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Blues on Greens. We welcome with this issue a new year round Toronto Blues Society sponsorship from the State of Mississippi. You can see their ad promoting the October 9-15 Golf & Blues Week on page 14 and their logo will be showing up in a lot of our materials. We thank Collingwood based representative Claudio DeMarchi who is Mr. Golf convention and through his on going promotion has found that touring into historic blues turf is a good fit for duffers and those with tiny handicaps alike. Apparently some people go on these excursions who don't even play golf! Find Your True South by dialing 888-669-7662 and watch our various communication vehicles for more news through the year.

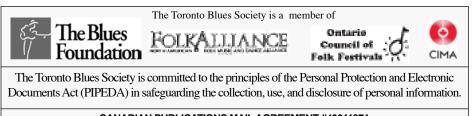
# **Upcoming TBS Events**

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The TBS Talent Search is part of the Toronto Blues Society's ongoing programme. It is made possible by the generous support of the Department of Canadian Heritage, the Ontario Arts Council, and the City of Toronto through the Toronto Arts Council.



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Third Year for Underground Railroad Music Festival: The Underground Railroad Music Festival returns this year, taking place in Drayton at Centennial Park on August 13, Noon-7pm. Drayton is in the region of Ontario that was a main terminus on the Underground Railroad. The festival is a celebration of the lives and contributions of the early Black settlers that came to Canada in the late 1700's and early 1800's. Performers include Harrison Kennedy, Curley Bridges, Kevin Breit, DouglasWatson, Chris & Jesse Whiteley, Miss Angel, Donovan Locke, Diana Braithwaite and guest speaker Pastor Tim Bailey joined by the Mississippi Gospel Singers.

This is the 3rd year for this unique event put together by. The festival is held in the same area that festival founder Diana Braithwaite's ancestors settled when they first came to Canada through the Underground Railroad.

Don't miss this outdoor summer festival presenting world class folk, blues, jazz, bluegrass, gospel music and a little history about the Underground Railroad and the early Black pioneers! Tickets are \$30.00 for Adults and \$10 for youths 14 - 17. Children 12 and under admitted free when accompanied by a parent. More at www.braithwaiteandwhiteley.com/ music-festival.html

Concert for Peace: Michael and Louise Pickett present their fourth annual Concert for Peace in their own back yard at Crystal Beach, Sunday September 4. Confirmed performers are Michael Pickett, Dominic Mancuso, D.K. Ibomeka and Hard Ryde. Seating is limited and advance payment guarantees your space. A minimum donation of \$35 via PayPal/Credit Card or by cheque payable to Michael Pickett, POB 346, Crystal Beach, ON LOS 1B0. Cheques must be received no later than August 19. A portion of the proceeds goes to Ecojustice.ca (formerly Sierra Legal Defence Fund), Canada's largest and foremost non-profit environmental law organization. Guests are invited to contribute a small salad/dessert of their choice. More info at www.michaelpickett.com or 289.876.9202

The Rose Outdoor Friday Night Concert Series: The Rose Theatre in Brampton is hosting a free Friday night concert series that begins at 8pm each week. The line-up features Michael Pickett (July 29), Christina Martin (Aug 5), Kevin Breit Trio (Aug 19), Dean McTaggart & Friends w/ Suzie Vinnick (Aug 26).

Julian Fauth Recovering: The blues community has rallied to the aid of our favourite piano man, Julian Fauth, winner of several awards - Juno and Maple Blues - who had a nasty fall and broke his right shoulder in four places. This means



**Douglas Watson** will be performing at the Underground Railroad Music Festival August 13, Noon-7pm in Drayton

that as a full-time musician, Julian will not be able to perform for several months and has no means to support himself in addition to paying all the travel/ hotel/ambulance expenses for the western tour that never happened. Several benefit concerts have already taken place with more to come. The most recent on Wednesday, July 20th at Hollywood on the Queensway has added to the fund and anyone wishing to pitch in can make a direct donation using PayPal in the amount of \$20, \$50 or \$100 at www.electrofi.com by scrolling down to "Le'ts Give Julian Fauth a Hand" then click on "Find Out How". You can also mail a cheque (payable to Julian Fauth in care of Electro-Fi Records, 185 Legion Rd. N. Suite 1410, Toronto, ON M8Y0A1 Electro-Fi is contributing all profits on the sales of Julian's 2 CD's and the Blues Piano-Rama CD directly to Julian for the next six months.

Blues Views: We hope you've been making it out to some of the great blues festivals that have taken place so far but for those who missed some of their favourite artists you might get lucky and find a video clip on YouTube. Most artists (but not Robert Cray) have resigned themselves to roughand-ready iPhone videos of their performances appearing online and one has only to search YouTube, Vimeo, Facebook or a number of other purveyors of instant video memorabilia. If you prefer your viewing to be "curated", long time friend of TBS, Richard Flohil, this year's recipient of the Blues Foundation's "Keeping the Blues Alive" Award as Publicist of the Year. has been sending out daily video-links of classic blues & jazz performances, mostly accompanied by personal recollections and anecdotes. To get on his video buddy list, send a note to rflohil@ sympatico.ca

RIP Tanja Rice: Friend, lover, companion, and mother of Steve Payne's youngest daughter lost her brave battle against cancer and passed away last week in Bristol, UK. Tanja was a great artist in her own right and swung through Toronto on two or three tours and loved to play those old gospel tunes as well as her original material. Steve writes "Tanja will be cremated in a Tanja -esque ceremony at her request at Canford Crematorium 9 am Fri morning 29 July .. and a party / wake to celebrate her life will be held at the Duke of York pub St Werburghs, 2 Jubilee Rd straight after at 11 am. She requested that no one should turn up dressed in black (unless of course that was their regular dress code ) and that the wake should be a celebration not a sad occasion"



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The TBS membership rates have not changed for many years despite increases to the cost of printing and mailing. In addition, we have been absorbing the GST and now HST within the membership fee.

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# Lily Sazz



Growing up on a fruit farm in Beamsville, Ontario, it seemed a natural course for Lily Sazz to pursue a career in farming. However, it was a few years before she decided to study music at McMaster University in Hamilton, and follow her true passion.

"I thought about being in the music business in my childhood and teen years. I worked at music stores and studied independently, but got serious about it when I was 22."

Originally a classical musician majoring in harpsichord and piano while earning her Honours Bachelor of Music Degree at McMaster University, she happened upon an outdoor performance by Crowbar with "King Biscuit Boy" in downtown Hamilton - a performance that would lead Lily towards the blues.

"Richard Newell, aka "King Biscuit Boy", helped me immensely by loaning me myriad tapes of various piano players. I picked up licks and eventually learned to join them together and ultimately developed my own style of playing based on my faves. I was moved by Professor Longhair, Dr. John, Marcia Ball and Stan Szelest", said Lily.

Currently, Lily is keyboardist and "mother hen" for the award-winning funk/blues/r'n'b outfit, Groove Corporation; an eight-piece band that released their first CD, "Record Prophets" in 2009.

"Groove Corporation started out around 1993 as mostly a funk cover band. In the last year the direction has moved into funky blues with more emphasis on original material. With three excellent horn players, congas and a full rhythm section we are free to explore many artists like Solomon Burke, Delbert McClinton, and obscure material by bands like Gypsy Soul."

Lily is also an active member of several committees and organizations and a long time member of the Musicians Advisory Council for the TBS. She was also the bandleader for the Queen Bees who were the back up band for a dozen major stars at the Canada's Walk of Fame, "Rock the Walk" event in 2006. From 1997 to 2006, she held the position of musical director and keyboard player for the highly acclaimed, TBS Women's Blues Revue. The WBR is a yearly event, which features an all-female band and guest performances by six renowned female vocalists.

"I loved being the bandleader. During my tenure, the show went from being presented at Trinity St. Paul's to Danforth Music Hall and now Massey Hall. I produced the 20th anniversary CD and felt it was a good time to pass the reins to someone new. Suzie Vinnick took over from 2007 to 2009. In 2010, Donna Grantis filled the position and will be bandleader again this year. The WBR band is like a little sisterhood. We work well together, and there is a nice camaraderie." Being a part of the WBR has challenged Lily to learn a variety of music she says, she wouldn't otherwise have had an opportunity to perform.

"I love the opportunity of playing with singers I've admired for years as well as newcomers whose careers have since skyrocketed."

The 25th Women's Blues Revue will be held Saturday, November 26 at Massey Hall in Toronto. The WBR Band is Donna Grantis - Musical Director/Guitar, Lily Sazz - Keys, Brandi Disterheft - Upright Bass, Lindsay Beaver-Drums, Colleen Allen - Sax, Carrie Chesnutt - Sax, Rebecca Hennessy - Trumpet. Featured vocalists are Ada Lee, Emma-Lee, Kat Danser, Shakura S'Aida, Treasa Levasseur and Suzie Vinnick.

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Women's Blues Revue band leader **Donna Grantis** has been busily recording her Electric Band debut album at Sly-Fi Chapel Recording Studiow with producer Brent Bodrug. She will be featured on a TV show on Treasure HD called Guitar Picks that profiles guitar players and collectors. "While I was recording my record up at the Chapel, the producers of the show dropped by to chat about music. Look out for the episode to air over the next week or two, and check out some behind the scenes footage of the making of Suites." says Donna.

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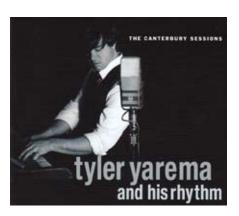
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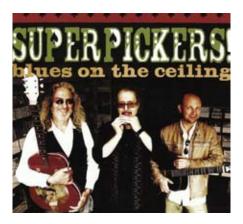
Susan Wylde In The Light Sun, Moon & Stars

Torontonian Susan Wylde aims to explode blues myths and by starting with conservatory training she explodes one immediately. If that led to her choosing Jack de Keyzer as her coproducer and lead guitarist plus the A-List of the community in the other positions, then she's off to a very good start. Her attractive alto voice would normally be where the conservatory training would be noticeable but on the opening "One Real Man", she acquits herself very well. Pete Schmidt is on the other guitar, Alec Fraser on bass & Rick Donaldson on drums. Wylde plays piano but Dave McMorrow, Denis Keldie & Martin Aucoin are also on board. Colleen Allen adds tenor sax where needed. "Love Me All Night Long" continues the theme, with some fine piano from McMorrow and a display of vocalizing from Wylde. A harmony vocal by Jasmine Bailey is a nice touch. "Lovely Push-Up Bra" is dedicated to Jeff Healey, but seemingly for its prewar jazz style rather than for its subject matter. She has fun with the vocal, something she could do more often, and Dave Dunlop has the cornet solo. Johnny 'Guitar' Watson's "Three Hours Past Midnight" is a treat. It opens with slashing guitar from Jack and Wylde offers her most involved vocal. Bessie Smith's "Nobody Knows When You're Down And Out" returns to the prewar sound but with some fine harmonica from Paul Reddick. Wylde's rollicking piano is mixed forward and her vocal shows she's lived with this song for some time. When you're "In The Light", you're in a place of contentment & joy, so says the press kit and the song expresses that feeling very well. The minor key song features a delightful sax solo from Colleen Allen. Back to the blues with "That's What You Do To Me', a song she got from Colin James, driven by Dave McMorrow on organ. "Turn Me On" is a John D. Loudermilk song done as a very nice slow blues with Pete Schmidt on lead guitar for this one. These originals and well-chosen covers are succeeded by some songs that didn't really need re-doing. "Georgia On My Mind", "The Thrill Is Gone" & "At Last" get performances that unfortunately don't add much to the recorded history. Those earlier songs, though, show much promise and with **Buddy Guy**'s management team behind her, we'll be hearing a lot more from Susan Wylde. Stay informed at <u>www.</u> susanwylde.com.



# **Tyler Yarema and his rhythm** *The Canterbury Sessions* Self

A permanent record of his long running gig at The Reservoir Lounge on Wellington Street, this collection of ten covers showcases a working band at its best. Professor Longhair begins the program and "Mardi Gras In New Orleans" gets a rousing, sure-fingered treatment. All these songs share a somewhat unusual pattern in starting out as a faithful rendition and gradually bringing in the full band with a well-thought out and exciting new arrangement. The best example is perhaps "Dearest Darling", with its signature Bo Diddley beat carried on piano & baritone sax with Mark Mariash working hard on those tom toms and, over top, Yarema's impassioned vocal. Louis Jordan's hit, "Knock MeAKiss" features some particularly fine horn work. Jimmy Reed's "Baby What You Want Me To Do" includes a fine solo from guitarist Jesse Barksdale, who otherwise sticks to rhythm playing. Nat King Cole's hit version seems to have provided the template for this relaxed performance of "Gee, Baby, Ain't I Good To You". Willie Dixon's "Violent Love" isn't, in my opinion, one of his best songs and the version by Otis Rush couldn't save it. Yarema goes back to The Big Three Trio version and brings back a lost era. Ray Charles rounds out the program proper as Yarema pounds out "Mess Around". The CD actually concludes with Leroy Carr's "How Long Blues", only this solo performance is made to sound like a 78rpm recording. I'm not sure why. If I wished to hear it that way, I could play the original. He does a good job, both on the vocal and especially on the piano, with its shades of Longhair, too bad about the fidelity. Ask him to do it live at The Reservoir next time you're there. The web site is <u>www.</u> <u>tyleryarema.com</u>.



**Superpickers!** Blues On The Ceiling Rowdy Blues

Peter Narvaez has been teaching ethnomusicology at Memorial University and performing regularly in and around St. John's for some time now. The Superpickers banner covers two others: Sandy Morris and Glen Collins, who also play various guitars. Narvaez handles the vocals and adds some very fine harp. A number of guests appear throughout who add variety & colour, including two more pickers, Brad Power and John Clarke. Narvaez also supplies some original songs and song notes for a generous, 16-song, hour of excellent roots & blues. Memphis Minnie's "Jump Little Rabbit" leads the way, with a three-key arrangement by Narvaez that'll grab your attention immediately. Guest vocalist Holly Everett double-tracks on a delightful version of the western swing classic, "Miss Molly", with Collins and trumpeter Patrick Boyle. Narvaez' country blues take on "Folsom Prison Blues" is a little startling but it works just fine. The three pickers really enjoy themselves on Sonny Terry's "Diggin' My Potatoes", a feast! Narvaez' unusual, original "Jump 'n' Play Blues" takes a child's perspective, watching a fight between his parents. Not a lot of words but the child would certainly have the blues and that is very effectively conveyed here. The title song might seem familiar and it is indeed the Fred Neil classic with Collins picking & Morris on slide and a marvelous vocal from Narvaez. He has recently beaten back cancer and the diagnosis & treatment are described in his "The Radiation Blues and the Chemo Drag". I think he succeeds in conveying what he must have gone through, it's certainly not an easy listening experience. Much easier is the following tune called "Boat's Up The Tickle", about being marooned for the winter. Clarke, on the Resonator, joins Morris

here to set off Narvaez' vocal. An Amos Milburn song without piano is something a little different by itself but "Romance Without Finance" with acoustic guitar & gorgeous harp makes for a superb slow blues. The traditional "Grasshoppers on My Pillow" gets some new words from Narvaez and he concludes the program with "The Great Train Robbery", a showcase for his own guitar picking. He robs Elizabeth Cotten's "Freight Train" on the way. A very enjoyable acoustic blues CD indeed and you can find out more at <u>www.rowdyblues.com</u> and you can get one at Fred's Records in St. John's at www.freds.nf.ca.



## Rob Lutes & Rob MacDonald Live Self

Veteran Montreal guitarists in an intimate. acoustic setting, before an appreciative audience and with the recording team on hand - a recipe for an enjoyable disc. The club is Le Red Room in Glen Sutton, in the Quebec countryside and the program a selection from Rob Lutes' previous discs plus four favourites. This is one of the best live recordings I've heard, capturing the show so well you might think you didn't have to be there. The 15 years or so of Lutes & McDonald playing together are very much in evidence here as the interplay of the guitars, so beautifully recorded, adds immeasurably to the enjoyment. Lutes' warm & raspy baritone voice mesmerizes and careful listening reveals a thoughtful & eloquent songwriter. The first song, "Uptight", was a winner at the Kerrville Festival a few years back. "I Know A Girl" was inspired by a line from Robert Johnson's "They're Red Hot". "Drop Down Baby" is tour de force of blues guitar as the duo really let fly on a new arrangement of the Sleepy John Estes classic. "I Will Stand By You", from his Ride The Shadows CD, has also been recorded by Dawn Tyler Watson and shows he belongs in that group of singer/songwriters with the likes of Chris Whitley and Chris Smither. Whitley's bluesy original, "Phone Call From Leavenworth" is a keeper as is Lutes' tribute to Smither, "If The Blues Don't Shake You". Fretboard fireworks again highlight the

traditional "Ain't Nobody's Business". More of his own blues, "Keep A Man Down", with McDonald on slide and a song for his father, "Drive My Blues Away" show why his songs are in demand from other performers. Excellent performances of excellent songs: get your copy at www.roblutes.com.



Tedeschi Trucks Band Revelator Sony Masterworks

This band had performed only one gig together, at the Harvest Blues & Jazz Festival in Fredericton, and still won a Maple Blues Award for B.B. King International Artist of the Year - such was the level of anticipation at the news that this couple would finally be working together. The veteran performers had been appearing on each other's CDs for some time and Ms. Tedeschi had also performed with the Allman Brothers. Mr. Trucks' other band. This disc proves that it was worth the wait. They've spent the last year and more writing songs and carefully assembling a band. The eleven-strong all-star ensemble supports their every move. The new songs carry the weight magnificently, with Tedeschi's soaring, gospeltrained voice & Trucks' storytelling slide guitar on the money for each one of them. No jam band lengthy workouts here, just tightly focused gems. "Bluesy roots rock" is one description I've read but these songs merely use earlier styles as building blocks. "Come See About Me" is a fine opener, a song about waiting for a lover to arrive home. It features Memphis horns. "Don't Let Me Slide" is a masterful plea with some excellent blues playing from all. "These Walls" tells the story of a woman left on her own in poverty after her lover left. Scenes are created, often with very few words but beautifully conveyed by expert players. Derek Trucks' Already Free & Susan Tedeschi's Back To The River were both nominated for the contemporary blues Grammy last year, Already Free won. I'm certain Revelator will be on the list next year.

> -John Valenteyn jvalenteyn8724@rogers.com





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# TOP BLUES

This month's recommended listening by Brad Wheeler, music writer for the Globe and Mail

The Tedeschi Trucks Band The Revelator (Sony) William Elliott Whitmore Field Songs (Anti-) **Keb Mo** The Reflection (Yolabelle) The Jeff Healey Band Live At Grossman's - 1994 (Convexe Entertainment)\* Gary Clark Jr. Bright Lights (Warner) Pack a.d. Unpersons (Mint)\* Jimmie Vaughan / Plays More Blues, Ballads and Favourites (Shout! Factory) Ben Waters Boogie 4 Stu (Eagle Rock) ZZ Top Live in Germany - 1980 (Eagle) George Harmonica Smith Teardrops Are Falling (Electro-Fi)\* Vieux Farka Toure The Secret (Secret Degrees) Monkey Junk To Behold (Stony Plain)\* David Gogo Soul-Bender (Cordova Bay)\* Kenny Blues Boss Wayne An Old Rock On A Roll (Stony Plain)\* Junior Wells' Chicago Blues Band, with Buddy Guy Hoodoo Man Blues -Expanded Reissue (Delmark) Ry Cooder Pull Up Some Dust and Sit Down (Nonesuch) Son House Son House In Seattle 1968 (Arcaola) Hugh Laurie Let Them Talk (Warner) Gregg Allman Low Country Blues (Rounder) Susan Wylde In The Light (Sun, Moon & Stars)\* \* = Canadian

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Every Sunday Ken Yoshioka 9:30pm/no cover

## Empire Sandy Bluz Cruise

Aug-14 The Bluesers featuring Chris Cotton 3:00pm-7:00pm Tickets include Roast Beef Diner ,Salad,Dessert and Coffee

### Gate 403

Aug-8 Jorge Gavidia Blues Trio 9pm Aug-15 Jorge Gavidia Blues Trio 9pm Aug-22 Jorge Gavidia Blues Trio 9pm Aug-29 Jorge Gavidia Blues Trio 9pm

**Grossman's Tavern** Every Wed Ernest Lee & Cotton Traffic Rockin' Blues Jam 9pm start Every Sun The Nationals

### Highway 61 Southern BBQ

Aug-6 Shrimp Daddy Aug-13 24th Street Wailers Aug-17 Bob Adams & Neil Chapman Aug-20 Mark "Bird" Stafford Sep-7 Chris Antonik Band 7pm Every Fri Dylan Wickens 8pm Every Mon Chris Chambers 8pm

Hollywood on the Queensway Aug-25 Eric Sardinas & Big Motor 8:00/Jason Burnstick/\$20 Sep-11 (4:30) Groove Corporation Hugh's Room Aug-16 Kelly Joe Phelps Sep-17 Rita Chiarelli

Lola Tavern every Thurs Brian Cober

Mel Lastman Square Aug-12 Suzie Vinnick Cultura Festival. 7:30 p.m. Free Performance

### Monarch`s Pub, Delta Chelsea Hotel

Aug-6 Kenny "Blues Boss" Wayne 8pm \$12.50 Aug-11 The Gary Kendall Band 9pm No Cover Aug-18 Brian Blain 9pm w/Brent Titcomb, Clayton Doley and the Blainette Horns (Carrie Chesnutt and Colleen Allen) No Cover Aug-25 Jack de Keyzer Band 9pm No Cover Sep-15 The 24th Street Wailers 9pm No Cover

Not My Dog Aug-27 Ken Yoshioka 10:00pm

Orbit Room

Aug-30 Clayton Doley Organ Trio

Aug-5 Cross Eyed Cat 9:30 -1:00

# The CNE Midway Stage

Sep-1 Johnny Max & His So Called Friends 3PM Sep-2 Johnny Max & His So Called Friends 3PM

# The Danny -East Danforth Bar & Grill

Sep-16 The Swingin' Blackjacks

**The Emmet Ray** Aug-18 Ken Yoshioka Trio 9:00pm

### The Rex Hotel

Aug-2 Blues Jam with Doctor Nick & The Rollercoasters 9:30 - 12:30pm Open Jam, Everyone Welcome Aug-7 Doctor Nick & The Rollercoasters (3:30 to 6:30pm) Aug-15 Raoul Bhaneja w/ Jumpin' Johnny Sansone 6:30pm

# Toronto Harbourfront

Sep-10 Susan Wylde 4:00 PM

# Upstairs@Aquila

Aug-6 Crossroads Blues Band 9 PM Aug-20 The Ken Yoshioka Blues Band 9:00pm Every Sun Junction Jam w/ New Mynah Birds 3:30 to 7:30 pm Every Sun Ken Yoshioka and James Thomson Noon to 2:00pm

Wise Guys Deluxe Bar & Grill Sep-9 Swingin' Blackjacks 9:30pm - 1:30am



Kenny "Blues Boss" Wayne returns to southern Ontario in early August to celebrate the release of his new CD, "An Old Rock On A Roll". The new recording, on Stony Plain Records was produced by Duke Robillard, featuring members of his touring band and studio crew. The CD launch will take place at Monarch's in Toronto's Delta Chelsea Hotel on Saturday, Aug.6th, followed by a performance at The Kitchener Blues Festival on Sun. Aug.7th.



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2011 Concert For Peace Sep-4 Michael Pickett Dominic Mancuso, D.K. Ibomeka and Hard Ryde 2PM to 10PM \$35pp

Acoustic Blue Mondays @ The Cove Inn

Aug-8 Rick Fines & Suzie Vinnick Dinner & Show \$35 Advance Reservations 7 to 11 pm Aug-22 Roxanne Potvin w. Christine Bougie Dinner & Show \$35 Advance Reservations 7 to 11 pm

## Acoustic Blue Sundays @ The Mill Tavern

Aug-28 Chris Antonik w. Josh Williams Lunch & Show \$30 Advance Reservations 1 to 5 pm

Bruce Steakhouse

Aug-25 Grady Champion Rick and Marilyn Blues; \$10.00

Cadillac Lounge Aug-4 Bryan Lee

**Caigers 1000 Island Resort** Aug-12 Andre & the J-Tones 9 p.m.

# Centennial Park, Drayton, Ontario

Aug-13 Underground Railroad Music Festival 12 - 7 pm Harrison Kennedy, Miss Angel, Kevin Breit, Curley Bridges, Chris & Jesse Whiteley, Donovan Locke, Diana Braithwaite, Douglas Watson

#### Constance Bay Community Centre

Aug-4 Johnny Winter & David Gogo

**D'Arcy McGee's** Aug-11 Andre & the J-Tones 9 p.m.

Fonthill Bandshell Concert Sep-8 Andre & the J-Tones 7 p.m. till 9 p.m. Free

Holiday Inn, Gazebo Patio Aug-19 The Gary Kendall Band w/ Robin Banks 6-10pm

Hockley Valley Resort Aug-5 Trouble & Strife 7 PM

# Jazz By The Bay, Bayview Park

Aug-14 The Heart Attacks 7PM Jordan House

Aug-19 Andre & the J-Tones 9 p.m.

# Liquid Lounge

Aug-13 Dwayne LaForme Band Saturday Matinee 3 to 6pm Aug-27 Red LaForme and friends Saturday Matinee 3 to 6pm

# Mod Club

Aug-13 Urban Preacher CD Release

# Nathan Phillips Square, City Hall

Sep-1 Roxanne Potvin plus Brian Blain noon

Oakville Centre Aug-3 Johnny Winter

#### Oakville Jazz and Blues Festival

Aug-6 Susan Wylde 10:00 PM -11:30 PM FREE

Perth Garlic Festival Aug-13 Andre & the J-Tones 11 a.m. till 3 p.m.

# Peter's Players

Aug-4 Jimmie Vaughan Aug-5 Jimmie Vaughan Aug-6 John Mayall Aug-11 Willie "Big Eyes" Smith

Queen Elizabeth Theatre-CNE Sep-9 Gregg Allman plus Colin Linden 7pm

Quinte Ribfest Aug-14 Andre & the J-Tones 3:30 p.m. till 5 p.m.

# RBG Red Hot Jazz and Cool Blues Festival

Aug-10 Andre & the J-Tones 6 p.m. In the Rose Garden

Regent Theatre Aug-5 Johnny Winter 8:00pm/ Guest David Gogo

Rose Theatre Aug-12 Dr. John

Sharkeys Sep-10 Cross Eyed Cat 9:30-1:00

## Stonewalls Aug-6 Groove Corporation \$5 cover - 9pm start



Australia's finest Hammond Organ export Clayton Doley has arrived on the Toronto music scene. Invited to Canada by Harry Manx who he has been performing with throughout Australia, Europe and Canada, Clayton is an internationally known touring artist and session musician. Some of the many artists he has toured with include Steve Cropper, Donald Duck Dunn, David Garibaldi and Nigel Kennedy and some of the acts he has opened for include Buddy Guy, Albert King, Albert Collins, BB King, and James Brown. Clayton will be kicking the B3 at the Orbit Room on Tuesday August 30. He'll be backing **Brian Blain** at the **Delta Chelsea** on **Thursday, August 18** along with Brent Titcomb on percussion and The Blainette Horns (Carrie Chesnutt and Colleen Allen).

# The Beggar's Blues Banquet

Sep-8 Johnny Max. Chuck Jackson, Suzie Vinnick and many more 8pm tickets through the Southside Shuffle

The Burlington Rotary Ribfest Sep-4 The Johnny Max Bigger Band 5PM

The Dutch Mason Blues Festival

Aug-14 The Maple Blues Revue 6:30pm

# the Niagara

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# The Nightclub @ The Coulson Hotel

Aug-19 Jerome Godboo w/Tom Fyfe & Whiskey River Blues

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# The Old Winery

Aug-6 Niagara Rhythm Section with David Gogo Special Guest - David Gogo Aug-12 Root Magic 9:30:00 Aug-13 Johnny max guesting w The Niagara Rhythm Section 9PM

# The Slye Fox

Aug-12 Soulsetters Rockin Blues Band 9:30PM start time

The Waterfront Sep-9 Matt Andersen 9:00 PM

Thyme Restaurant Sep-9 Susan Wylde 6:00 PM -10:00 PM

#### Unionville Arms Aug-6 Soulsetters Rockin Blues Band 9:30PM start time Aug-27 Soulsetters Rockin Blues Band 9:30PM start time

West Coast Blues Festival Sep-3 The Johnny Max Bigger Band 6PM

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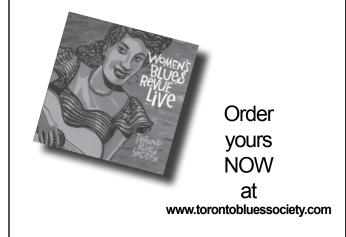
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