

NEWSLETTER  
September  
2017



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CHARLOTTE BLUES SOCIETY  
**SOLO / DUO**  
Sunday Sept 3  
**BLUES CHALLENGE**

COMPETITION BEGINS  
**12:15 PM SHARP ENDS 3:00PM**

Ezra Root & David Gibson Acoustic  
Roots & Dore  
ROOTS2 MUSIC  
DC LEAKAGE  
Winner to represent us in Memphis  
**THE RABBIT HOLE** Doors 12 Noon  
1801 Commonwealth Ave Charlotte

**EARLY EVENT**

The Challenge to represent  
Charlotte Blues Society  
is **Sunday September 3**

**Doors open at Noon**

Competition begins **12:15** at  
The Rabbit Hole. The first  
competition is our **SOLO/DUO**  
Blues Challenge

4 Outstanding artists  
including::

**DC LEAKAGE**

~~Ezra Root & David  
Gibson Acoustic~~

**Roots & Dore**

**ROOTS2 MUSIC**

The winner will represent us in  
January 2018 at the International  
Blues Challenge in Memphis.

Artist info on page 5.

**DOORS OPEN 12 Noon, Challenge begins promptly at 12:15pm**

Don't forget: membership has privileges: bring your valid CBS Membership card to The Peculiar Rabbit when You stop in for brunch or dinner on any Blues Bash Sunday: it is worth 10% off your food! The Peculiar Rabbit next door to the The Rabbit Hole.

THE RABBIT HOLE: the New Home for the Charlotte Blues Society

**THE RABBIT HOLE**

1801 Commonwealth Ave, Charlotte, NC

Where the Blues Live On!

**FROM OUR PRESIDENT Mary London: Hey Blues Family!**

This will be one wild and crazy September! We kick it off with our SOLO/DUO Blues Challenge at The Rabbit Hole in Charlotte's Plaza-Midwood area. Talk about a great way to enjoy a brunch!

Bar specials with Bloody Mary's and Mimosa's, plus all CBS Members with Valid Membership will receive a 10% discount on food from Peculiar Rabbit.

Doors at The Rabbit Hole open up at 12 Noon, the first act will be on stage no later than 12:15pm. Each act is allowed 20 minutes to perform, and we will have 10 minutes between each act...we are talking nearly 2 solid hours of music. Come out and support the acts you know, and hear some great music from those you have never had a chance to see. What a great way to spend Labor Day Sunday. The beautiful thing is: you can check out live music during the day and still head out for the cookouts and gatherings Sunday night. But the real party begins at 12 noon at THE RABBIT HOLE.

In other news, we are adding new members to our board. It's that time of year again. Every two years we make the changes as per our bylaws. This year, several people will be leaving us, and we are looking for a few members who 1) Love the Blues, 2) Is willing to attend 1 board meeting a month, 3) Is enthusiastic and Positive 4) would like to help build the Blues Community in Charlotte. If you are interested, please contact me or another board member and Let's Make it the Best Blues Year ever!

~ M

Need a Dose of the Blues? Hey ~ Not a problem!

Check out these events ~ And more on our website

[www.CharlotteBluesSociety.org](http://www.CharlotteBluesSociety.org)

29TH ANNUAL  
PEORIA  
**BLUES & HERITAGE**  
MUSIC FESTIVAL

**LABOR DAY WEEKEND**  
SEPTEMBER 1ST & 2ND

**PEORIA RIVERFRONT**  
PEORIA, IL

**DeJohn** **JOHN BUTLER TRIO** **JOHN MAYALL**

**KELLER WILLIAMS**  
**REBIRTH BRASS BAND**  
**GEORGE PORTER JR.**

(Listed in alphabetical order)  
**MATTHEW CURRY • SOUTHERN AVENUE**  
**STEADY FLOW • SUN STEREO**  
**TINSLEY ELLIS: BLUES IS DEAD • WALTER TROUT**

(Listed in alphabetical order)  
**BRAINCHILD • THE CANDYMAKERS • THE FOURMULA • FUNK VENDETTA**  
**HARPER AND MIDWEST KIND • RAILWAY GAMBLERS**  
**THE SMILEY TILLMON BAND • SMOKER'S BLUES BAND • STILL SHINE**

SEPT 1 & 2 • PEORIA, IL • TICKETS AND INFO AT [PBHFEST.COM](http://PBHFEST.COM)

**PEORIA IL**

Come on out for  
the third annual  
**BIG BUGGS ISLAND  
BLUES BASH!**

for a day of live blues, food  
and a swing dance competition  
on the lake! Rain or shine!

Online at [www.bbibb.org](http://www.bbibb.org).



# **BIG BUGGS ISLAND BLUES BASH**

**SATURDAY  
SEPTEMBER 30<sup>TH</sup>**

ROBBINS BALLPARK  
104 WOODLAND DR  
CLARKSVILLE, VA. 23927

**2-10PM**

*With Performances by:*

*the* **Bruce Katz band**

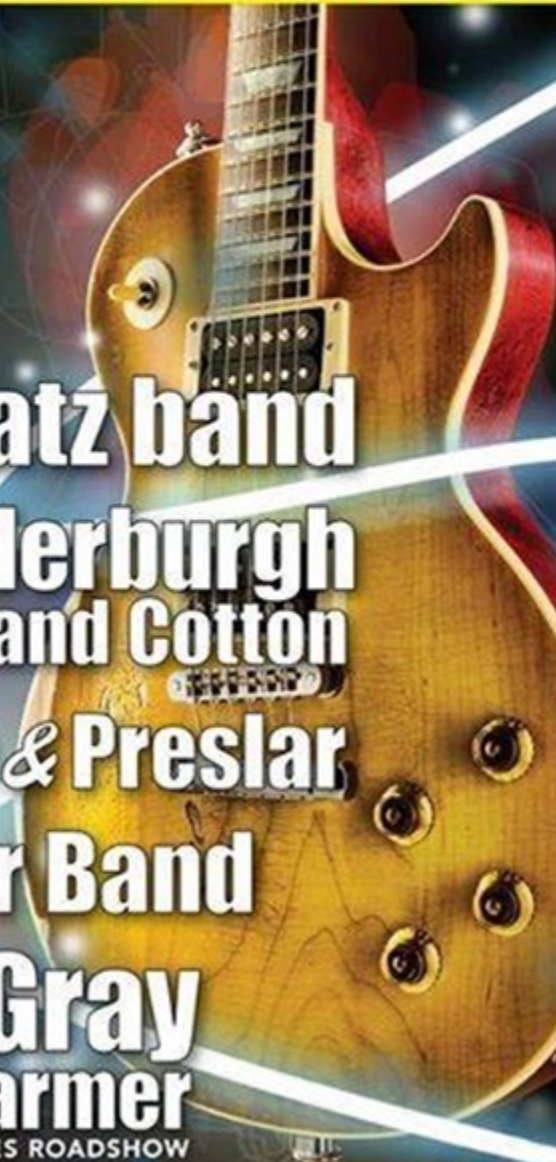
**Anson Funderburgh**  
*featuring* **Stern and Cotton**

**James-Pace & Preslar**

*the* **Jon Spear Band**

**Parker & Gray**  
*featuring* **Ken Farmer**  
FROM ANTIQUES ROADSHOW

\$30 in advance and \$35 at the gate. On sale locally in clarksville  
at Central Insurance and Community Pharmacy.





**ERIC**

**GALES**

Sept 16 Charleston Pour House, Charleston, S  
Sept 23 The Music Farm, Columbia SC  
Oct. 7 US Whitewater Center, Charlotte NC



*SOLO DUO CHALLENGE SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 3 2017*

*ONE OF THESE BANDS WILL REPRESENT US IN MEMPHIS*




**DC LEAKAGE**

Meet Dennis Lemoine and Tim Murray. A duo with a unique spin on the blues, both traditional and original. Lemoine, raised in Hawaii, Louisiana and the Carolinas and Murray Ohio born and Carolina raised, unite as DC Leakage.



**INTERNATIONAL  
BLUES  
CHALLENGE**

*BANDS ARE NOT LISTED IN ORDER OF PERFORMANCE*



**Ezra Root & David Gibson Acoustic**

Ezra Root and hand percussionist David Gibson put their own acoustic spin on music best described as Blues, Raggae Blues, Funk, Jazz and soul. Packed with plenty of smooth guitar riffs, soulful vocals and infectious grooves, Ezra Root and David Gibson Acoustic write a blues for a new generation.

*SOLO DUO CHALLENGE SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 3 2017*

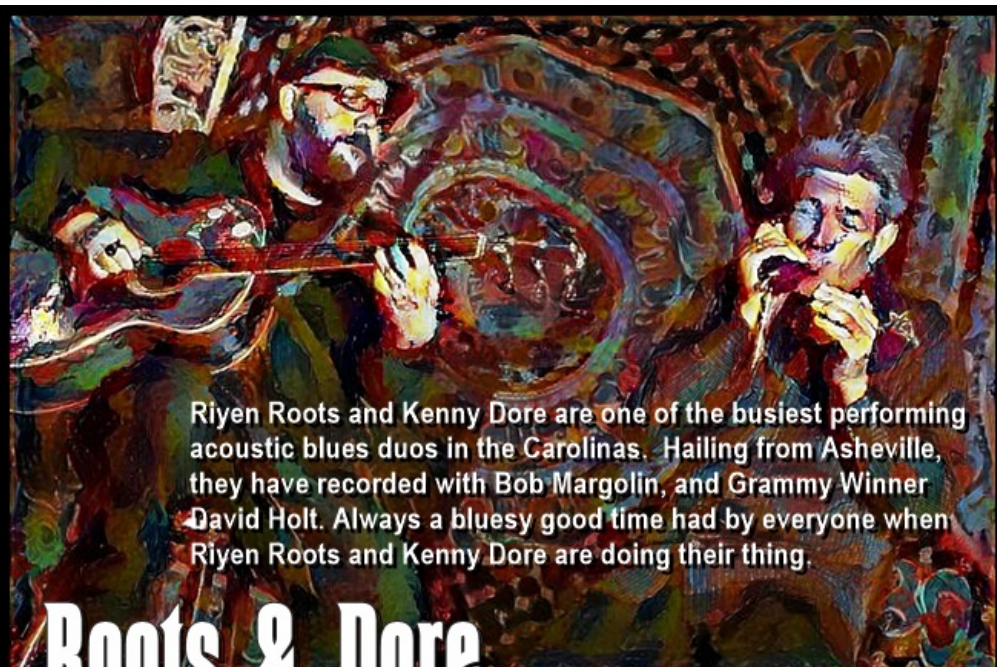
*DOORS OPEN AT 12:00 NOON*



**ROOTS2 MUSIC**  
Roots2 Music: a musical intersection of Deep South country blues and Celtic/Appalachian fiddle music. David Frank and Nancy Reid perform traditional and original blues with a distinctly Appalachian influence.



*CHALLENGE STARTS PROMPTLY AT 12:15PM*



Riyaen Roots and Kenny Dore are one of the busiest performing acoustic blues duos in the Carolinas. Hailing from Asheville, they have recorded with Bob Margolin, and Grammy Winner David Holt. Always a bluesy good time had by everyone when Riyaen Roots and Kenny Dore are doing their thing.

**Roots & Dore**

We have Great looking T-Shirts : Get yours now! Limited Edition  
Visa/American Express/Mastercard

## Summer Short Sleeve T-Shirt Special



\$15 each  
or  
2 for \$20

### THE PLACE TO BE: CONCERTS IN CHARLOTTE 1995-2017 JUN 19 - NOV 22, 2017 · KNIGHT GALLERY AT SPIRIT SQUARE ~ DANIEL COSTON PRESENTED BY: BLUMENTHAL PERFORMING ARTS




*The photos contained in this show are a collection of many days and nights enjoying music, in many places. Large venues, small venues, anywhere and everywhere in Charlotte, NC. For the past 22 years, I have tried to find these places, and photograph them. For this show, I wanted to convey the rich vibrancy and diversity that one can see and hear on any given night in Charlotte.*

*From the legendary artists, to the local musicians that make up the Charlotte music scene. In theaters, clubs, churches and more, big and small. Be they venues that no longer exist, or ones that you can visit tonight, the photos in this show are a reflection of those beautiful sounds, and my efforts to put a visual to the sounds that continue to be, The Place To Be. Wherever you choose to find them.*

*– Daniel Coston*

HELP US MAKE OUR SUNDAY EVENT EVEN BETTER

Here is Betsy's Hospitality  
"Wish you would bring" list:



*Dips and or spreads.  
Bite size sub sandwiches,  
desserts, fruit,  
stuffed celery.....*

**HUGE**

"THANK YOU" TO THOSE THAT  
ALREADY CONTRIBUTE TO OUR  
HOSPITALITY TABLE EVERY MONTH

PLEASE FEEL FREE TO ADD TO THE GOODIES



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THE BLUES FOUNDATION TODAY

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PARTICIPATE IN BLUES FOUNDATION EVENTS

SUPPORT BLUES MUSIC

REFERRED BY: CHARLOTTE BLUES SOCIETY



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**Raffle Tix on sale NOW**  
**Fender Squier Stratocaster**

**\$5 each or 3 for \$10**

Winner will be drawn at Dec. Christmas Party  
 (need not be present to win)

*all proceeds benefit*

**Charlotte Blues Society**

*Donated by Sonny & Scotty Jackson*



**In Search of .....**

**A few good leaders**

**Charlotte Blues Society  
 has positions on our Board**

**Membership Committee  
 Sponsorship Committee  
 Merchandise Committee  
 Promotion Committee**

**CBS Photographer**

**Music Event Guru**

**Each Committee Chair  
 will lead their own team**

**Get involved**

The autographs on the guitar have been adding up....Just look who has signed it:

*Joe Bonamassa*

*Jonny Lang*

*Tab Benoit*

*Eric Gales*

*Bob Margolin*

*Coco Montoya*

*Susan Tedeschi Trucks*

*Sue Foley*

*Davy Knowles*

*Warren Haynes*

*Geoff Achison*

*Bex Marshall*

*Robert Randolph*

CONCERTS  
EVENTS  
FESTIVALS



MUSIC EVENT CALENDAR  
WWW.CHARLOTTEBLUESOCIETY.ORG

## September BLUES BIRTHDAYS

- 1- Archie Bell (1944)
- 2- Joe Simon (1943)
- 3- Memphis Slim(1915), Freddie King (1934) (**Freddie's Brother Bennie Turner will be our NOVEMBER 5, 2017 Guest Artist**)
- 4- Meade "Lux" Lewis (1905)
- 5- Sunnyland Slim (1907)
- 6- Buddy Bolden (1877), Jimmy Reed (1925)
- 7- Little Milton Campbell (1934), Latimore (1939)
- 8- Harmonica Fats (1927), Guitar Shorty (1939)
- 9- Otis Redding (1941)
- 10- Roy Brown (1925)
- 11- Barbeque Bob (1902)
- 12- Alger "Texas" Alexander (1900), Barry White (1944), Gus Cannon (1885)
- 13- Charles Brown (1922), Joanna Connor (1962)
- 15- Silas Hogan (1911), Snooky Pryor (1921)
- 16- B.B. King (1925), Little Willie Littlefield (1931), Billy Boy Arnold (1935)
- 18- Louis Myers (1929)
- 19- Brook Benton (1931), Freda Payne (1945)
- 22- Bobby Radcliff (1951)
- 23- Albert Ammons (1907), John Coltrane (1926), Ray Charles (1930), Fenton Robinson (1935), Ben E. King (1938), Tiny Bradshaw (1905), Mighty Joe Young (1927)
- 24- Z.Z. Hill (1935), Willie Kent (1936), Tarheel Slim (1924)
- 25- Roosevelt "Booba" Barnes (1936)
- 29- Houston Stackhouse (1910), Koko Taylor (1935), Chick Willis (1934)
- 30- Johnny Mathis (1935), Frankie Lymon (1942)



SUNDAY OCTOBER 1



INTERNATIONAL  
**BLUES**  
CHALLENGE

**THE BAND CHALLENGE**

**AT THE RABBIT HOLE**

**DOORS 7PM**

**STARTS 8PM**

1801 COMMONWEALTH AVE. CHARLOTTE, NC

**BERT WRAY BLUES**

**BLUES DELUXE**

**MOSES JONES**

**RED HOUSE**