



NO JULY MEETING: but we have one **HOT SUNDAY BLUES BASH** waiting for you: Sunday August 6, we are importing Bex Marshall from London, England for you at the **RABBIT HOLE**. Check out her Featured Artist article on page 4! Doors open at 7pm, music 8P
FREE to members, only \$5 to non-members. Bring a friend in to join!

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!



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FROM OUR PRESIDENT RICK BALLEW: Hey Blues Family! We're growing by leaps and bounds

Thanks to all of the new faces. Our membership has grown close to 20% since we moved to The Rabbit Hole in March. It's inspiring to see the Membership table so busy on Blues Sundays. To me it means The Blues are very much alive in Charlotte.

We won't have a gathering in July. Here's wishing you a safe a blues-filled July 4th!

We have a special August 6th show for you: continuing with bringing in some outrageously fantastic music, BEX MARSHALL will be blasting the blues. Hailing from North London, England, this woman is one show you don't want to miss. Our NEW short sleeve T-Shirts are here : only \$15 each or 2 for \$20

We've got our Regional Blues Challenges coming in September and October and we'll need volunteers for both of those days. Be sure to check the webpage for all Blues happenings in our area because Mary London updates it almost daily. Check out the new Music Calendar she recently added. It's in Google Calendar format, so you can view it in daily, weekly, monthly or agenda formats, easy to read on your tablet, phone or laptop. It is also printable. If you are aware of an event not listed, email us : CLTBluesSociety@gmail.com and we will add it to the calendar.

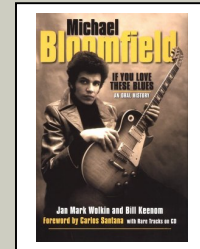
Thanks for your continued support of The Blues and The Charlotte Blues Society.

Rick Ballew

Blues Birthdays

JULY

- 1- Thomas A. Dorsey (1899), Willie Dixon (1915), James Cotton (1935), Syl Johnson (1939)
- 3-Mississippi John Hurt (1893)
- 4-Champion Jack Dupree (1910)
- 5-Smilely Lewis (1913)
- 7-Pinetop Perkins (1913)
- 8-Louis Jordan (1908), Johnnie Johnson (1924)
- 10-Casey Bill Weldon (1909)
- 11-Blind Lemon Jefferson (1897)
- 14-Claude & Clifford Trenier (1919)
- 15-Washboard Sam (1910), Willie Cobbs (1940), Millie Jackson (1944)
- 16-Denise LaSalle (1939)
- 17-Peppermint Harris (1925)
- 18-Screamin Jay Hawkins (1929), Martha Reeves (1941), Lonnie Mack (1941)
- 19-Buster Benton (1932)
- 21-Floyd Jones (1917)
- 22-Chuck Jackson (1937), George Clinton (1940)
- 28-Mike Bloomfield (1943), Junior Kimbrough (1930), Ikey Robinson (1904)
- 29-Charlie Christian (1916)
- 30-Buddy Guy (1936)
- 31-Roy Milton (1907)



Colin Lake

July 8 US White Water Center

My Morning Jacket & Gary Clark Jr

July 8 Metro Credit Union Amphitheatre

Tedeschi Trucks Band

July 16 CMCU Amphitheatre

Gov't Mule

August 5 CMCU Amphitheatre

BEX MARSHALL

CBS August Sunday Blues Bash

August 6 The Rabbit Hole 8pm show

FREE to Members \$5 non-members

Davy Knowles

August 12 Romare Bearden Park

CELEBRATE THE Fourth of July with the best:

Eric Gales

July 4 Second & Green Tavern, Winston Salem



Biography

Bex Marshall – Biography

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UK British Blues Award winner Bex Marshall's unique style of guitar playing is a combined technique of slide, blues rock, ragtime and roots pickin'.

Her voice is a powerful melting pot of old black woman's heartache and rock diva soul.

Bex is a writer of distinction and notability, she pushes the boundaries of blues, her songs have been called timeless, touches of genius, and now with anything up to a 7 piece band, she is literally a musical tornado.

Bex Marshall was nominated to the top three in Best Solo/Acoustic Artist 2015 in the European Blues Awards and won an award at the UK's Blues Awards 2013 for Best British Blues Vocalist and album

Biography

A Devonshire lass now residing in London, the product of two very different family's, one blue blooded landed gentry, the other Irish Romany. As a child at family gatherings her uncles would always play and stand her on the table to sing, at 11 years old she was given a 1963 Gibson Hummingbird by her Uncle David and started playing, she got hooked on instrumentals and classical guitar standards which stretched her fingers and gave her a great basis for her own music to develop, flamenco, ragtime, country chicken pickin', rock and on to blues and roots where she is now in her element.

She always had a passion for travelling, its in her blood and trained as a croupier at 18 began her travels around the world working gaming tables on cruise liners to Park Lane even dealing illegal poker games in Amsterdam. She hitch hiked the coast of Australia on cattle trains and always with a guitar on her back living and storing tales.

She is a musical adventuress, described in the world press with comparisons to Memphis Minnie, Joan Armatrading, JJ Cale, Derek Trucks and.... "Bonnie Raitt and Led Zep jamming in an everglade moonshine joint".

Bex has been asked to be the guest JANIS by 'Big Brother and the Holding Company's original guitarist Sam Andrews on their their 2014 European Tour!

Charlotte Blues Society welcomes

BEX MARSHALL

Direct from
London, England
Award Winning
Blues Artist



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8pm Show

The Rabbit Hole 1801 Commonwealth Ave
www.CharlotteBluesSociety.org

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This has been an amazing time to love the Blues!
With all the great artists in town lately, **Sue Foley, Bob Margolin** (who just won Traditional Blues Male Artist from the BMA), **Coco Montoya, Jonny Lang, Quinn Sullivan, Geoff Achison, Robert Randolph, Samantha Fish, Tab Benoit, Eric Gales, Tullie Brae,**
WHEW!!

Talk about Blues Heaven on Earth!
And Summer is just beginning!

A big "Thank You" to all the artists that have been so generous to their fans, signing CDs, taking selfies, and those that have signed our Guitar!
Pictures and updates on the website!

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WANT
YOU!**

**MUSICIANS
WANTED**

Calling all BLUES Solo/Duo & Bands:
CBS BLUES CHALLENGE

Our competition dates are set.

SOLO DUO
Sunday Sept 3

BAND
Sunday Oct. 1

Deadline for entry is August 1, 2017

Details
www.CharlotteBluesSociety.org

Winners in each category will represent CBS at the IBC in Memphis 2018

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3 Big days of Food, Music and Fun in Uptown Charlotte on Tryon Street from Stonewall to 5th Street.

Charlotte Blues Society Thanks everyone who worked our booth this year. You are the best! Huge thank to our superstar organizer: Flynn Wolfe.




HELP US MAKE OUR SUNDAY EVENT EVEN BETTER

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

HUGE

"THANK YOU" TO THOSE THAT
ALREADY CONTRIBUTE TO OUR
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*Dips and or spreads.
Bite size sub sandwiches,
desserts, fruit,
stuffed celery.....*

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