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8th Annual

Nebraska Blues Challenge

presented by the Blues Society of Omaha
All dates @ Chrome Lounge, 8552 Park Drive, Omaha.
Children are welcome. Food will be available for purchase.

Preliminary Round #1:

Sunday, October 7, 2018 - \$5 cover

1 PM – Steve Lovett (solo)

2 PM – Stan & The Chain Gang (band)

3 PM – Rich Patton (solo)

4 PM - Super Blues Party (solo, Jared Alberico)

5 PM – David Diaz Project (band)

6 PM – Blue Sunday-BluesEd (band)

Highest scoring band AND highest scoring solo/duo act will advance to final round on October 21.

Preliminary Round #2: Sunday, October 14, 2018 – \$5 cover

1 PM – Lou De Luca (solo)

2 PM - Hector Anchondo Band

3 PM - Luther James Band

4 PM - Matt Cox (solo)

5 PM - Church House Blues Band

6 PM - Dodge Street Band

7 PM – Tim Budig (solo)

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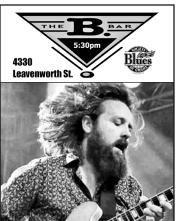
Final Round:

Sunday, October 21, 2018 - \$10 cover

2 PM – The two bands & two solo/duo acts advancing from the preliminary rounds will perform.

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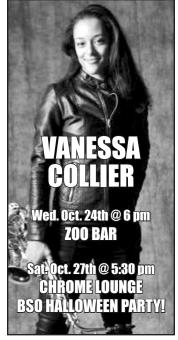
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 21ST @ 6 PM
THANKSGIVING EVE SHOW • STOCKS N BONDS, OMAHA



Friday, Oct. 12th @ 5:30

SKYLA BURREL BLUES BAND

Friday, Oct. 19th @ 5:30 pm



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The Blues Society of Omaha Presents Legendary Thursday Blues Matinees and more

All shows 6 pm unless noted otherwise

Thurs. Nov. 8th Michael Charles (\$10)

Why Join the Blues Society of Omaha with Your Membership Donation?

The Blues Society of Omaha, Inc. is a 501 (c)(3) non-profit organization formed in 1998. We are an all-volunteer organization with over 800 dues-paying members. BSO's mission is "Keepin' the Blues Alive". We are recognized as one of the top Blues Societies in the country. With the help of your tax-deductible donation we continue to promote blues music, blues musicians, and live music venues & events. Among our many projects and accomplishments are these:

- BSO promotes musicians and venues by maintaining a comprehensive live music calendar on our website, omahablues.com. BSO also
 distributes free monthly news flyers with calendars to numerous public gathering spots to inform the general community of live music
 shows in the area.
- BluesEd is a non-profit youth artist development program created and sponsored by Blues Society of Omaha. The BluesEd program
 began in 2001 to provide opportunities for young musicians to learn blues music in a series of workshops and to play with other
 students in a band format. Our BluesEd bands always are impressive and they have performed at some of the finest festivals & venues
 in and around Omaha.
- The Blues Society of Omaha has hosted an annual Nebraska Blues Challenge competition for local bands since 2011. All of the participating bands are showcased in judged public events as they compete for a package of prizes and the honor of representing BSO at the International Blues Challenge competition held in Memphis. All of the winning Nebraska bands have gone on to receive national attention and acclaim while making BSO proud!
- BSO produces and/or sponsors various music events throughout the year.
- BSO is a contributor to and supporter of Playing With Fire, a series of free outdoor concerts held each summer in Omaha since 2004.
- BSO provides support to The Zoo Bar, Lincoln's legendary and award-winning blues venue. BSO is a sponsor of the annual ZooFest music festival.
- In conjunction with Toy Drive for Pine Ridge, BSO hosts an annual toy drive and concert fundraiser for the children of Pine Ridge Reservation.
- · BSO regularly produces charitable events for musicians in need.

As a member and donor, you are entitled to great membership benefits:

- Free subscription to "Blues Notes", our monthly newsletter that will keep you abreast of blues events in the area, blues CD reviews, and
 other articles of interest to blues connoisseurs!
- · E-blasts with late-breaking blues news.
- Special pre-sale and discounted tickets to select events.
- · Discounts offered by generous local businesses.
- · Pride in belonging to a group dedicated to "Keepin' The Blues Alive"!

Please consider switching to the GREEN VERSION of Blues Notes. You will be saving the planet while saving BSO some expense. Contact Susan Keith at membership@omahablues.com to switch to e-mail delivery and get the scoop days before snail mail members!



BLUES ON THE RADIO:

Mondays Ipm-3pm on KIOS 91.5 "Blues in the Afternoon" with Mike Jacobs You can listen to the live stream at www.kios.org

Sundays 9am-Noon on KIWR 89.7 Rick Galusha's "PS Blues" Pacific Street Blues & Americana podcast: https://anchor.fm/pacific-street-blues-and-americana

Lincoln's KZUM Radio - Nebraska's only community radio, and you can listen to it on the web at KZUM.org.

Monday — 3:00-6:00pm "World Gone Wrong Blues"

Tuesday — 3:00-6:00pm "Group W Blues"

Wednesday – 3:00-6:00pm "Highway Blues" • 8:30-10:00pm "Radio Gumbo" Thursday – 3:00-5:00pm "Blue Water Mixtape"

Friday – 1:00-3:00pm "Women's Blues & Boogie" • 3:00-6:00pm "Hudson Blue" Saturday – 6:00-7:00am "Beale Street Caravan" • 7:00-8:00am "Juke in the Back" Sunday – 2:00-4:00pm "Back at the Chicken Shack"

BISCUIT MILLER AND THE MIX

Thursday, October 4th @ 6 pm (\$10 cover) • Chrome Lounge, Omaha

Born and raised on the south side of Chicago by his Grandmother; he was given his child-hood nickname, Biscuit, after always being in the kitchen and underfoot while she was trying to cook. Growing up at Grandma's house also gave Biscuit his love and appreciation for music, as gospel and soul were played in the home on a regular basis.

While visiting his friend Datrick's house one afternoon, Biscuit spotted a four string electric bass sitting in a corner collecting dust and decided to check it out. The bass be-

longed to Datrick's older brother, Darnell, who taught him a couple of songs. Biscuit took to it like a fish in water, "It was easy to play and I fell in love with it immediately". So at the tender age of eleven years old, Biscuit Miller was born into the "Blues". It didn't take long until he formed his first band, Clever, with Ivan Wallace, his childhood friend. They moved to Minneapolis in 1982 where Sonny Rogers taught him a lot about playing basic blues. During his time with Rogers, they recorded "They Call Me the Cat Daddy", which won Rogers a Handy Award for Best New Artist. Unfortunately, Sonny passed away before he was able to accept the award. Biscuit then went on to play with other respected blues artists such as, Mojo Buford (formerly with Muddy Waters) and Lady Blue (backup vocalist for Ike and Tina Turner).

One day, Biscuit received a phone call requesting him to come back home to sub for Chicago's own legendary Lonnie Brooks who needed a bass player for one night. That one night lasted for over ten years as Biscuit became



the permanent bass player for the Lonnie Brooks Band. "The years I spent with Lonnie were invaluable to me as a musician. I learned so much about the music business and being on the road – we played some incredible gigs such as President Clinton's inauguration and I met and performed with many of my own idols while traveling with Lonnie and the band. During the winter months, we didn't tour as much, so I spent time sitting in with various musicians and in 2000 I formed Biscuit and the Mix to fill up

some of the down-time". During this time, he recorded a CD "Come Together". One of the bands Biscuit frequently sat in with was the up and coming Anthony Gomes Band. During one of those sessions, he was asked to join the band full time and he decided to take Anthony up on his offer. During the five years with the Anthony Gomes Band, they released five CD's, Unity, Sweet Stringin' Soul, Long Way Home, Music is the Medicine, and the latest, Live at the Triple Door.

A touring schedule of over 250 gigs a year in the US and abroad have led to a dedicated fan base. In 2012 Biscuit's fun and funky style of bass playing earned him the Blues Music Award for Bassist of the Year. He also took 2nd place in the bassist category in the Blues Matters International Writers Poll. Biscuit Miller and The Mix are once again on the road with his latest CD "WISHBONE" and ready to bring a smorgasbord of fun to your party. What's better than a bowlful of Soulful, Funky Blues stew? A pipin' hot Biscuit, of course!

From www.bluespros.com

Check ouf B.J. Huchfemann's column Hoodoo Blues each week in the Omaha READER for info on upcoming shows and other news in the roofs-blues music scene.

Look for B.J.'s byline under the Music tab at thereader.com

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What's New with BluesEd?

— NEW DIRECTOR —

BluesEd is excited to announce our new Director, Tim Kaplan! Tim is uniquely qualified as he brings a combination of experience in music and business. We are so excited that he has agreed to take the helm and guide our program to new heights!

Tim Kaplan, New BluesEd Director



Tim Kaplan is the father of Tommy, who plays guitar for The Redwoods. After 27 years as a partner and business owner in the healthcare industry, Tim retired in 2014 after the business was successfully sold. Born and raised in Omaha, Tim attended St. Joan of Arc school, Creighton Prep, Tulane University and Creighton University where he was a founding father of

Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity. Tim played guitar and keys in the local band 'Finest Hour' for 10 years back in the 80's and 90's. Tim and his wife Tammy have been married for 26 years and are blessed with 5 children ages 13 to 25, and 1 grandson. They have been members of St Stephen the Martyr Parish/School since 1993 and have been active in many ministries. Since retiring, Tim enjoys spending his ample spare time washing the family's cars, doing yard work, learning welding and wood work, fishing, target shooting, jamming with his kids and spending lots of time with his family and dogs. Tim looks forward to working with the Blues Society! Join us in welcoming him at Blues Society and BluesEd events! The new Leadership Team will include returning members Susie Hemphill, Drew Johnson, and Ann Giebler. Past members (whose children have graduated from the program) Trudy Bredthauer, Chris Shouse, Sean Gillen and Laurie Neumayer will continue to serve as an advisory group.

International Blues Challenge Youth Showcase

A distinguished group of judges selected the Us and Them Blues Band, a BluesEd band, to be the Blues Society of Omaha's representative at the 2019 International Blues Challenge Youth Showcase in Memphis. The Youth Showcase competition was held on August 26th. Judges included Hector Anchondo, Dave Steen, Matt Wallace and Jackie Allen. BSO President, Mark Grubbs announced the winner. Band members are excited to show the world that the best Blues Education program in the world hails from Omaha, Nebraska! Us and Them will hold a Send-off Show to refine their IBC set. Please help encourage and

support them before they travel to Memphis. The date and time of the concert will be announced soon. Watch the BluesEd and BSO Facebook pages!

Auditions - February 2019

We need your help! Send those talented young musicians in your families, schools, and circle of friends our way! Details about registering for auditions will be on our website, www.bluesed.com!

Thank you for Keeping the Blues Alive! Trudy Bredthauer, BluesEd Leadership Team



ORPHAN JON AND THE ABANDONED

Wednesday, Oct.3rd @ 6 pm • Zoo Bar, Lincoln Thursday, Oct. 11th @ 6 pm (\$10 cover) • Chrome Lounge, Omaha



Orphan Jon and The Abandoned is an American Roots & Blues band from Southern California that is quickly becoming a go to band because of the high energy and passion they display while performing.

Roots and Blues is their life blood, and it shows in their ever popular originals; and the few selective covers, they bring to every show. It is the bands goal to captivate the audience from the first note struck until the last chord is played while entertaining them both musically and visually.

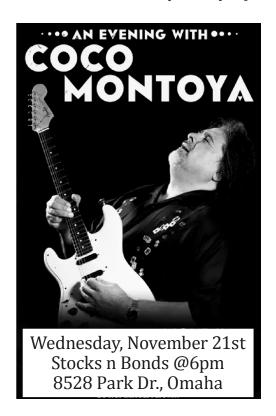
Orphan Jon and the Abandoned simply put, is a very unique band. Unique in that they express themselves in such a way that's so different, that many have said after seeing them perform live, they've never seen nor heard anyone like them before. And not only do they capture the traditional fans of the blues; which they so love and cherish, but also have been gaining more and more of a younger audience due to the Roots style of music they showcase everywhere they've been honored to play. When you see and hear them you will be taken on a journey through the ups and downs, the twists and turns, peaks and valleys of the vibrancy of love and everyday living through their music. They are a rare breed full of spirit and charisma, and they put on a show that is both energetic and captivating with a tight sound like no other.

Front man Jon English aka Orphan Jon, can be moving, emotional, heartfelt and intense at one point, and then soothing, soulful, lustful and desiring at another point in both his body language, lyrics and vocals.

Add to Orphan Jon's performance the journeymen experiences of Bruce Krupnik; with his flowing, rhythmic, harmonious blend of guitar string manipulations that invites your soul on a cosmic colorful expedition to places you might've never been before, the rhythm section of Tony Jack Grigsby; with his steady uplifting, driving, both subtle and powerful, bass playing that takes your heartbeat on a vast rousing journey, and Mike Malone; with his energetic, captivating, influential dynamics of the drums, and you have The Abandoned.

Orphan Jon and The Abandoned is a band that captures the essence of what the blues is all about; hard work, rough life, grinding days, moving souls, touching hearts and heartfelt love, day to day, and all the time.

From the Artist's Facebook page







Wednesday, October 3rd @ 6 pm Orphan Jon and the Abandoned

Friday, Oct. 5th @ 9 pm Josh Hoyer and Soul Colossal

Saturday, Oct. 6th @ 9 pm (2nd show)

Josh Hoyer and Soul Colossal

Tuesday, Oct. 9th @ 6 pm Eric Gales

Wednesday, Oct. 10th @ 6 pm 24th St. Wailers

Wednesday, Oct. 17th @ 6 pm Paul Nelson Band

Wednesday, Oct. 24th @ 6 pm Vanessa Collier

Friday, Oct. 27th @ 5 pm (FAC) Lil' Ed and the Blues Imperials

Saturday, Oct. 28th @ 6 pm Lil' Ed and the Blues Imperials

Wednesday, Oct. 31st @ 6 pm Nikki Hill with the Heather Newman Band

For a full schedule see www.zoobar.com



Thursday, Oct. 4th @ 7 pm

Open Jam with the Tim Budig Band

Saturday, October 6th @ 9 pm Clean n Easy Band

Sunday, Oct. 7th @ 5 pm Peach Truck

Thursday, Oct. 11th @ 6 pm
Taylor Scott Band

Sunday, Oct.14th @ 5 pm Blue House and the Rent To Own Horns

Tuesday, Oct. 16th @ 7 pm

Tony Holiday and the Velvetones

Friday, Oct.19th @ 8 pm Atomic Luau Playboys

Saturday, Oct. 20th @ 9 pm
Paul Nelson Band
(\$10 cover –
Adv. tix available at the bar)

Sunday, Oct. 21st @ 5 pm

Boyd Brothers

Friday, Oct. 26th @ 6 pm Murray Kinsley and Wicked Grin

Saturday, Oct. 27th @ 9 pm Landslide – Fleetwood Mac Tribute Band (\$10 Cover)

Sunday, Oct. 28th @ 5 pm The Mighty Shipwrecks

JIMMY CARPENTER BAND

Thursday, Oct. 18th @ 6 pm (\$10 cover) • Chrome Lounge, Omaha



Jimmy Carpenter is one of the hardest working sax men in the music business. He is a staple on the New Orleans music scene working for years with Blues Great Tinsley Ellis, as the Band Leader with New Orleans' famous Walter "Wo-flman" Washington, Road Manager and Sax man with the legendary Jimmy Thackery, and of late traveling the world with Mike Zito and the Wheel. Jimmy also has his solo career and his latest release "Plays the Blues" is critically acclaimed. Jimmy Carpenter's Sax bellows with rich Soul, jumps with thumping Funk and howls with a Muscle Shoals richness that is unmatched.

Keeping up a steady international touring schedule, he has appeared as Special Guest Artist on several major festivals including Paulie's New Orleans Jazz and Blues Festival in-Worcester, MA, Blues from The Top in Winter Park, CO, Blues to Bop in Lugano, Switzerland, and multiple appearance at The Blg Blues Bender in Las Vegas.

Carpenter is currently touring in support of his new CD "Jimmy Carpenter Plays The Blues" which he was encouraged to record by his friend Mike Zito.

During the long drives of my last tour with Mike Zito and The Wheel, a frequent topic was, "what should Jimmy do next?" "You need to make a straight-ahead Blues album! That's what your fans want to hear, and I want to produce it!" says Mike. A few months later, concept became reality, and Jimmy Plays the Blues was done. A collection of Blues classics and a couple of originals, this record is me doing what I have always done: play the Blues in a small band setting, no frills, no horn section, no background vocals...

just me, my horn, and my voice. With Special guests: Tinsley Ellis, Jon Del Toro Richardson, Tony Ditiedoro, Anders Osborne, Lewis Stephens and Dave Keyes.

From the Big Blues Bender website and the Artist's website



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Luther James Band 3 PM

4 PM Matt Cox (solo)

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Final Round:

Sunday, October 21, 2018 - \$10 cover

The two bands & two solo/duo acts

advancing from the preliminary rounds

will perform.

Highest scoring band AND highest scoring solo/duo act from the final round of the Nebraska Blues Challenge will be chosen to represent Blues Society of Omaha at the 35th International Blues Challenge on January 22-26, 2019 in Memphis, Tennessee.

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Open Mic Night at Therapy Bar (7:00 pm) (Therapy Bar & Grill) Mitch Towne Jazz Organ Trio & Guests at Jambo Cat (7:30 pm) (Jambo Cat)

Orphan Jon and the Abandoned @ Zoo Bar (6:00 pm) (Zoo Bar)

Groovin with Grover & Friends Jam At The Opollo (9:00 pm) (The Opollo)

Biscuit Miller @ Chrome Lounge (6:00 pm) (Chrome Lounge) Open Jam with the Tim Budig Band at Corner Bar (7:00 pm) (The Corner Bar) Juke Butter at Growler USA (8:00 pm) (Growler USA)

Luther James Band @ the B Bar (5:30 pm) (The B Bar)
Hullaboo cruise with Kris Lager @ River city Star (7:00 pm) (River City Star) Sebastian Lane's Barley Street Blues Jam (9:00 pm) (Barley Street Tavern) Big Daddy Caleb & The Chargers at Growler USA (9:00 pm) (Growler USA) Josh Hoyer and Soul Colossal @ Zoo Bar (9:00 pm) (Zoo Bar)

Sailing in Soup at Harney St. Tavern (9:00 pm) (Harney Street Tavern) Clean n Easy Band @ Corner Bar (9:00 pm) (The Corner Bar)

[Sun Oct 07]
Porchfest Omaha FREE Event throughout Gifford Park (33rd & California Area) (1:00 pm)

(Gifford Park Neighborhood)
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Lindsay Beaver @ Zoo Bar (6:00 pm) (Zoo Bar)

Acoustic Soup @ Tavern on Q (7:00 pm) (Tavern on Q)

Eric Gales & Sebastian Lane Band @ Waiting Room (8:00 pm) (The Waiting Room Lounge) Groovin with Grover & Friends Jam At The Opollo (9:00 pm) (The Opollo)

Orphan Jon @ Chrome Lounge (6:00 pm) (Chrome Lounge)
Taylor Scott Band @ The Corner Bar (6:00 pm) (The Corner Bar)

Lindsay Beaver @ Barley St. Tavern (9:00 pm) (Barley Street Tavern)

[Fri Oct 12]

Fleetwood Mac at Pinnacle Bank Arena (8:00 pm) ()
Daddy Mac & The Flak @ Growler USA (9:00 pm) ()
Taylor Scott Band w/ Five Minute Drive @ Barley St. (9:00 pm) (Barley Street Tavern)

[Sat Oct 13]

Sailing in Soup at Growler USA (9:00 pm) (Growler USA)

[Sun Oct 14]

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[Wed Oct 17]

Paul Nelson Band @ Zoo bar (6:00 pm) (Zoo Bar) Groovin with Grover & Friends Jam At The Opollo (9:00 pm) (The Opollo)

The Jimmy Carpenter Band @ Chrome Lounge (6:00 pm) (Chrome Lounge) Juke Butter at Growler USA (8:00 pm) (Growler USA)

Skyla Burrell Blues Band @ the B Bar (5:30 pm) (The B Bar) Atomic Luau Playboys @ The Corner Bar (8:00 pm) (The Corner Bar)

Paul Nelson Band at The Corner Bar (9:00 pm) (The Corner Bar)

[Sun Oct 21]

Nebraska Blues Challenge Finals @ Chrome Lounge (2:00 pm) (Chrome Lounge) Boyd Brothers at Corner Bar (5:00 pm) ()

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Wicked Grin at Chrome Lounge (6:00 pm) (Chrome Lounge)

[Fri Oct 26]

Bobby Rush, Kenny Neal, & Much more at Blues Masters at the Crossroads (2:00 am) (Blue

Heaven Studios

Gary and Fred @ the B Bar (5:30 pm) (The B Bar) Wicked Grin @ The Corner Bar (6:00 pm) (The Corner Bar)

BSO Halloween Costume Party w/ Vanessa Collier @ Chrome (5:30 pm) (Chrome Lounge)

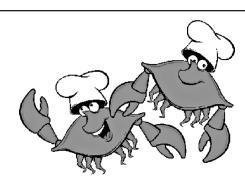
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Please send your schedules and gigs to calendar@omahablues.com to be listed in "Blues Notes" and on omahablues.com website



FIRST TUESDAY FUNDRAI

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Sebastian Lane's Barley Street Blues Jam (9:00 pm) (Barley Street Tavern)

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Gary Clark Jr. at Orpheum Theater (8:00 pm) (Orpheum Theater) Groovin with Grover & Friends Jam At The Opollo (9:00 pm) (The Opollo)

Michael Charles Band at Chrome Lounge (6:00 pm) (Chrome Lounge)

Two Blue @ Growler USA (5:00 pm) (GrowlerUSA) Bruce Katz @ Zoo Bar (5:00 pm) (Zoo Bar)

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Mitch Towne Jazz Organ Trio & Guests at Jambo Cat (7:30 pm) (Jambo Cat)

Coco Montoya @ Stocks n Bonds (6:00 pm) (Stocks n Bonds) Groovin with Grover & Friends Jam At The Ópollo (9:00 pm) (The Opollo)

Gooch & His Las Vegas Big Band at Ozone (6:30 pm) (Ozone) Zoo Bar House Band and Open Blues Jam - No Cover, Zoo Bar Lincoln, NE (7:00 pm) (Zoo

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Monday, October 1st @ 8:30 pm DOWN UNDER LOUNGE

3530 Leavenworth St. Omaha

Come dust your broom

& shake your moneymaker.

BRING YOUR GUITAR, BASS, KEYS or HORN & DANCING SHOES Jams Start at 8:30 pm

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First Friday of every month • 9 pm-1 am at Barley Street Tavern

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3rd Thursday of the month @ 8:30 pm

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Wednesday, Oct. 24th @ 6 pm • Zoo Bar, Lincoln

Saturday, October 27th @ 5:30 pm (\$10 cover) • BSO Halloween Party! Chrome Lounge, Omaha

"Vanessa Collier is a fresh face on the American blues scene, and in addition to her soulful vocals she brings a mighty sax to the table. I am not the only one that thinks so, as Vanessa was nominated for the best horn instrumentalist at the 2017 BMAs...Vanessa is an important part of the future of blues, and it would cool to support her journey."

-- Rex Bartholomew, Blues Blast Magazine



At 27 years of age, master musician and multi-talented blues performer Vanessa Collier has become an in-demand artist, bringing her charismatic charm, passionate and fiery performances, soulful voice, saxophone searing solos, and witty songwriting to the stage. Over the past year, Vanessa toured through 11 countries, alternating between tour legs in Europe as a featured artist with Ruf's Blues Caravan and back in the U.S. and Canada with her talented 5-piece band.

A graduate of the Berklee College of Music, Vanessa's alluring vocals and stinging saxophone work saw her light up stages as part of Joe Louis Walker's band (2012-2013), while her 2014 debut album Heart Soul & Saxophone was declared "magnificent" on Dan Aykroyd's blues radio show, winning her accolades as Best of 2014 Blues Breaker. In 2017, Vanessa continued her success with the release of her sophomore album Meeting My Shadow, earning many prestigious honors and awards:

> 2018 Blues Music Award Nominee -Contemporary Blues Female Artist of the Year

2018 Blues Music Award Nominee -Instrumental - Horn Player of the Year

2017 Blues Music Award Nominee -Instrumental – Horn Player of the Year

2017 Blues Blast Award Nominee -Sean Costello Rising Star Award

2017 Legendary Rhythm & Blues Cruise -Jammingest Pro Award

2017 USA International Songwriting Competition -First Place - Lyrics

2017 International Songwriting Competition -Finalist (Top 2%) - Performance

2017 - 27 weeks on the Roots Music Charts

Vanessa also works hard to share her love of music and the blues with the next generations. She maintains a private saxophone studio teaching around 30 students per week. Vanessa is active with Blues in the Schools programs; regularly volunteers her time in schools in Pennsylvania, Delaware, and Maryland; serves as an adjudicating judge at solo & ensemble festivals; and offers jazz, blues, and saxophone clinics throughout the United States.

From the Artist's website.









BLUES YOU CAN USE!

TH. 9/27 Zac Harmon at Chrome

Fri. 9/28 Rockin' Johnny Burgin at Zoo Bar

Sat. 9/29 Elektric Voodoo @ Zoo Bar

Sun. 9/30 7 Oaks Music Festival w/ Danielle Nicole, Electric Voodoo,

Alastair Greene, Sebastian Lane Band

Sun. 9/30 Webb Wilder at Zoo Bar

NE. Blues Challenge Oct. 7, 14 & 21 @ Chrome

TH. 10/4 Biscuit Miller at Chrome

Tue. 10/9 Eric Gales @ Zoo Bar

Wed. 10/10 Lindsay Beaver @ Zoo Bar

Wed. 10/10 Eric Gales w/ SLB @ Waiting Room

TH. 10/11 Orphan Jon @ Chrome

TH. 10/11 Taylor Scott Band @ Corner Bar

TH. 10/11 Lindsay Beaver @ Barley St.

F.A.C. 10/12 Jeff Jensen Band @ B Bar

Fri. 10/12 Taylor Scott Band @ Barley St.

Fri. 10/12 Fleetwood Mac at Pinewood Bowl

Wed. 10/17 Paul Nelson Band @ Zoo Bar

TH. 10/18 Jimmy Carpenter Band at Chrome

Fri. 10/19 Skyla Burrell Band @ B Bar

Sat 10/20 Paul Nelson Band @ Corner Bar

Wed. 10/24 Vanessa Collier @ Zoo Bar

TH. 10/25 Wicked Grin @ Chrome Lounge

Fri. 10/26 Wicked Grin @ Corner Bar

Oct. 26 & 27 Lil' Ed @ Zoo Bar

Wed. 10/31 Nikki Hill Band & Heather Newman Band @ Zoo Bar

TH. 11/1 Heather Newman @ Chrome

Wed. 11/7 Gary Clark Jr. @ Orpheum Theater

TH 11/8 Michael Charles @ Chrome

F.A.C. 11/9 Bruce Katz @ Zoo Bar

Sat. 11/10 Reverend Peyton's Big Damn Band @ Reverb

TH. 11/15 Bobby Messano @ Chrome

Nov. 17 & 18 Kris Lager Band @ Zoo Bar

Sat. 11/17 John Prine w/ Conor Oberst @ Orpheum

Wed. 11/21 Coco Montoya @ Stocks & Bonds

Tue. 11/27 Rev. Horton Heat @ Waiting Room

Wed. 11/28 Little Steven @ Holland Center

TH. 11/29 Jeremiah Johnson Band @ Chrome

TH 12/27 Josh Hoyer & Soul Colossal @ Chrome

TH. 1/10 Eddie Turner @ Chrome

TH 1/31 The Jimmys @ Chrome



The 2nd annual Porchfest OMA is Sunday, October 7, 2018 from 1pm to 6pm. The festival will take place on nine stages including the Farmer's Market stage, seven porches and an open mic porch in Omaha's Gifford Park Neighborhood located at 33rd & California Street.

There is no fee to attend.

Donations will be accepted at each stage.

Free parking available at the Duchesne Academy parking lot at 36th & California Street.

Food and drink for purchase from farmer's market vendors.

Festival merchandise and information booth

available at the market stage.

Gifford Park is a diverse community in Midtown Omaha; it has hosted a Friday night Farmer's Market since 2008, offers a community garden, and has sustained a neighborhood association committed to preserving and uplifting the community since 1988.

Our goal is to bring an exciting, unique, family-friendly, free event to the Omaha neighborhood and surrounding communities. Festivals around the country have attendance of 1,000+ after many years of growth; we are shooting for 500+ festival-goers this year!

Porchfest OMA is an E3 Music Management and Ben Baldwin production in conjunction with the Gifford Park Neighborhood Association and Neighborhood Market.



Heather Sewman Band

Wednesday, Oct. 31st @ 6 pm • Zoo Bar, Lincoln Thursday, Nov. 1st @ 6 pm (\$10 cover) • Chrome Lounge, Omaha BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION SHOWS!

TWO TIME 2018 BLUES BLAST MUSIC AWARD NOMINEE



"The Heather Newman Band is poised to follow Samantha Fish and Trampled Under Foot as the next blues-oriented Kansas City Act to achieve national prominence."

--Kansas City Star

The love of blues grew in Heather's heart from a young age where she was fortunate enough to participate in the BluesEd program based out of her hometown, Omaha, NE. Through the program she gained knowledge of the business from national and international blues musicians. All of whom challenged her to put her skills to the test and see how far hard work would take her.

Heather began to teach herself how to play guitar, eventually booking acoustic shows around Omaha. Her songwriting turned towards folk, but she couldn't seem to shake off her blues roots. After a few years of performing on her own she began to look for musicians with whom she could share her passion. The search brought her to Kansas City in 2015 where she wrote, toured, and recorded with another well known KC based band as the rhythm guitarist and vocalist. She spent two years traveling, gaining a swift cascade of fans across the nation and learning what all she could. Her dedication gained her momentum as a powerhouse vocalist and solid rhythm player before deciding it was time to step out into a spotlight of her own.

At the beginning of 2017, Heather made preparations to begin building an empire of her own, not only with a new instrument in tow, but a new band as well. After taking the time

to tighten the inner workings of her music, the Heather Newman Band had their debut at legendary Knucklehead's Saloon. The blues trio continued making strides as the year progressed, eventually adding a fourth member to bring a new level to the Heather Newman Band. Heather released her first studio album, "Burn Me Alive" through Vizztone Label Group at the beginning of December 2017. With the strong leading melodies of Keith Ladd on guitar and Ryan Matthew on Piano/Organ, Heather's steady grooving bass lines lock in Cole Dillingham's deep rooted beats, this group produces a one of a kind medley of various styles such as soul, funk, blues, and rock, with a killer original set. Heather's ever flowing, sultry, emotional vocals makes every show exciting and unique, keeping her loving fans coming back for more.

From the Artist's website.





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Murray Kinsley and Wicked Grin featuring Justin Shelton

Thursday, Oct. 25th @ 6 pm (\$10 cover) • Chrome Lounge, Omaha Friday, Oct. 26th @ 6 pm • Corner Bar, Fremont



GRITTY ROOTS ROCK!

Murray Kinsley and Wicked Grin have been rockin' festivals and clubs throughout Canada and the United States with their distinctive hard-driving, in-your-face performances and full-tilt blues with a groove that just won't quit.

The band won the 2014 Maple Blues Award for Best New Group and their two latest CDs — "Shame One Me" and "Stormy Water"—which were each named Blues Rock Disc of the Year by the Blues Underground Network. In 2015, bassist Leigh–Anne Stanton received the Maple Blues Award for Bassist of the Year.

"Murray Kinsley and his band Wicked Grin have been steadily building up a fan base worldwide with a brand of musicianship that stays clear of the hang-dog clichés that often take blues music and its noble power and renders it toothless" — Rod Nicholson, Scene Magazine

"Dark, bluesy ruminations on love and loss featuring the weathered vocals and nasty guitar of Kinsley, who must have sold his soul to achieve such depths of sonic wickedness."

- Lynn Saxberg, Ottawa Citizen

Wicked Grin has just returned from a successful swing through England and Germany and will be touring the United States in September and October.

The New Year will find them in Memphis in January, Florida in February, Southern and Central United States in March, Western Canada in May/June, major festivals in July/August and a return to Florida and Central United States in October/November.

2014 Maple Blues Award - Best New Group

2015 Maple Blues Award – Bassist of The Year (Leigh-Anne Stanton)

2015 Blues Rock Album of the Year (Stormy Water) – The Blues Underground NetworkTop 20

2015 Canadian Blues Albums – Brent Morrison – Rockin' Blues Show

2014 Runner-up – Toronto Blues Society New Talent Search

2014 Blues Rock Album of the Year (Shame On Me) – The Blues Underground Network

2014 Winner Ottawa Blues Society's Road to Memphis Challenge

From the Artist's website

Wayne Baker Brooks Changeling

BLUES ISLAND RECORDINGS



I recently caught Brooks at a show at the Chrome. I would highly recommend seeing this act if you ever get a chance. It was an outstanding performance.

Brooks played many songs from this cd that night. This cd is a compilation from the EP "Tricks Up My Sleeve" and the CD

"Mystery", so you get a generous seventeen songs.

The first cut entitled "Changeling" is a dramatic song that makes for a fine opening to the CD. It really catches your interest. Another number I really enjoy is "I Can Read Your Mind". It has some exceptional harp work by the great Sugar Blue. The songs on this CD have a modern Chicago blues sound with a bit of rock feel. There is even a little rap thrown in at times.

This is a very good CD that should appeal to a wide range of people's tastes. There is the energy you get at a Brooks show, the energy that is missing from many studio recordings. Brooks is an artist I think deserves much more recognition.



LINDSAY BEAVER W/ CATBERET THURSDAY, OCTOBER 11 AT 9 PM

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By A.J. Foyt

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