
27th Annual Carolina Blues Festival
May 18, 2013.
Headliners are Janiva Magness and Kenny Neal.
Downtown Greensboro, NC
More info: http://fest.piedmontblues.org

**www.BluesFestivalGuide.com** now offers **FREE GIG/CONCERT LISTINGS** to benefit fans, bands, and venues. It’s easy to use and completely free!

To post your gig or concert, simply go to **www.BluesFestivalGuide.com**,
click on “Submit Gig/Concert,” and fill in the blanks.

It will appear in the Gig/Concert calendar within 24 hours.

Fans can then search by date, band, venue, city, state, and country.

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**Friday, April 12**

**Bluegrass Meets Bolero**

The next Charlotte Folk Society Gathering on Friday, April 12, features a cross-over concert, Bluegrass Meets Bolero.

Award winning fiddler Glen Alexander and his trio will provide the Bluegrass, and Los Morales, Bolero. Presented in partnership with Levine Museum of the New South, the music gets underway at 7:30 PM.

Tom Hanchett, the museum’s staff historian, will host the evening. It’s part of the monthly Gathering series presented by CFS at the Great Aunt Stella Center, in the edge of uptown Charlotte. Doors open at 7 PM, but early arrival is recommended.

The hour-long concert will be followed by refreshments, a Song Circle or an occasional fast jam. Visitors are also invited to the Charlotte Appalachian Dulcimer Club meeting after the concert, where folks are invited to try out a "loaner" dulcimer and join their session.

Great Aunt Stella Center, 926 Elizabeth Avenue, between McDowell St. & Kings Dr.
For questions, call 704-563-7080
I've worn many hats over the past 20 years, and most have been working with the Bluesletter. And after 20 years, 'tis time to pass along the baton!

I want to thank you all for submitting articles, pictures, ads, and such. I especially want to thank Larry and Jill for playing a larger role with the Bluesletter over the past 10 years.

They say "retirement" can be a wonderful thing, but I need to check it out for myself! So ... you'll still see me around The Double Door and at BLUESundays and other venues that "have the Blues." (In fact, you might even see me more often!)

Keep on Bluesin' On!

Rita

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**Submissions Now Open for 2013 Blues Blast Music Awards**

It is that time again to let publicists, artists, labels and Blues industry contacts know that submissions for consideration in the 2013 Blues Blast Music Awards are now open.

We are again offering to put your eligible Blues music releases directly into the hands of our 30 nominators for consideration in this year's awards. **Submissions are free and can be sent until 4/15/2013.**


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**Alvin Lee**

1944 - 2013

British blues rock guitarist and singer Alvin Lee died on March 6 of "unforeseen complications" from a routine surgery. He was 68.

Lee’s scorching performance at Woodstock propelled his band Ten Years After to wide fame. The UK band’s intense 11-minute performance of "I'm Going Home" 1969 was immortalized in the documentary about the festival, with director Michael Wadleigh focusing almost exclusively on Lee the entire time. With the film’s success, the band’s popularity ballooned and they began playing larger venues around America.

His performance at Woodstock in 1969 catapulted him into the front ranks of the period’s British guitar heroes, which included Eric Clapton, Jeff Beck, Jimmy Page and Pete Townshend. In an image from the 1973 book "Rock Dreams," he and those four others are pictured in tuxedos carrying guitar cases into a building. Despite his status as a musician, Lee never reached the critical or popular heights of his countrymen.

Formed in 1966 in Nottingham, Ten Years After were most active until 1974, scoring four hit singles on the Billboard Hot 100 chart, including one top 40 hit: "I'd Love to Change the World" (No. 40). Like many of their peers in the late '60s and early '70s, the band found more success with their albums. The band logged 12 entries on the Billboard 200 chart, including five top 40 albums.

After leaving the group, Lee launched a prolific solo career with 1973’s On the Road to Freedom, a collaboration with Mylon LeFevre that featured guest spots by George Harrison, Steve Winwood, and Ron Wood. Over the years, seven of his 14 solo efforts charted on the Billboard 200. His final album, Still on the Road to Freedom, was released last August (his 41st album since 1967).

Sources: Billboard; CNN
Guitarist Dan Toler, best known for his work with the Allman Brothers, died February 25 in Manatee County, Florida. Toler had been battling ALS – also known as Lou Gehrig’s disease – and was unable to play guitar or speak for his last few months. He was 65.

Toler joined the Dickey Betts and Great Southern band in the late 70s and moved to the Allman Brothers with his brother David "Frankie" Toler and Betts. Toler played with the Allman Brothers on their 1979 comeback album Enlightened Rogues and was in the band for their next two records, 1980's Reach for the Sky and 1981's Brothers of the Road.

Dan and Frankie Toler then spent much the 1980s playing with the Gregg Allman Band, touring and recording I'm No Angel in 1986 and Just Before the Bullets Fly in 1988. Toler rejoined Betts' Great Southern band in 2002 and later created the Townsend Toler Band with John Townsend. He then joined the Renegades of Southern Rock and wrapped his career with Toler Tucci Band, along with Chaz Trippy from the Gregg Allman Band.

Toler announced he had ALS in August 2011, after his brother's death* in June 2011.

(*David “Frankie” Toler was drummer in the Gregg Allman Band and the Marshall Tucker Band. His health had declined for several years which prevented him from recording and going on tour; but after receiving a liver transplant in 2009, he had been able to play at some rehearsals. He died at the age of 59 after a prolonged illness following the liver transplant.)
Be sure to check websites, Facebook, ReverbNation, MySpace, or “Google Search” for bookings and updates on your favorite band or venue.

CLUBS THAT HAVE THE BLUES!

Big Al’s Pub & Grubberia ... 704-664-0992  631 Brawley Sch. Rd, Mooresville, NC
The Comet Grill ... 704-371-4300  2224 Park Rd., Charlotte, NC
Finz Raw Bar & Grill ... 704-814-9114  142 E. John St, Matthews, NC
Forty Rod Roadhouse ... 704-573-1773  9229-15 Lawyers Rd, Mint Hill, NC
>> Open Jam 2nd Sundays - Hosted by Horsefly Blues Band <<
Hojo & CC’s Wing Shack ... 704-827-8867  130 W. Charlotte Ave, Mt. Holly, NC
Kickstand Burgers-n-Bar ... 704-332-1010  1101 Central Ave., Charlotte, NC
McHale’s Irish Pub ... 803-548-2151  1820 Goldhill Rd, Fort Mill, SC
Miciah’s Speakeasy ... 704-799-0095  229 Medical Park Rd, Mooresville, NC
MVP’s Raw Bar & Grill ... 704-394-2129  10916 Black Dog Ln., Charlotte, NC
Neighborhood Theatre ... 704-358-9298  36th St. in NoDa, Charlotte, NC
OneMor Bar & Grill ... 704-788-8874  846 Union St. South, Concord, NC
River City Bar & Grill ... 704-660-9797  155 Pinnacle Ln, Mooresville, NC
Skinnyz Bar & Grill ... 704-893-2157  15060 Idlewild Rd, Charlotte, NC
Smoky Joe’s Café ... 704-338-9380  510 Briar Creek Rd, Charlotte, NC
>> Open Jam Every Tuesday Night - 9:00 - Hosted by the Smokin’ J’s <<
Speakeasy Alehouse ... 704-784-0107  9 Union St. N, Concord, NC
>> Open Jam 1st Tuesdays - 7:00 - Hosted by the Speakeasy Blues Combo <<
The Blue Vine ... 704-797-0093  209 S. Main St., Salisbury, NC
The Evening Muse ... 704-376-3737  N. Davidson St., Charlotte, NC
>> “Find Your Muse” Open Mic Every Monday <<
The Lodge ... 704-544-5226  7725 Colony Rd, Charlotte, NC
Tropical Escape Café ... 803-366-3888  564 N. Anderson Rd, Rock Hill, SC
Wet Willie’s ... 704-716-5650  900 Seaboard St, Charlotte, NC

We’re sure there are more ...
Let us know where YOU hear the Blues!!
39 Years of BLUES at...

EVERY MONDAY
MONDAY NITE ALL STARS
The awesome Monday Nite All-Stars will be playing some of your favorite Soul / Funk ... easy to listen to and great to dance to!!

EVERY TUESDAY
JAZZ JAM NIGHT
Bill Hanna's Jazz Quartet has been hosting this jam session at the club for years. Whether you are an up-and-coming jazz musician, or someone shaking the dust off the old instrument, either way this is the place where you can come out and jam with one of the best.

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Thursday, April 11 ~ The Cedric Burnside Project

Cedric Burnside is the grandson of North Mississippi blues legend R.L Burnside. He is the winner of the Blues Music Awards "Best New Artist Debut" for the record ‘The Two Man Wrecking Crew’ in 2009 and "Drummer of the Year" in 2010. After many successful years of touring the world with Lightnin' Malcolm as 'the Juke Joint Duo', Cedric has started a new band: The Cedric Burnside Project. His first debut album 'The Way I am' is coming soon, and he is touring the country bringing you new original foot-stomping hill-country blues music.

Check out The Double Door's Website for these and other bands playing this month, updates and future bookings, show times, admission, nightly drink specials, & more!

Sign up for weekly updates. Purchase Advance Tickets for selected shows.

www.doubledoorinn.com 1218 Charlottetown Ave. 704-376-1446

Join the DDI Fan Club at www.facebook.com
The Charlotte Blues Society (CBS) is dedicated to the promotion and preservation of the American Blues tradition through the presentation of concerts, forums, workshops, and educational programs in Charlotte and surrounding areas. Founded in the Spring of 1993, CBS has steadily grown in membership and popularity in support of this musical art form.

CBS is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization governed by a Board of Directors and is an affiliated member of The Blues Foundation the umbrella organization for a worldwide network of 165 affiliated Blues societies and has individual memberships around the globe. The Blues Foundation produces the Blues Music Awards, Keeping the Blues Alive Awards, Blues Hall of Fame Induction, and the International Blues Challenge.

CBS members gather on “BLUE Sunday,” the 1st Sunday of each month, 8:00 PM, at The Double Door Inn. Meetings include announcements and updates, special guests, and an Open Mic Blues Jam. BLUE Sunday is free to CBS members and only $5.00 for non-members. The Board of Directors also meets every 1st Sunday. Meetings are open to the membership.

Members receive a monthly newsletter and free admission to monthly meeting entertainment (unless otherwise posted). In addition, members receive discounts and co-sponsored or CBS-advertised events. Annual dues (12-month period) are $20 – Individual, $35 – Family, and $75 – Sponsor Membership. Corporate sponsorships and individual contributions are welcome and are tax deductible (excluding dues).

The CBS Bluesletter is published monthly and distributed to approximately 600 readers. It includes information on Society activities, a local blues calendar, and a variety of blues-related items of interest.

CBS is proud to call The Double Door Inn home. The Double Door Inn, winner of the 1994 CBS Challenge, is located at 1218 Charlottetowne Ave., Charlotte, NC (704-376-1446). Over the past 38 years, the DDI’s stage lights have shined on Willie Dixon, Koko Taylor, Lil’ Ed & the Blues Imperials, Marcia Ball, Saffire ~ The Uppity Blues Women, Lonnie Brooks, Eddy “the Chief” Clearwater, Stevie Ray Vaughan, and Luther Allison, just to name a few. (And that doesn’t even include the countless local and regional performers who otherwise would not have had a stage to stand on.) Thank you, Double Door, for all your support for live blues, zydeco, reggae, Americana, and most of all, your support of the Charlotte Blues Society!

You can help increase revenue by selling (or buying) advertising in the Bluesletter. Our rates are very inexpensive compared to other local newsletters ... and now that previous issues are posted on our website, your ad can be viewed by more readers for a longer period of time.

Ads are due by the 10th of the month for the following month’s issue. Ads must be pre-paid unless billing arrangements have been approved. (Federal Tax ID available upon request)

Contacts for questions are:
- Betsy at bnsb40@carolina.rr.com (704-351-3848)
- Rita at fulobluz@gmail.com (980-226-0917)

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MONTHLY RATES
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$125 ............. Full Page
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10% discount to CBS members (excluding business card)
Due to e-mail distribution, we can now accept ads related to finance, insurance, or credit cards.
Something New for 2011!
You can now renew your membership online at www.CharlotteBluesSociety.org.
We have a new email-able form and PayPal Button.
Just go to the Membership page and click!

**Membership Application**

**PLEASE PRINT**

Name: __________________________________________

Address: _________________________________________

Phone (Day):__________________   (Night): __________

E-mail: ________________________________

►(Not shared – Used only for Blues updates and late-breaking news!)

Please list members’ names for Membership Cards:

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**HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT CBS?**

[ ]  Web Search       [ ]  The Double Door Inn       [ ]  News Media

[ ]  Concert / Festival     __________________________________

[ ]  Other

[ ]  Referred by: ________________

**MEMBER CATEGORY:**

[ ]  Individual ............ $20 / $25

[ ]  Family (2-4) ........ $35 / $40

[ ]  Sponsor .............. $75 / $80

(includes Qtr page ad or T-shirt) Size: __________

**VOLUNTEERS ALWAYS NEEDED:**

[ ]  Merchandise Sales

[ ]  Membership Development

[ ]  Fundraising / Sponsorships

[ ]  Educational Programs

[ ]  Promotion / Publicity

[ ]  Festivals / Event Booths

[ ]  Bluesletter / Writing / Photos

**ARE YOU A MUSICIAN?**

[ ]  Yes

[ ]  No

[ ]  vocalist

[ ]  Instrument(s)

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**Today’s Date:** __________________

[ ]  New Member

[ ]  Renewal

If you are a CBS member who still gets your Bluesletter by “Snail Mail,” please send us your e-mail address for faster delivery … and it’s in COLOR!
(On-line delivery saves postage and helps the environment.)

**Turn Your Radio On!**

Mondays, 6:00-9:00 PM .................. WSGE 91.7 FM
Mondays, 11:00 PM-12:00 AM .......... WGWG 88.3 FM
Tuesdays, 6:00-9:00 PM .................. WSGE 91.7 FM
Wednesdays, 6:00-9:00 PM ............ WSGE 91.7 FM
Fridays, 11:00 PM-12:00 AM .......... WGWG 88.3 FM
Saturdays, 7:00-11:00 PM ............. WNCW 88.7 FM
Saturdays, 9:00-12:00 PM ............. WFAE 90.7 FM

“Hwy 321 Blues”
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“Blues & Roots”
“Saturday Night House Party”
“Blues Central”

Please help us stay current – send radio updates to fulobluz@gmail.com
The 34th Blues Music Awards     May 9, 2013

**Blues Music Awards** tickets and tables are **on sale**! ([www.blues.org](http://www.blues.org)) Tickets will be mailed by the third week in April.

Once again, The Blues Music Awards will be broadcast live in their entirety on Sirius XM’s B.B. King’s Bluesville. The next best thing to being there. They will be broadcast on public television later in the year.

The 2013 show will follow the format of the critically-acclaimed shows of recent years. Close to 100 nominees attend and the night is filled with their appearances and performances in a cabaret/dinner setting in the Convention Center’s ballroom.

The event brings together Blues performers, industry representatives and fans from all over the world to celebrate the best in Blues recordings and performances from the previous year. Each year, the Foundation presents The Blues Music Awards to the artists selected by its members. They are universally recognized as the highest honor given to Blues artists. As always, a pre-party will immediately precede the Awards. The Blues Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony and Charter Members’ Dinner will be held the night before on Wednesday, May 8. Contact The Blues Foundation about becoming a Charter Member in order to attend this star-studded event.

**NOMINEES:**

**Acoustic Album**
- *Billy Boy Arnold Sings Big Bill Broonzy* - Billy Boy Arnold
- *Blues on Solid Ground* - John Primer
- *Deeper In The Well* - Eric Bibb
- *Not Alone* - Ann Rabson w/ Bob Margolin
- *Talking Guitar* - Paul Rishell

**Acoustic Artist**
- Carolina Chocolate Drops
- Doug MacLeod
- Eric Bibb
- Harrison Kennedy
- Paul Rishell

**Album**
- *And Still I Rise* - Heritage Blues Orchestra
- *Double Dynamite* - The Mannish Boys
- *Show of Strength* - Michael Burks
- *Son of the Seventh Son* - Mud Morganfield
- *Stronger For It* - Janiva Magness

**B.B. King Entertainer**
- Curtis Salgado
- Janiva Magness
- Joe Louis Walker
- John Nemeth
- Rick Estrin

**Band**
- Lil’ Ed & the Blues Imperials
- Phantom Blues Band
- Rick Estrin & the Nightcats
- Tedeschi Trucks Band
- The Mannish Boys

**Best New Artist Debut**
- *24 Hour Blues* - Charles "CD" Davis
- *They Call Me Big Lou* - Big Lou Johnson
- *Turning On The Naughty* - Paula Harris
- *Uphill From Anywhere* - Brad Hatfield
- *Wanna Feel Somethin’* - Mary Bridget Davies

**Contemporary Blues Album**
- *Blak & Blu* - Gary Clark, Jr.
- *Blues Live* - John Nemeth
- *Candy Store Kid* - Ian Siegal & The Mississippi Mudbloods
- *Hellfire* - Joe Louis Walker
- *Show of Strength* - Michael Burks
- *Stronger For It* - Janiva Magness

**Contemporary Blues Female Artist**
- Bettye LaVette
- Janiva Magness
- Shakura S’Aida
- Shemekia Copeland
- Susan Tedeschi

**Contemporary Blues Male Artist**
- Gary Clark, Jr.
- Joe Louis Walker
- Michael Burks
- Robert Cray
- Tab Benoit

**DVD**
- Blackbird Music/55 Arts Club - The Lucky Peterson Band feat.Tamara Peterson Live at the 55 Arts Club Berlin
- Cat Head Delta Blues & Folk Art/Broke & Hungrey Records *We Juke Up in Here: Mississippi's Juke Joint Culture at the Crossroads*
- Delta Groove Records - *That’s My Thing: Elvin Bishop Live In Concert*
- Eagle Rock Entertainment - *Muddy Waters & Rolling Stones, Live at Checkerboard Lounge*
- J & R Adventures - Beacon Theatre - *Joe Bonamassa Live From New York*

**Gibson Guitar**
- Derek Trucks
- Joe Bonamassa
- Joe Louis Walker
- Kid Andersen
- Michael Burks

(Cont’d)
Instrumentalist-Bass
Bill Stuve
Bob Stroger
Patrick Rynn
Richard Cousins
Scot Sutherland
Willie J. Campbell

Instrumentalist-Drums
Cedric Burnside
Cody Dickinson
Jimi Bott
Kenny Smith
Tony Braunagel

Instrumentalist-Harmonica
Billy Boy Arnold
Bob Corritore
John Nemeth
Kim Wilson
Mark Hummel
Rick Estrin

Instrumentalist-Horn
Al Basile
Big James Montgomery
Eddie Shaw
Sax Gordon
Terry Hanck

Koko Taylor Award (Traditional Blues Female)
Diunna Greenleaf
Jewel Brown
Maria Muldaur
Ruthie Foster
Tracy Nelson

Pinetop Perkins Piano Player
Barrelhouse Chuck
Chuck Leavell
David Maxwell
Deanna Bogart
Mike Finnigan
Victor Wainwright

Rock Blues Album
Blues For The Modern Daze - Walter Trout
Driving Towards The Daylight - Joe Bonamassa
Everybody's Talkin' - Tedeschi Trucks Band
Here I Am - Nick Moss
Royal Southern Brotherhood - Royal Southern Brotherhood

Song
"I Won't Cry" written by Janiva Magness & Dave Darling - Stronger For It (Janiva Magness)
"Lemon Pie" written by John Hahn & Oliver Wood - 33 1/3 (Shemekia Copeland)
"She Didn't Cut Me Loose" written by Curtis Salgado, Marlon McClain & Dave Duncan - Soul Shot (Curtis Salgado)
"The Devil Ain't Got No Music" written by Matthew Skoller - The Devil Ain't Got No Music (Lurrie Bell)
"Too Much Jesus (Not Enough Whiskey" written by Sam McClain & Pat Herlehy - Too Much Jesus (Not Enough Whiskey) (Mighty Sam McClain)

Soul Blues Album
Blues Heart - Dorothy Moore
Soul Live - John Nemeth
Soul Shot - Curtis Salgado
Soul Survivor - Johnny Rawls
Too Much Jesus (Not Enough Whiskey) - Mighty Sam McClain

Soul Blues Female Artist
Barbara Carr
Denise LaSalle
Dorothy Moore
Irma Thomas
Sista' Monica

Soul Blues Male Artist
Bobby Rush
Curtis Salgado
John Nemeth
Johnny Rawls
Mighty Sam McClain

Traditional Blues Album
And Still I Rise - Heritage Blues Orchestra
Double Dynamite - The Mannish Boys
Milton Hopkins with Jewel Brown - Milton Hopkins with Jewel Brown
Son of the Seventh Son - Mud Morganfield
Spider Eating Preacher - Eddie C. Campbell

Traditional Blues Male Artist
Bob Margolin
John Primer
Lil' Ed
Magic Slim
Mud Morganfield

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