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The Swinging Blackjacks will light up the dance floor at Dora Keogh, 141 Danforth Ave. (next door to Allen's) on Saturday, December 5 for the TBS Xmas Party

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at Jazz Bistro, 251 Victoria St. Michael Pickett (Nov 4), Scott Cushnie (Nov 11), Shakura S'Aida (Nov 18) and The 24th

Street Wailers (Nov 25) \$10 cover (\$8 for Charter Members).

Saturday, November 28, Massey Hall, Women's Blues Revue with featured vocalists Angelique Francis, Crystal Shawanda, Rita Chiarelli, Cécile Doo-Kingué, Suzie Vinnick, Terra Lightfoot backed up by the WBR Band: Rebecca Hennessy (trumpet, band leader), Suzie

Vinnick (guitar), Emily Burgess (quitar), Carlie Howell (bass), Morgan Doctor (drums),



Colleen Allen (sax), Carrie Chesnutt (sax) and Lily Sazz (keyboards). The 29th edition of The Women's Blues Revue returns to the historic site of Massey Hall. Tickets are on sale now! Charter Members receive 20% off every ticket purchase. To retrieve the required promo code, please contact the TBS office.

Saturday, December 5, Dora Keogh, 141 Danforth Ave. (next door to Allen's) 416-778-1804 TBS Annual General Meeting (7pm) followed by Volunteer TORONTO BLUES SOCIET Appreciation and Xmas Party w/The Swingin'

Blackjacks. Limited seating. No Cover.

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11:59pm Pacific Standard Time (2:59am EST). Voting is done online and is open to all Canada residents with a valid email address. Winners will be announced at

the Maple Blues Awards on Monday, January 18, 2016 at the Royal

Conservatory of Music's Koerner Hall in Toronto.

Nominees are selected by the Maple Blues Nominating Panel, à a panel of approximately 45 industry professionals from across Canada. The panel is lead by the

Maple Blues Steering Committee, which includes Terry Parsons (Blind Lemon Radio, CHMR), Yves Trottier (DAWG FM), John Valenteyn (Maple Blues, CIUT) and Brant Zwicker (At the Crossroads, syndicated) and administered by the Toronto Blues Society Office. For more information, check the Maple Blues Awards page at www. torontobluessociety.com

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Acoustic Act of the Year

Big Dave McLean Cécile Doo-Kingué Harrison Kennedy Michael Jerome Browne Ross Neilsen

Male Vocalist of the Year

Harrison Kennedy John Mays Jon Knight (Soulstack) Kirby Sewell Matt Andersen

Female Vocalist of the Year

Angel Forrest Cécile Doo-Kingué Cheryl Lescom Samantha Martin Shakura S'Aida

New Artist or Group of the Year

Cécile Doo-Kingué Jenie Thai The Kirby Sewell Band Samantha Martin & Delta Sugar Sugar Brown

Year Buddy Guy Elvin Bishop Eric Bibb Mavis Staples Sugaray Rayford RING Recording/ Producer of the Year Big Dave McLean Faded But Not Gone (Black Hen); Producer: Steve Dawson Colin Linden Rich In Love (Stony Plain); Producers: Colin Linden, John Dymond & Gary Craig

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Harmonica Player of the Year Guy Bélanger Harpdog Brown Jerome Godboo Roly Platt Steve Marriner (MonkeyJunk)

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Horn Player of the Year

Al Lerman (Fathead) Chris Whitelev Frank Thiffault (Ben Racine Band) Jon Wong (The 24th Street Wailers) Richard Thornton (Jack de Keyzer)

Drummer of the Year

Chris Nordquist (Cannery Row) Dave King (Steve Strongman) Lindsay Beaver (The 24th Street Wailers) Matt Sobb (MonkeyJunk) Tom Bona (Soulstack, Raoul & the Big Time)

Bassist of the Year

Alan Duffy (Jack de Keyzer) Alec Fraser (Rick Fines, Fraser/ Daley) Keith Picot (Twisters, Brandon Isaak) Leigh-Anne Stanton (Wicked Grin) Owen Veber (Dalannah & Owen)

Songwriter of the Year

Big Dave McLean Colin Linden Harrison Kennedy John Campbelljohn Samantha Martin

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The winners are selected by the votes of blues fans from across Canada. Blues fans can cast their votes online at www.mapleblues.ca. Public voting opens Wednesday, November 4 at 11:59pm Newfoundland Daylight Time (10:29pm EST) and closes Friday, December 4 at 11:59pm Pacific Standard Time (2:59am EST).

The voting site has been designed and programmed by KMP Designs Inc., a Toronto software consulting company specializing in custom software development for the desktop PC, wireless handheld, and the Web.

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Michael Pickett | Nov 4 @ 8pm

Pickett's unique fusion of sensibilities, driven by his thumping delta guitar rhythms, muscular harmonica and gravel and chains voice is, at once, traditional and relevant. Never content to merely be a musical archivist, Pickett effectively deconstructs and reconstructs those seminal blues, born on the delta, to serve his own singular purpose; writing songs that are authentic both in substance and performance. An acknowledged harmonica virtuoso, Pickett has led, and performed with, roots/blues bands clearly recognized for their significant contribution to a venerable musical art-form.

Accompanied only by his guitar, rack harmonica and sensual expression, Michael Pickett is a performer who has stripped away the frills, to arrive at a place that belongs entirely to him.



Scott Cushnie | Nov 11 @ 8pm

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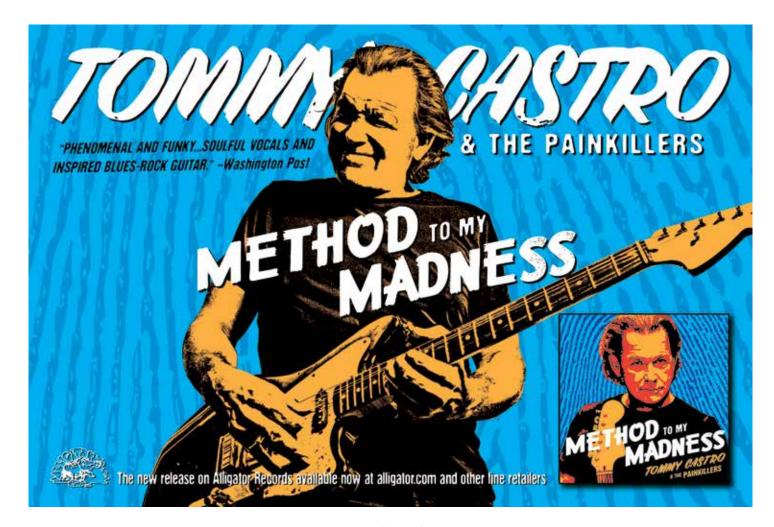


The 24th Street Wailers | Nov 25 @ 8pm

Experienced, road-tested and tougher than a two by four, The 24th Street Wailers are five musicians who originally met in music school.

Their major influence? The sounds from the freewheeling period in the '40s and '50s when the Blues gave birth to Rock and Roll in black communities in major American cities. When showmanship mattered. When the sax player, not the guitarist, got the girls.

Please Note: Admission is \$10 but TBS members pay only \$8 (let the reception desk know you are a member when you arrive).



Shakura S'Aida | Nov 18 @ 8pm

Born in Brooklyn, New York. Raised in Switzerland. A longtime Canadian who lives in Toronto. That's Shakura S'Aida, a truly international artist whose involvement in the Canadian music scene has been ongoing for 25 years. Along the way, she has enriched the jazz, blues and classic R&B communities with her soulful voice, enthusiastic personality and commitment to her deep soul music.

Notes Ruotes

If music lovers are looking to come across a young Canadian artist that fills every component required for success and longevity, it is time you are introduced to Ottawa Ontario's Angelique Francis. A young singer and multi-instrumentalist, Francis made a substantial stir in the music scene in 2011. At the age of 13, she was selected by the Ottawa Blues Festival as one of Canada's emerging artists, and since then, her list of acknowledgements has only grown. Within a few years, she cemented herself in the music industry as a talented songwriter too, writing a song for the Oprah Winfrey Network (OWN) that was featured on the Gayle King Show (2014). That same year, the Toronto Blues Society recognized Angelique as one of the top emerging artists as well. She has won an Artchild Award, a Global Alliance Community Builder Award, and been featured on the cover of Ottawa's Women's Magazine. The list is longer, however, not yet complete, when considering that Francis isn't even 20 years old.

For this edition of Notes & Quotes, Angelique Francis will delve into what it is that defines her sound, how her musical skillset gives her an advantage, and what is on the horizon for the artist that seems to be developing musically right before our eyes.

Although known for having a rich texture to her vocals, one of the pertinent things that defines Angelique Francis as an artist is her overall sound - a unique blend of genres that, when combined, generate a sound that can be identified as hers alone. When asked to describe her sound comprehensively, Francis says, "If I had to put a name to it, I would call it Eclectic Blues. That being said, you can hear influences of all kinds of music. There are influences of jazz, R&B, soul, folk reggae and rock that get blended in with the Blues. For example, one of my songs might be a 12 bar structure with a reggae feel. The style of song that comes out usually depends on the instrument I am playing - there's something about the instrument that gives the feel to the sona."

One chief reason why Angelique is able to achieve her signature sound is due to the fact that she plays an array of instruments to accompany her as a vocalist. She has a skillset on keys, drums, guitar and bass, and can be found performing with whatever she feels fitting at a live performance. It is not unusual to see Francis on stage singing and playing the upright bass alone, or with an acoustic guitar accompanied by a full band. The conversation organically moved in the direction of Angelique discussing what it means to her to be a multi-instrumentalist. She offered "It gives me variety, and it gives me diversity as an artist to play a number of instruments. When I play with different instruments, I play differently too – If I am playing an acoustic guitar, my songs might have more of a folk feeling. If I am playing the upright bass, I know I will probably be leaning to more of a jazz feel in my playing. Also, when I play with certain bands on different instruments, it gives me the ability to fit in with *their* sound. I think that diversity is important – both for playing and learning."

Knowing that as an acknowledged youth she is setting an example for other young aspiring artists, Angelique Francis is quick to add words of advice to others who are looking to follow the same path. When asked what she would say to those who are hopeful to imprint themselves in the music World, Angelique says;"Find a sound of your own. Then, rock it! Be confident in what you are doing, and stick with it. And, believe in yourself and what you are doing. Know that you are the one with that sound, and then go for it."

The evidence is there that Francis has taken her own advice, and in addition to the aforementioned accolades, there is a tour that supports the efforts she has made to date. Francis has performed at numerous festivals and events that are worth mentioning, including the Ottawa Bluesfest, the Canada Walk of Fame Festival, and the Quebec Ontario Music Festival. The list of performances continues to grow too. Most notably, Francis will be one of the featured female artists at the upcoming Women's Blues Revue on November 28th at Massey Hall.

The Women's Blues Revue is an annual event, presented by the Toronto Blues Society, which features an all-woman, all-star group of musicians. Francis is excited at the prospect of being a part of the event's history during her part of the show at the upcoming event.



She is looking forward to an inaugural performance with an All-Star group that night for a number of reasons. When asked what she thought might be the most exciting potential about being a part of the Women's Blues Revue, Angelique readily offers, "What's really exciting to me is to be able to be a part of an all-woman group – that will be *really* good. I also look forward to being on stage with all of these women, because they have so much knowledge and experience. I'm pretty sure the whole night will be an amazing one, and I'm so glad to be a part of it. It'll be a lot of fun I'm sure too!"

Of note, Angelique Francis will be sharing the stage at the Women's Blues Revue with other featured artists such as Terra Lightfoot, Crystal Shawanda, and Suzie Vinnick, who have already offered their thoughts on the Women's Blues Revue in previous editions of Notes & Quotes (featured in the July, August, and September issues of Maple Blues).

In addition to Angelique Francis' performance schedule, she continues to

write original material for an upcoming EP she hopes will be released soon. When asked what is on the horizon in the upcoming months, Angelique says, "I'm hoping to continue to work on my craft, and I'm looking forward to working on the EP as well, which I am hoping is released before Christmas."

If you haven't had the chance to hear or see Angelique Francis yet, you will undoubtedly know it when you do. Her self-described "eclectic blues" will set her aside from others, and it will quickly become clear that she has earned the accolades because she has tapped into something different with her sound and skillset combined.

For more information on Angelique Francis, visit www.angeliquefrancis.net.

For information on the Women's Blues Revue, the featured artists at this year's event, or to get tickets, visit www.torontobluessociety. com

> Erin McCallum-singer, songwriter, guitarist, bandleader



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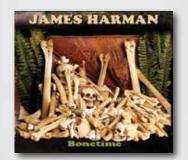




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Michael Kaeshammer The Pianist eOne

After a long string of albums that attempted to transform him into a middle of the road crooner, Michael Kaeshammer has had enough and has put out an album that features him doing what he does best, play blues piano. The songs are in a kind of suite, with Big Maceo's effortlessly performed knucklebuster "Chicago Breakdown" leading off. Kaeshammer's own "Lands End Parade" starts off more slowly with hints of "St. James Infirmary" before the tempo picks up a little, staying in a New Orleans mode however, "Stomp" is firmly there with **Professor Longhair** & James Booker not far from mind. Johnny Mercer's

"Autumn Leaves" shows a quieter side, with some lovely variations. "Janice" is a very attractive slow blues, with some beautiful playing. "Suitcase Blues" is credited here to boogie meister **Albert Ammons** – a highlight. "Cadenza" is an R&B workout that cleverly seems on the verge of quoting famous tunes but doesn't quite get to them. The short but tender "Lullaby" concludes a disc that's over far too quickly.

He might possibly have added the lone(ly) piano features from some of those earlier discs, but I guess you'll have to back & listen to them separately. The piano playing is masterful, the piano lovingly recorded. He's currently on a lengthy tour of China and you can keep up with him at www.michaelkaeshammer.com.



Miss Angel w. Shawn Kellerman Down In Mississippi Electro-Fi

Miss Angel Brown continues to honour the legacy of her late husband Mel Brown, supervising the Mel Brown Award and organizing the festival in his honour in Mississippi scheduled for next spring. Her own career continues too, with this new disc featuring Shawn Kellerman on guitar and as producer. Kellerman was an early protégé of Mel's and was the first recipient of the Award. The apprenticeship led to his joining Bobby Rush's band and later Lucky Peterson's, who guests on one song here. The star of the show, though, is Miss Angel, who has been preparing this disc for a long time.

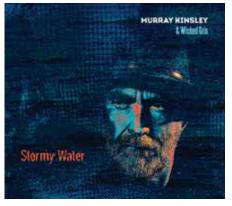
Kellerman plays Mel's Gibson Super 400 and adds bass & drums where needed. Matt Weidinger plays keys. Miss Angel's growth as a blues singer is immediately evident on "Down In Mississippi". It's just guitar and piano behind Miss Angel here, nothing fancy, a downhome blues that'll have you wishing you were in Clarksdale with her. But if you were in Clarksdale you would hear a much more comtemporary sound in the clubs and that's what Miss Angel offers up for the next few songs. "Say It Ain't So", "Honey Doo" & "I Like Your Soul" are all excellent modern blues. "It's A Bad Night To Be A Stray Dog" is one of Fruteland Jackson's unconventional songs, taking Miss Angel out of her comfort zone but she handles it very well indeed. It appears to be a song that's been in reserve a while, with Mel Brown himself on acoustic guitar & piano. The gospel standard "Thank You Lord" is up next with a full quartet backing her. It sounds like it might have been recorded in a church in Clarksdale. Lucky Peterson takes over on keys for another gospel song, "This Train", perhaps from the same Clarksdale session. Tennessee Ernie Ford's "16 Tons" gets a nicely bluesy treatment with a fine vocal.

The disc ends as it began with a fine downhome blues, "Blues in the Alley", written by Miss Angel. This album is going to be treated a little differently by Electro-Fi: you'll have to get the actual CD from Miss Angel herself or from www.electrofi. com. Otherwise it will only be available as a download from iTunes, it will not be in retail stores.



Mark Crissinger Blues Expression MGC

Mark Crissinger hails from Nanaimo now but he was a longtime Toronto resident, playing in the band Caution Jam, and before that in the rock band Sweet Jones. These days he performs solo and with a band on occasion, and you should be able to catch him in both formats on his current tour, which lands him at Monarch's Pub on November 12 for the official CD Release Party. On this disc he's backed by Bill Hicks on drums, Jeff Heisholt on keys, Martyn Jones on bass and Marty Howe on harmonica. With these bands and solo he has an extensive recording history and that experience shows on this disc. He clearly hasn't restricted himself to blues but with this disc he's decided to do exactly that. "Celebration Blues" invites everyone to have a good time and is a most effective opener. "Shake A Leg" is an excellent rocker, with Heisholt in full Jerry Lee Lewis mold. Crissinger is a very good guitarist and his solo here is a killer. "In Love With A Liar" slows things down a little bit for an attractive slice of R&B."5000 Miles (from home)" is a gorgeous road song with prominent organ and harmonica. "Blues Expression" is Crissinger's 'Why I Sing The Blues' and he has some very good answers for that question. "Slice of Life" is another blues highlight. Our loss is clearly Nanaimo's gain. The web site is www.crissinger.ca where his songs are streaming and it'll also show he's in the West End at the Blue Goose on Nov. 15.



Murray Kinsley & Wicked Grin Stormy Water Phoenix

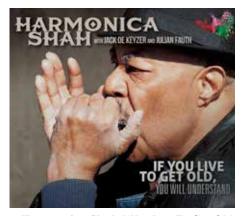
Ottawa's **Wicked Grin** took home last year's MBA for New Artist, and the album *Shame On Me* has garnered several other awards as well. **Murray Kinsley** is the bandleader, vocalist, guitarist and main songwriter, hence the new special billing, I guess.

Rod Williams plays harp, Leigh-Anne Stanton, bass & Liam Melville, drums and all the attention has been a major confidence builder. The new songs are a big step forward from an already good *Shame On Me*. The band playing is simply superb and judging by their blog, it seems one reason is that they had time to do the recording properly.

You couldn't want for a better opening song than "Dance Pretty Woman", if this doesn't fill the dance floor nothing will. "By My Side", "Fast Fast Car" & "Talk Is Cheap" will keep it full as will Sleepy John Estes' "Everybody Ought To Make A Change", which gets a very impressive band workout. They deal with social issues as well, with aging the subject of "Death If You Find Me" featuring a double-tracked vocal & some fine harp work from Williams. "Shine" is an ambitious slide-driven song that asks a beauty to shine her love on our narrator, the album highlight. "Evil Coming Round" is a doom-laden number driven by Stanton's low-tuned bass, musically very impressive but the lyrics use pretty much every cliché you can think of. "You're Gone" is also very good with guite a nice tune.

They were just here at Monarch's and I hope you caught some of the new tunes. The CD will be officially launched at Irene's Pub in Ottawa on November 28.

The web site is www.wickedgrin.ca.



Harmonica Shah If You Live To Get Old, You'll Understand Electro-Fi/Outside

Harmonica Shah's latest report from the relationship wars lands on November 17 and again features the stellar backup cast of Jack de Keyzer, Julian Fauth, Alec Fraser & Bucky Berger. Seward 'Harmonica' Shah is from Detroit and perhaps it's his background there that led him to come up with such an unconventional songs. They don't follow bar lines at all, being mostly made up on the spot but they do fit perfectly into the golden age of Chicago blues. It takes band members of this calibre and experience to make it all work and after five discs, this combination runs like a well-oiled machine. On the first song, "Baby, You Have Got To Change", Shah is having difficulty relating to his woman now that she has her own job at GM."I Just Don't Want You No More" doesn't need much explanation lyrically but the solos are just superb: Shah's amplified harp first, then two choruses of Jack on slide and finally Julian on piano. "(What's done) Deep Down in The Dark (Will Come to the Light)" has just Julian on a superb piano accompaniment. Only Shah could come up with "Congratulations, That New Love You've Got Is My Wife". It's a stomping band track. The title track is the closer and it's a slow blues thanking his younger wife for looking after him (and having his three kids). Shah's talent for improvising such excellent blues is perfectly matched by this all-star band, it doesn't get much better than this.

Eric Bibb & JJ Milteau Lead Belly's Gold Stony Plain/Warner

With the recent release of the Smithsonian **Lead Belly** Box, this is a very timely disc, adding an exceptional contemporary tribute album to the legacy. **Eric Bibb** is the son of legendary folksinger **Leon**, of the generation following Lead Belly and he actually got to see him perform. But the repertoire would have been all around the Bibb household. As Eric states in the beautiful booklet, this music is in his DNA. JJ Milteau is the French harmonica virtuoso who explains there why Lead Belly's music resonated in France. The project was recorded at a jazz club in Paris before an invited audience, in much the same kind of setting as Lead Belly's performances. Lead Belly 'Gold' is indeed what we get here with "On A Monday", "House of the Rising Sun", "Midnight Special", "Goodnight Irene", "Rock Island Line" and more with sparkling new arrangements and tempos that don't stray too far from the originals and don't make



any concessions to more modern versions you may be more familiar with. "Grey Goose" opens a 12-song live set, with Bibb on vocals & acoustic guitar, Milteau on his arsenal of harmonicas and Larry Crocket adding remarkably effective percussion. "Midnight Special" & "Where Did You Sleep Last Night" feature additional lyrics and a harder blues voice from Bibb than we're used to and are much the better for it. A Bibb-Milteau original on Lead Belly's early days, "When I Get To Dallas", has the young Lead Belly anxious to perform for Blind Lemon Jefferson - nicely done. Michael Robinson & Big Daddy Wilson add valuable backing vocals on several songs. Five studio songs end the disc and just lack the audience, while maintaining that warm ambience. Michael Jerome Browne guests on a couple of these. Bibb's "Chauffeur Blues" imagines the Lomaxes driving Lead Belly around. This is just a lovely listening experience, sufficiently different to please Lead Belly fans and a wonderful introduction to those who aren't.

> -John Valenteyn jvalenteyn8724@rogers.com



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RJ.P. Smokin' Joe: Smokin' Joe Kubek died Oct. 11, 2015 at the age of 58. The Texas-based blues guitarist died just before he was to perform at the Pleasure Island Seafood & Blues Festival in North Carolina. Kubek last performed in our region at the 2012 Kitchener Blues Festival with long-time collaborator Bnois King.



Maple Blues Awards Voting Opens Nov 4: Voting for this year's Maple Blues Awards goes live Wednesday, Nov 4 at 11:59pm Newfoundland Daylight Time (10:29pm EST). Blues fans across Canada can vote online for their favourite blues musicians from November 4 until December 4. The Maple Blues Awards return to the Royal Conservatory of Music's Koerner Hall on Monday, January 18th, 2016 at 7:00pm. Find out this year's winners as we celebrate Canadian blues with music, special guests, and an afterparty like no other. TBS Charter Members can purchase tickets for only \$28 and receive 10% off premium seats! To take advantage of this offer, please contact the TBS Office at 416-538-3885 or info@torontobluessociety.com to retrieve the required promo code. Member tickets must be purchased by November 15 to be eligible for the discount. And don't forget to vote by going to www.mapleblues.ca after November 4

Electro-Fi goes Vinyl: After 18 years and 90 award winning CD's. label boss Andrew Galloway is happy to announce that Toronto's Electro-Fi Records have finally decided to actually release a "record". Harrison Kennedy's This Is From Here is the debut release in a limited edition of 500 vinyl lp's, signed by the artist and specially re-mastered for vinyl by audio ace Nick Blagona. Living Blues magazine in a review of the album stated "Harrison Kennedy is a Modern Blues Master of True Substance". The proof is in the grooves. The upcoming 2016 "Golden State Lone Star Blues Revue" release on Electro-Fi featuring Mark Hummel, Anson Funderburgh and Little Charlie Baty will also be released on limited edition vinyl.

Learn to Boogie: Scott 'Professor Piano' Cushnie, the legendary blues and boogiewoogie musician is starting a You Tube video series, 'Professor Piano's Lessons in Blues' so if you've ever wanted to learn how to play the keys like a pro, check out Professorpiano. ca. And you can hear the Prof in action at the Jazz Bistro November 11th and Leslie Jones restaurant on November 4.

Jerome is Jammin': Harpmeister Jerome Godboo has started a regular jam in the east end. The Duke Live Jam will take place every Tuesday at 9 pm at the Duke, 1225 Queen E



Rita Chiarelli, a perrenial show-stopper at the Women's Blues Revue, will be rocking the venerable Massey Hall on November 28 when she takes the stage amongst a great lineup of female vocalists backed up by an all-female band.

at Leslie. Jerome is also playing every Sunday at 10 pm at Roc n' Docs, 105 Lakeshore Rd. W. in Port Credit with Shawn Kellerman, Eric Schenkman and Gary Craig.

New Blues Series: Ghost In The Machine has announced a new monthly Blues series and kicking it off with Jack de Keyzer on November 5. The Rockin Winter Blues Series will happen on the First Thursday of every month at The Rockpile, 5555 Dundas StW. The proceeds from each of their shows will go to a good cause, the first being Men's Health Awareness. Advance Ticket \$12, \$15 at the door. Also performing this night will be The Blues Time featuring Alishan Hagopian and Frank Cosentino, Jerry Johnson featuring Steve Negus on the drums, Flash Teeter and The Men From Mars featuring rising star Paul "Flash" Teeter and Max Brand. www.facebook. com/ghostinthemachinepromotions

Down in Hamilton, a new series called Saturday Nite Blues kicks off on Saturday November 7th, with the award-winning MacKenzie Blues Band. The venue is the Jet Hall, located at 746 Barton Street E. in Hamilton. Tickets are \$15.00 at the door, \$10.00 in advance available online at Ticketscene.ca, Jet Cafe 184 King St. E., and John Street Diner 24 John St. N. Doors open at 6:00 PM, show starts 7:30. Future Saturday Nite Blues performers: Nov 14 Andre Bisson CD Release Party; Nov 21 The Smoke Wagon Blues Band - Road to Memphis Fundraiser; Nov 28 Soulstack ; Dec 5 Joel Johnson Band; Dec 12 Wicked Grin; Dec 19 Frank Cosentino & Alishan. To learn more please visit www. blusesourceentertainment.ca

Talking about Blues on Film: Preserving The Blues is a podcast on blues music out of Burlington, Vermont and recently did a lengthy interview with filmmaker and former MapleBlues contributor Christopher Darton. Chris is a Canadian filmmaker helping to preserve the rich history of Canadian blues music. Musicians and bands such as Danny Brooks, the Kendall Wall band and Richard Newell (King Biscuit Boy) are three that he chose to start documenting and preserving. Chris talks about the Canadian blues scene and some of the challenges he has encountered documenting it. Visit www. preserving the blues.org and check the recent posts for the item on "preserving Canadian blues.

JUNO Awards back to Ottawa: The JUNO Awards mark a historic return to the nation's capital. Ottawa will host The 2017 JUNO Awards and JUNO Week celebrations March 27 to April 2, 2017 and the 46th annual JUNO Awards will be broadcast on CTV direct from the Canadian Tire Centre on Sunday, April 2, 2017.



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Many thanks to Carol Flett, Janice Knowles, Tom Robertson, Nada Saranovich and GeoffVirag for their help at the "Hump Day Blues" series on Wednesdays at the Jazz Bistro.

Many thanks as well to Carol Flett, Tom Robertson and Geoff Virag for their help with the newsletter mailing.



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Fat City Blues 890 College Street 647-345-8282 Tue-10-Nov 8PM Sugar Brown

Gate 403 416-588-2930 Sat-31-Oct 5PM Bill Heffernan & His Friends

Grossman's Tavern 379 Spadina Ave. 416-977-7000 Sat-31-Oct 10PM Caution Jam with Mark Crissinger Halloween Bash

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Fri-27-Nov 8:30 PM New Country Rehab, Kevin Fox, The Oh Chays, Jenie Thai, and more Heart of Saturday Night: Tom Waits Tribute Sat-28-Nov 8:30 PM Last Waltz Tribute

Sun-29-Nov 2PM Ken Whiteley's Gospel Matinee with George Olliver, Jeremiah Sparks, Lance Anderson

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Monarch's Pub - Eaton Chelsea Hotel

Thu-5-Nov 8PM Mark Stafford with Wayne Buttery & Groove Project Thu-12-Nov 8PM Mark Crissinger Band with Jerome Godboo Thu-19-Nov 8PM Michael Schatte Thu-26-Nov 8PM Jack de Keyzer Thu-3-Dec 8PM Jerome Godboo

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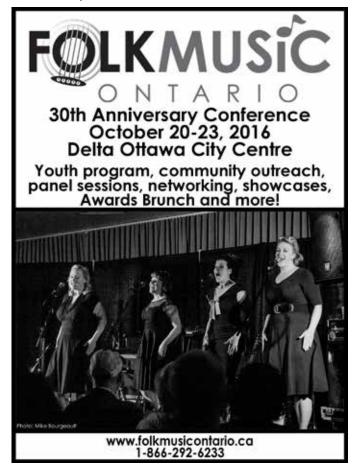
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The Local Pub 396 Roncesvalles Ave 416-535-6225 Thu-19-Nov 9PM Crissinger



Michael Schatte was a highlight at the Toronto Blues Society showcase at the Folk Music Ontario Conference and will be performing in Toronto at Monarch's Pub on Thursday, November 19



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