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#### Charlotte Blues Society October 2018 BluesLetter

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#### **ON THE COVER**

Band Blues Challenge Oct 7.





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#### **Falling for the Blues**

Note from CBS President

#### Festival listing for October 2018

If you have a need to get more blues in your life, check out the festival listing on Page 5

#### Competition for The Road to Memphis

The IBC dates are set for 2019 in Memphis. Who will represent us this year? Solo/duo Challenger to compete September 2, Band competition is October 7. Deadline is Sept 7

#### Carolina Downhome Blues Festival

celebrating 22 years this year, this Blues Festival is one to catch in early October .

#### **Falling for the Blues**

Recently someone asked me what made me join Charlotte Blues Society. That part was easy. It was meeting Robin Rogers and she said "join". Our friendship was more than about the music, but it was the catalyst that made me join the group she loved and represented so well. Plus anyone that had the privilege of knowing her, is well aware how impossible it was to say "no" to Robin. I am so glad she asked and I said "yes". I always loved the genre, but didn't realize there was an organization in Charlotte that was actively promoting blues. It took a friend get me to join. Then it took another friend, Rick Ballew



to ask me to say "yes" to be on the board. He wanted me to commit myself to this amazing music style even further as his Vice President over 5 years ago.

So why, you ask, did I tell this short story? Because I always love to mention Robin and because I want **you** to *bring a friend* to our next Blues Society event. Invite them to hear some great music. Let them know there is an organization that not just rejoices in this style, but is a fun group to be a part of. Festivals around the world celebrate blues. The Double Door Inn was dedicated to the Blues and was the longest running blues club on the east coast. Charlotte Blues Society membership is growing every day and we want you to help us grow even more.

We have a great new home at The Rabbit Hole, a fantastic staff, wonderful sound, very cool vibe and an enthusiastic membership. The Plaza-Midwood area is filled with music enthusiasts and we want to bring more into the fold

We are reaching out in 2019 with a Blues in The Schools program in February. You can find us at nearly every blues show in town, not to mention the great monthly shows we put together for our members.

We encourage blues artists in our area to compete to represent us at the International Blues Challenge in Memphis every year...artists like Jake Haldenvang who won the solo/duo challenge, and this October 7 we will be adding a band to that roster. 3 bands are competing: The Chris Clifton Band, Pat"Mother Blues" Cohen, and Tom Dowd Band. One of them will be heading to Memphis in January 2019 along with Jake to compete against the world.

I highly recommend that you consider heading to Memphis for the IBC in January. It is an amazing opportunity to immerse yourself in the city famous for the blues. Go! In the meantime, check out all we have coming up here in town and help us continue in our mission of Keeping the Blues Alive!

~Mary London Szpara President PAGE 3

#### Calling All Songwriters https://musiccitysongstar.com/

# FOXHEDGE MUSIC"

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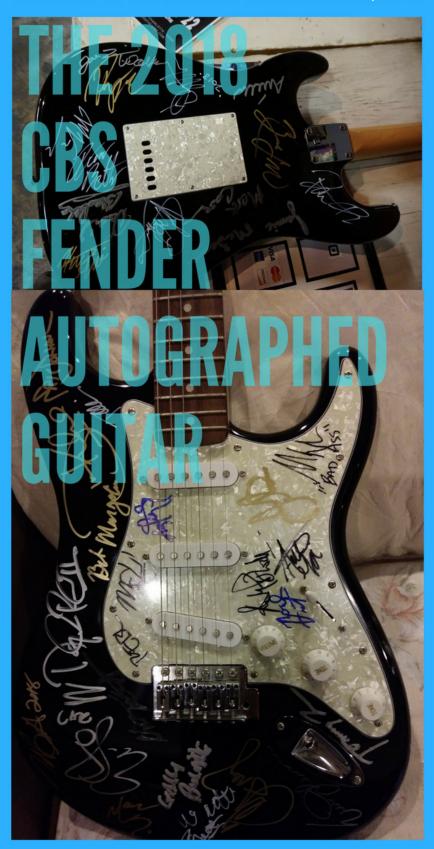
### Foxhedge Music proudly presents the Music City SongStar awards, a songwriting competition open to songwriters worldwide.

The Fall 2018 songwriting contest begins September 1 and runs through December 15, 2018. Music City SongStar is open to all genres of music. The top four (4) finalists will have an opportunity to perform their original song at Leiper's Fork Distillery\*. The winning songwriter will be awarded \$5,000 in cash. Additional prizes will be awarded to 25 semi-finalists.

The home of Charlotte Blues Society

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#### \$10 PER TICKET WINNER TO BE DRAWN DECEMBER 2, 2018



WE WILL CONTINUE GATHERING SIGNATURES UNTIL DECEMBER 2

Signatures

**Eric Gales** JJ Grey **Heather Gillis Doyle Bramhall II Garry Burnside Davy Knowles** Jorma Kaukonen Marc Broussard **Tab Benoit Eric Johnson** Jamie McLean **Kenny Wayne Shepherd** Noah Hunt Arielle Susan Tedeschi Trucks **Bob Margolin** Andy Powell Mark Abrahams Nick Moss Walter Trout **Tinsley Ellis** Marcus King **Joseph Michael Mahfoud** Tommy Z **Duane Betts Devon Allman** Rebecca Lovell Megan Lovell **David Bromberg** Mark Cosgrove Selwyn Birchwood **Jake Haldenvang Nathan Pope** Zach Nugent Joe Louis Walker Leo Kottke **Pam Taylor** 

#### www.brunch.com

#### October 18th 2018 2018 INDUCTION CEREMONY 7:15pm Historic GEM Theatre Downtown Kannapolis

2018 Inductees:

John Tesh – Pianist, composer, singer studied music, radio, communications at North Carolina State University in Raleigh. He has six music Emmys, two Grammy nominations, three gold records,has had seven Public Television specials and 8 million records sold.

**Chris Daughtry –** 2006 American Idol contestant from Roanoke . "It's Not Over", nominated for "Best Rock Song and Best Rock Performance" by a Duo or Group with Vocal at the 50th Annual Grammy Awards.

**Dolphus Ramseur** – Record Executive and founder of Ramseur Records, an independent record label based in North Carolina. Responsible for successful artists The Avett Brothers and Steep Canyon Rangers. Born and raised in Concord, NC.

**Luther Barnes** – Stellar Award winning and Grammy nominated gospel singer, songwriter and producer. Born in Rocky Mount, NC

**Calvin Richardson** – R&B/Soul singer-songwriter and producer from Monroe, NC. Calvin has received multiple Grammy nominations.

**The Hoppers** – GMA Gospel Music Hall of Fame members from Madison, NC. They have won over 50 awards and have eight number one songs along with multiple top 5 songs.

Blind Boy Fuller – Piedmont Blues guitarist famed for his fingerpicking style of the 1930's. Fuller was born in Wadesboro, NC.

# Tickets are now on sale VIP and General Reserved tickets: NorthCarolinaMusicHallofFame.org.

King Biscuit Blues Festival Oct-03-2018 - Oct-06-2018, Helena, Arkansas, USA

Carolina Downhome Blues Festival, 22nd Annual Oct-04-2018 - Oct-07-2018, Camden, South Carolina, USA

Chain O Lakes Blues Festival Oct-05-2018 - Oct-06-2018. Waupaca, Wisconsin, USA

Blues, Brews, & BBQ in da Parish Oct-06-2018, Violet, Louisiana, USA

**Riverside West Coast Blues** Festival, The Oct-06-2018, Riverside, California, USA

Riverside Blues, Brews, & BBQ, 8th Annual Oct-06-2018, Greenfield, Massachusetts, USA

Deep Blues Festival Oct-11-2018 - Oct-14-2018, Clarksdale, Mississippi, USA



Crescent City Blues & BBQ Festival Oct-12-2018 - Oct-14-2018. New Orleans, Louisiana, USA

Garvin Gate Blues Festival Oct-12-2018 - Oct-13-2018, Louisville, Kentucky, USA

Bacon, Blues + Big Stories Festival Oct-19-2018 - Oct-20-2018, Madisonville, Kentucky, USA

Logan Center Bluesfest 2nd Annual Oct-19-2018 - Oct-21-2018, Chicago, Illinois, USA

Whitby Blues, Rhythm & Rock Festival Oct-13-2018, Whitby, United Kingdom

Clitheroe Blues, Rhythm & Rock Festival Oct-14-2018, Newcastle Upon Tyne, United Kingdom

St Benedict Blues Festival 2018 Oct-19-2018 - Oct-20-2018, St Augustine, Florida, USA

Camping with the Blues Oct-19-2018 - Oct-21-2018, Brooksville, Florida, USA

T-Bone Walker Blues Fest Oct-20-2018, Linden, Texas, USA

Rowan Blues and Jazz Festival Oct-20-2018, Salisbury, North Carolina, USA

Ragin Cajun Blues Festival Oct-20-2018, Redondo Beach, California, USA

Copenhagen Blues Festival Oct-25-2018 - Oct-28-2018, Copenhagen, Denmark

SoCal Divas of Blues Music Festival Oct-27-2018, Temecula, California. USA



### THE RABBIT HOLE

1801 COMMONWEALTH AVENUE

### **3** BANDS

COMPETITION BEGINS AT 7:00PM

# FREE EVENT

#### DOORS OPEN 6:00PM





### **Carolina Downhome Blues Festival**

Celebrating it's 22nd Year! The Carolina Downhome Blues Festival is an award-winning event recognized for featuring legendary blues artists from around the globe. Produced and presented by the Fine Arts Center of Kershaw County (FAC), the Carolina Downhome Blues Festival is celebrating its 22nd year in 2018. This year's event promises to be one of the most exciting ever, with a slate of new musicians coming to town, plus some popular favorites from past years. The Carolina Downhome Blues Festival continues to be a must-do weekend in Camden, drawing music fans from around the southeast as eclectic as the music itself. There will be blues for all tastes, from Carolina Lowcountry blues to "Roadhouse" blues rock, to the best of acoustic blues and folk...and all points in between.

### Thank You: Keep The Cans Coming!



#### LOAVES & FISHES

helps to fill the need for at risk families and kids They can't do it without you.

Charlotte Blues Society and you continue our "Blues For Food" drive through 2018.

PLEASE: bring non-perishable food items to every monthly event.

#### Don't forget to Donate!!

Please look for us at all Blues shows in the area.

Look for the Donation Can.



#### DONATE HERE



#### October Birthdays

1- George "Wild Child" Butler (1936), Donny Hathaway (1945), Cub Koda (1948) 3-Albert Collins (1932), Stevie Ray Vaughan (1954), Chubby Checker (1941), Billy Branch (1951), Keb Mo (1951) 5-Roy Book Binder (1941), Duke Rubillard 6-Aaron "Little Sonny" Willis (1932), Sammy Price (1908) 9-O.V. Wright (1939) John Lennon (1940) 10-Ivory Joe Hunter (1914), Harry "Sweets" Edison (1915) 11-Thelonius Monk (1917), Art Blakey (1919) 12-Nappy Brown (1929), Sam Moore (1935) 13-Art Tatum (1910), Shirley Caesar (1938) 14-Jimmy Liggins (1924), Son Thomas (1924), Kenny Neal (1957)15-Victoria Spivey (1906), Robert Ward (1938) 16-Sugarpie Desanto(1935), Big Joe Williams (1903), John Mayer (1977) 18-Chuck Berry (1926), Billy Cox (1941) 19-William "Piano Red" Perryman (1911) 20-Jelly Roll Morton (1885) 21-Dizzy Gillespie (1917), Elvin Bishop (1942), Doctor Ross (1925), Steve Cropper (1941) 22-Jamie N Commons (1988) 23-Rufus "Speckled Red" Perryman (1892), Boozoo Chavis (1930) 24-Sonny Terry (1911), Willie Mabon (1925), Jimmy Dawkins (1936), Bill Wyman(1936) 26-Mahalia Jackson (1911), Detroit Junior (1931), Bootsy Collins (1951) 27-Henry Townsend (1909), Benny Turner (1939) 28-Graham Bond (1937) 29-Peter Green (1946), Eric Gales (1974) 30-Tommy Ridgely (1925), Ryan McGarvey (1987) 31-Ethel Waters (1896), Illinois Jacquet (1922)



NEIGHBORHOOD THEATRE CHARLOTTE

#### Welcome world champion piano playing honky tonkin' blues star... Victor Wainwright & The Train

Fri, October 19, 2018 Doors: 10:00 pm / Show: 10:30 pm The Evening Muse Charlotte, NC

\$10.00 -\$15.00

### **BLUES TRAVELER**





### The Fillmore Charlotte Saturday October 20



Albert Cummings

Neighborhood Theatre Charlotte NC

Thursday October 18

#### CHRIS ROBINSON \* Growherhood

#### NEIGHBORHOOD THEATR SUNDAY OCTOBER 28 8pm Show

## Wednesday November 21 Tinsley Ellis

### TOMMU Castro Neighborhood Theatre Charlotte NC

### ERIC GALES DEC. 6 re-scheduled

Neighborhood Theatre

### **Charlotte Blues Society** Blues Sundays you DON't want to miss!



### Sunday November 4 Tas Cru Free to CBS Members / \$5 Non-Members At The Rabbit Hole ~ 1801 Commonwealth Ave, Charlotte



### Sunday December 2 Albert Castiglia \$5 Members / \$10 Non-Members

#### 2019 BLUES MUSIC AWARDS SUBMISSION PROCESS OPEN NOW!

For more information about the Blues Music Awards, please visit The Blues Foundation here.

All Blues Musicians are invited to submit their recordings for consideration.

Music released between November 1, 2017 and October 31, 2018 is eligible for consideration for a 2019 Blues Music Award.

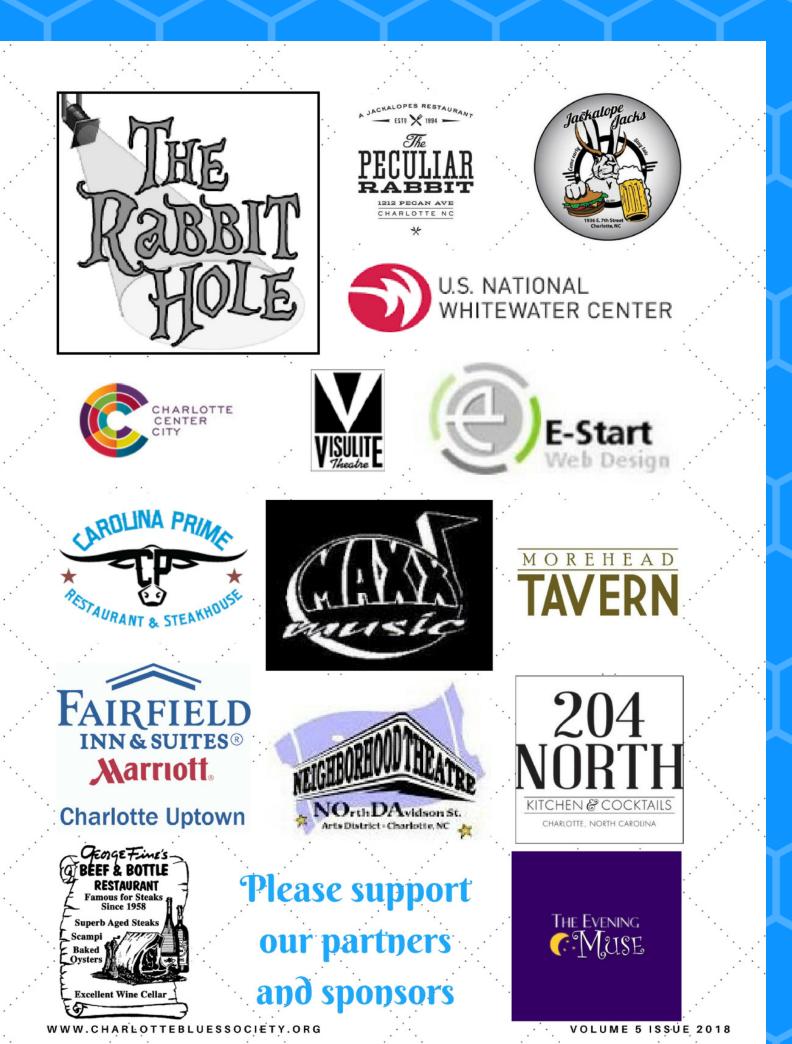
#### INSTRUCTIONS

This year, The Blues Foundation has moved to a digital platform for recording submissions. Your complete album music must be uploaded as MP3 files that are 320 Kbps (kilobytes per second) with album artwork uploaded as either JPEG or PDF files. We will no longer accept hard copy CDs for the purposes of BMA submission review. If you need assistance with uploading your music, Joe Whitmer at joe@blues.org will be available to help you and walk you through the process. We do not want this change to hinder your ability to share your music with the nominators. There is still a fee for submission and our related fee structure and deadlines are as follows:

- Completed Submission by September 30, 2018 \$180 per submission
- Completed Submission between October 1- October 24, 2018 \$225 per submission

The submission process officially closes on October 24, 2018. You must upload your music and artwork and complete payment for your submission transaction no later than OCTOBER 24TH to be considered for a Blues Music Award.

For complete BMA submission details and category requirements, click here.



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