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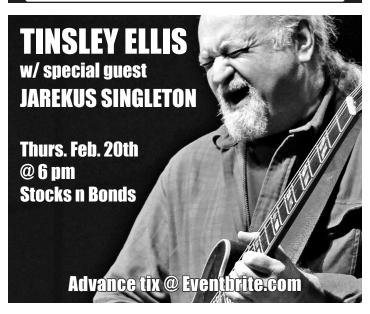
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PAUL NELSON BAND - 3 AREA SHOWS!

Wed.Feb 5th @ 6 pm • Zoo Bar Thurs.Feb. 6th @ 6 pm • Stocks n Bonds Fri.Feb. 7th @ 8 pm (Free!) • Corner Bar, Fremont



Thursday February 13th @ 6 pm Stocks n Bonds Omaha



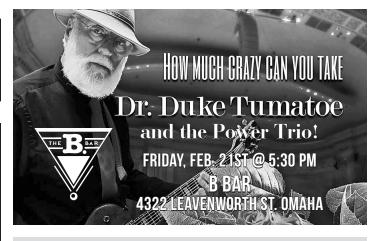


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Feb. 8th (Sat. @ 6 pm - show at The Jewell) The Bel Airs (\$15)	
Feb. 13th Tennessee Redemption (\$15)	
Feb. 20th Tinsley Ellis CD Release w/ Special Guest	
Jarekus Singleton (\$15, adv. tix at Eventbrite.com)	
Feb. 21st (Fri. @ 5:30 pm – show at the B Bar)	
Duke Tumatoe Band (\$10)	
Feb. 27thJohn Primer (\$15)	
Mar. 5th (6 pm @ The Jewell)Brian England	
Groove Prescription (\$10)	
Mar. 12thDave Weld and the Imperial Flames (\$10)	
Mar. 14 (Sat. @ 7 pm - show at the Jewell) Bruce Katz (\$10)	
March 18th (Wed. show @ 6 pm)Albert Cummings w/	
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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.

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- Free subscription to "Blues Notes", our monthly newsletter that will keep you abreast of blues events in the area, blues CD reviews, and
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Tuesday — 3:00-6:00pm "Group W Blues"

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PAUL NELSON BAND

Wednesday, Feb 5th @ 6 pm (\$10) • Zoo Bar, Lincoln Thursday, Feb. 6th @ 6 pm (\$10) • Stocks n Bonds, Omaha Friday, Feb. 7th @ 8 pm (Free!) • Corner Bar, Fremont



"He's a soulful player who has chops to burn. The word 'ferocious' comes to mind, or 'take no prisoners'"

- Vintage Guitar Magazine

"An A-List guitar player...one of the most technically dazzling players around today."

- Guitar Magazine

Whether it's headlining international festivals, performing to sold out shows at many of music's most prestigious stages or iconic clubs such as New York's Iridum, Blue Note, 55 bar and BB Kings to London's Astoria and Buddy Guy's Legend's in Chicago, Nelson's guitar mastery and band in a live setting are the most exciting and unforgettable for all who attend.

Being blues/rock icon Johnny Winter's hand-picked touring and recording guitarist joining in 2010 is just one of the accolades held by Grammy-winning guitarist Paul Nelson who has also shared the world's stages and/or recorded alongside Eric Clapton, Buddy Guy, Billy Gibbons, Slash, Warren Haynes, Derek Trucks, Vince Gill, Sonny

Landreth, Ben Harper, Joe Bonamassa and the list goes on.

With appearances on late night with David Letterman and Jimmy Kimmel, Nelson a blues hall of fame artist is known for his amazing tone and playing style by an ever growing legion of fans establishing him as one of today's leading modern blues guitar trendsetters.

Nelson received a Grammy award for his work performing on and producing Winter's "Step Back" release on Megaforce/Sony winning "Best Blues Album of the Year" highlighting his already long list of Grammy Nominations. As well as the BMA "Blues Music Award" for "Best Blues/Rock Album" reaching #16 on the Billboard Top 200 and staying at #1 on the Billboard Blues Charts for weeks. He is also a recipient of the Blues Foundation's KBA "Keeping The Blues Alive Award".

He also appears in the award winning documentaries: "Down and Dirty" The Johnny Winter Story and "Sideman: Long Road to Glory" (feat: Bonnie Rait, Gregg Allman, Hubert Sumlin),

Staying at #1 on the "Hot New Releases" charts for months. Nelson's latest project "Badass Generation" on Sony Records still maintains his unmistakable connection to the Blues, but it also finds Nelson showing his many other musical dimensions that his ever growing fan base has come to expect and who consider him to be one of music's most respected and influential contemporary guitarists.

Grammy Award Winning Guitarist/Producer
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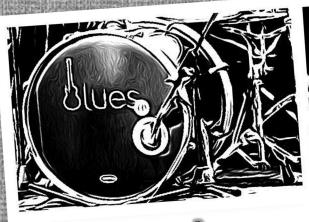
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THE BELAIRS

Friday, Feb. 7th @ 5 pm (\$10) • Zoo Bar, Lincoln

Saturday, Feb. 8th @ 6 pm (\$15 adv. tix @ jewellomaha.com) • The Jewell • 1030 Capitol Ave., Omaha



"A knockout blend of excellent musicianship, solid vocals and pure showmanship whenever the Bel Airs take the stage."

- Kansas City Times

"The blues at its best: blues drenched guitar riffs ride on a rhythm that is tight and

soulful."

- Spotlight Magazine

Fronted by Brothers Dick and Dave Pruitt on bass and electric guitars, with Michael Cherry on drums, the Bel Airs play a danceable mix with an authentic but eclectic bluesy-country-soul-and-rock-n-roll sound influenced by the likes of Wilson Picket, Slim Harpo, Howlin' Wolf and Johnny Cash.

Living on the road and playing clubs from "Austin to Boston", the Bel Airs are carrying on the tradition of American Rhythm and Blues. Growing up on country soul and rock-n-roll, the Pruitt brothers have developed a harmony vocal style all their own. They have been performing together for more than 30 years, wowing audiences nightly with their unique brand of music-leading one reviewer to refer to them as the "Everly Brothers of Blues."

With four acclaimed albums and performances at festivals and night clubs across the USA as well as England, France, Belgium and Spain, the band continues to

travel extensively. The Bel Airs' musical approach and superbly crafted showmanship make for a more than memorable concert whenever they appear.

From the Artist's website.

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Wednesday, Jan. 29th @ 6 pm

Dustin Arbuckle and
the Damnations

Thursday, Jan. 30th @ 6pm The Mezcal Brothers

Wednesday, Feb. 5th @ 6 pm Paul Nelson Band

Friday, Feb. 7th @ 5 pm
The Bel Airs

Tuesday, Feb. 11th @ 6 pm Mike Zito's Big Band

Wed. Feb 12th through Sat. Feb. 15th **Lincoln Exposed**

Thursday, Feb. 20th @ 6 pm Lil' Ed and the Blues Imperials

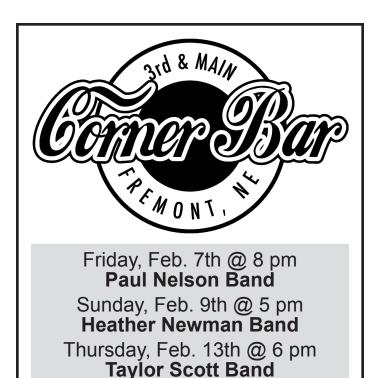
Friday, Feb. 21st @ 5 pm – Second Show!

Lil' Ed and the Blues Imperials

Wednesday, Feb. 26th @ 6 pm **John Primer**

Friday, Feb. 29th @ 5 pm Big Daddy Caleb and the Chargers

For a full schedule see www.zoobar.com



Sunday, Feb. 16th @ 5 pm

Lindsay Beaver





Gennessee Redemption

Thursday, Feb. 13th @ 6 pm (\$15) • Stocks n Bonds, Omaha



Brandon Santini and Jeff Jensen musically grew up on Beale Street in Memphis, TN. Clocking a combined total of almost 1,000 concerts on Beale, just about 400 of them together at such famous clubs as Rum Boogie Cafe, Mr. Handy's Blues Hall, Wet Willie's, B.B. King's Blues Club and more. Brandon and Jeff also toured around the USA and Canada together from 2011-2013 under the name Brandon Santini & His Band (BSB).

In the summer of 2013 Santini and Jensen split up to explore solo careers in which both blues men have enjoyed ample success on an international level.

In 2017, Brandon and Jeff decided to accept a handful of exclusive festival offers for them to perform together. With David Green on drums, Bill Ruffino on bass, Timo Arthur on guitar, the group was billed as The Santini-Jensen Project (SJP). This launched the inspiration to take it to the next level. But that would have to wait as Jeff Jensen would be touring in support of his 2018 lyrically significant "Wisdom & Decay" and Brandon Santini prepared to release his most successful album to date: "The Longshot" (2019) which debuted on the Billboard Blues Charts at #7. That album continues to receive rave reviews globally.

The friendship and respect for one another continued to grow during their years apart and the 2017 SPJ concerts truly launched the need to write and perform together on a more serious basis. So after years of talking about it Brandon, Jeff, Timo, Bill and Dave formally established Tennessee Redemption in 2019. A name that means a lot to them since most of the band members found some sort of personal redemption while living in Memphis, TN.

Tennessee Redemption's debut album, which is simply self-titled, features 8 original songs as well as interpretations of Tom Waits' "Come On Up To The House," and Little Walter's "Watch Yourself," totally reimagined. The diverse yet focused album introduces a solid collaborative collection of songs between Santini and Jensen.

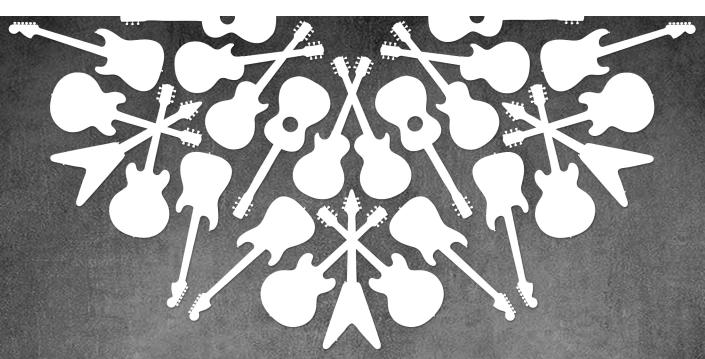
Tennessee Redemption is a band that is committed to creating and performing real American roots music without boundaries or boxes. Prolific harmonica from Santini, both clean and melodic or big and driven to wild blues based almost jazz-rock guitar antics of Jeff Jensen all on top of the very creative rhythm section of melodic bassist Bill Ruffino, powerhouse David Green on drums and the creatively diverse Timo Arthur on guitar, this band just wants to write and play music that connects with people; something both Brandon and Jeff are very proud of.

From the Artist's Facebook page.





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Blues in February & March

[Sat Feb 01]

Ed Archibald, Soulful R&B Jazz Saxophonist at The Jewell (6:30 pm) (The Jewell) Big Daddy Caleb & The Chargers @ Crescent Moon (8:00 pm) (Crescent Moon) Sailing in Soup @ Harney Street Tavern (9:00 pm) (Harney Street Tavern)

[Mon Feb 03]

Zoo Bar House Band & Open Jam @ Zoo Bar (7:00 pm) (Zoo Bar) Ozone Big Band (7:00 pm) (Ozone)

1st Monday Blues Jam @ Down Under (9:00 pm) (Down Under Lounge)

[Tue Feb 04]

Crabby Blues Band at Shuck's (119th & Pacific St.) (6:00 pm) (Shucks) All-Genre Jam @ Barley St. Tavern (8:00 pm) (Barley Street Tavern)

[Wed Feb 05]

Paul Nelson Band @ The Zoo Bar (6:00 pm) (The Zoo Bar)

[Thu Feb 06]

Paul Nelson @ Stocks & Bonds (6:00 pm) (Stocks n Bonds) The Jewell's First Anniversary Show (6:30 pm) (The Jewell)

[Fri Feb 07]

The Bel Airs – @ The Zoo Bar (5:00 pm) (The Zoo Bar)
BSO Presents Mezcal Brothers @ B Bar (5:30 pm) (The B Bar)
The Matt Vilinger Trio at The Jewell (6:30 pm) (The Jewell)
Paul Nelson Band – The Corner Bar – Fremont, NE (8:00 pm) (The Corner Bar)
Big Daddy Caleb & The Chargers @ Mars Bar & Grill (8:00 pm) (Mars Bar & Grill)
Blue House & The Rent to Own Horns 30th Anniv Show @ Horseshoe Casino (9:00 pm) (Horseshoe Casino)

[Sat Feb 08]

The Bel Airs at The Jewell (6:00 pm) (The Jewell) BOB MARLEY BIRTHDAY BASH at The Slowdown (9:00 pm) (The Slowdown)

[Sun Feb 09]

Heather Newman – The Corner Bar, Fremont, NE (5:00 pm) (The Corner Bar) Jus. B, Soul R&B Vocalist at The Jewell (6:30 pm) (The Jewell)

[Mon Feb 10]

Zoo Bar House Band & Open Jam @ Zoo Bar (7:00 pm) (Zoo Bar) Ozone Big Band (7:00 pm) (Ozone)

[Tue Feb 11]

Mike Zito's Big Band @ The Zoo Bar (6:00 pm) (The Zoo Bar) All-Genre Jam @ Barley St. Tavern (8:00 pm) (Barley Street Tavern)

Wed Feb 12

Lincoln Exposed @ The Zoo Bar (5:00 pm) (The Zoo Bar) Acoustic Soup @ Tavern on Q (7:00 pm) (Tavern on Q)

[Thu Feb 13]

Lincoln Exposed @ The Zoo Bar (5:00 pm) (The Zoo Bar)
Taylor Scott Band – The Corner Bar, Fremont, NE (6:00 pm) (The Corner Bar)
Tennessee Redemption @ Stocks n Bonds (6:00 pm) (Stocks n Bonds)
A Blue Valentine Tribute to Tom Waits at The Jewell (6:30 pm) (The Jewell)

[Fri Feb 14

Lincoln Exposed @ The Zoo Bar (5:00 pm) (The Zoo Bar)
Two Blue @ Mars Bar and Grill (5:00 pm) (Mars Bar & Grill)
CIBS Winter Blues Festival (5:00 pm) (Des Moines Downtown Marriott)
Scott Moyer Band at The B Bar (5:30 pm) (The B Bar)
Jazz Vocalist Jackie Allen at The Jewell (6:00 pm) (The Jewell)

[Sat Feb 15]

CIBS Winter Blues Festival (4:00 pm) (Des Moines Downtown Marriott) Lincoln Exposed @ The Zoo Bar (5:00 pm) (The Zoo Bar) Elaine Stoner at The Jewell (7:00 pm) (The Jewell)

BANDS AND BARS

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

[Sun Feb 16]

Lindsay Beaver – The Corner Bar (5:00 pm) (The Corner Bar)

[Mon Feb 17]

Zoo Bar House Band & Open Jam @ Zoo Bar (7:00 pm) (Zoo Bar) Ozone Big Band (7:00 pm) (Ozone)

[Tue Feb 18]

All-Genre Jam @ Barley St. Tavern (8:00 pm) (Barley Street Tavern)

Wed Feb 191

Big Head Todd & The Monsters w Los Colognes @ Slowdown (7:30 pm) (Slowdown)

[Thu Feb 20]

Lil' Ed and The Blues Imperials @ The Zoo Bar (6:00 pm) (The Zoo Bar)
Tinsley Ellis CD Release w/ opening act Jarekus Singleton @ Stocks n Bonds (6:00 pm) (Stocks n Bonds)

Eclipse Trio, Contemporary Jazz, R&B & Soul at The Jewell (6:30 pm) (The Jewell) Swampboy Blues Jam at The B Bar (8:30 pm) (The B Bar)

[Fri Feb 21]

Stan & The Chain Gang at The Jewell (6:00 am) (The Jewell)
Lil' Ed and The Blues Imperials @ The Zoo Bar (5:00 pm) (The Zoo Bar)
Duke Tumatoe Band @ The B Bar (5:30 pm) (The B Bar)
Acoustic Groove at Mars Bar & Grill (8:00 pm) (Mars Bar & Grill)

[Sat Feb 22

Big Wade & The Black Swan Theory at The Jewell (7:00 pm) (The Jewell) Andrew Baille at Mars Bar & Grill (8:00 pm) (Mars Bar & Grill)

[Mon Feb 24]

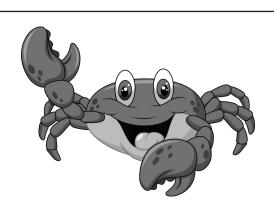
Zoo Bar House Band & Open Jam @ Zoo Bar (7:00 pm) (Zoo Bar) Ozone Big Band (7:00 pm) (Ozone)

[Tue Feb 25]

All-Genre Jam @ Barley St. Tavern (8:00 pm) (Barley Street Tavern)

[Wed Feb 26]

John Primer @ The Zoo Bar (6:00 pm) (The Zoo Bar) Acoustic Soup @ Tavern on Q (7:00 pm) (Tavern on Q)



FIRST TUESDAY FUNDRAISER

with the Crabby Blues Band featuring Bucky McCann Tuesday, February 4th from 6 to 9 pm Shucks, 119th and Pacific, Omaha

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Blues in February & March

[Thu Feb 27]

John Primer @ Stocks n Bonds (6:00 pm) (Stocks n Bonds)

[Fri Feb 28]

Heather Newman at The B Bar (5:30 pm) (The B Bar)
Trumpeter Etienne Charles at The Jewell (6:00 pm) (The Jewell)

[Sat Feb 29]

Big Daddy Caleb & The Chargers @ Zoo Bar (6:00 pm) ()

Andy William & The Nebraska All-Stars - Latin Music Series at The Jewell (7:00 pm) (The Jewell)

[Mon Mar 02]

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Ozone Big Band (7:00 pm) (Ozone)

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[Thu Mar 05]

Brian England Groove Prescription @ The Jewell (6:00 pm) (The Jewell)

[Sat Mar 07]

Troy Roberts Trio with Mitch Towne & Marty Morrison at The Jewell (6:00 pm) (The

Big Daddy Caleb & The Chargers @ Mars Bar & Grill (8:00 pm) (Mars Bar & Grill) Sailing in Soup @ Harney Street Tavern (9:00 pm) (Harney Street Tavern)

[Mon Mar 09]

Zoo Bar House Band & Open Jam @ Zoo Bar (7:00 pm) (Zoo Bar) Ozone Big Band (7:00 pm) (Ozone)

[Tue Mar 10]

All-Genre Jam @ Barley St. Tavern (8:00 pm) (Barley Street Tavern)

Reverend Peyton's Big Damn Band at the Waiting Room (8:00 pm) (The Waiting Room Lounge)

[Wed Mar 11]

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

[Thu Mar 12]

Dave Weld and the Imperial Flames @ Stocks n Bonds (6:00 pm) (Stocks n Bonds)

[Sat Mar 14

Bruce Katz Band at The Jewell (7:00 pm) (The Jewell)

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Thursday, February 20th @ 8:30 pm

[Mon Mar 16]

Zoo Bar House Band & Open Jam @ Zoo Bar (7:00 pm) (Zoo Bar) Ozone Big Band (7:00 pm) (Ozone)

Tue Mar 171

Ällen Stone w/ Samm Henshaw @ Slowdown (8:00 pm) (Slowdown) All-Genre Jam @ Barley St. Tavern (8:00 pm) (Barley Street Tavern)

[Wed Mar 18]

Albert Cumings and Hector Anchondo Band @ Stocks n Bonds (6:00 pm) (Stocks n Bonds)

[Sat Mar 21]

Big Daddy Caleb & The Chargers @ Crescent Moon (8:00 pm) (Crescent Moon)

[Mon Mar 23]

Zoo Bar House Band & Open Jam @ Zoo Bar (7:00 pm) (Zoo Bar) Ozone Big Band (7:00 pm) (Ozone)

[Tue Mar 24]

All-Genre Jam @ Barley St. Tavern (8:00 pm) (Barley Street Tavern)

[Wed Mar 25]

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

[Thu Mar 26]

Bernard Allison @ Stocks n Bonds (6:00 pm) (Stocks n Bonds)

[Mon Mar 30]

Zoo Bar House Band & Open Jam @ Zoo Bar (7:00 pm) (Zoo Bar) Ozone Big Band (7:00 pm) (Ozone)

[Tue Mar 31]

All-Genre Jam @ Barley St. Tavern (8:00 pm) (Barley Street Tavern)

Reverend Peyton's Big Damn Band Tuesday, March 10th @ 8 pm Waiting Room, Omaha



JOIN THE TEAM

YOU can be part of the planning committee for the 2020 "In The Market For Blues" festival.

This is an exciting opportunity to work with a fun team in meetings to organize all the logistics before and during the festival.

Sub-committees will need help with the tasks of financial management, sponsorships & partnerships, marketing/PR/communications, ticketing, talent/venues/production, merchandise, and day-of-show volunteers.

If you are interested, please talk to Steve or Lisa Krueger, BSO Volunteer Coordinators, when you see them in person or send an email to volunteers@omahablues.com.

TINSLEY ELLIS

w/ Special Guest Jarekus Singleton!

CD RELEASE PARTY!

Thursday, Feb. 20th @ 6 pm (\$15) • Advance tix @ Eventbrite.com • Stocks n Bonds, Omaha

"Incendiary...Scalding guitar and banshee solos. Ellis mixes soul and fire."

-Premier Guitar

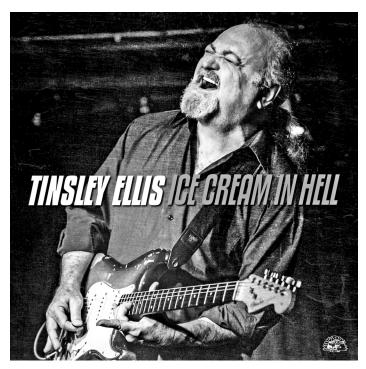
"Rugged, burning and riveting...Tinsley Ellis is a powerful and commanding presence, both on guitar and as a gruff, full-throated vocalist. He's the hardest-working

—Blues Music Magazine

Ever since he first hit the road 40 years ago, blues-rock guitar virtuoso, soulful vocalist and prolific songwriter Tinsley Ellis has grown his worldwide audience one scorching performance at a time. Armed with blazing, every-note-matters guitar skills and scores of instantly memorable original songs, Ellis has traveled enough miles, he says, "to get to the moon and back six times." He's released 17 previous solo albums, and has earned his place at the top of the blues-rock world. When asked if he'd consider himself a "blue-collar" bluesman, Ellis, in his trademark wit, quips, "No. I'm part of the no-collar crowd." His imaginative songs tell stories of common, shared experiences in uncommon ways, all fueled by his high-octane, infectious, hard-rocking guitar playing. Live, Ellis has captivated and amazed fans in all 50 United States, as well as in Canada, all across Europe, Australia and South America. Vintage Guitar says, "He delivers blistering blues-rock, soul romps, minor-key blues, and shuffles-and it all sounds great." The Chicago Sun-Times says, "It's hard to overstate the raw power of his music."

Ellis considers his new album, *Ice Cream In Hell*, the most raw-sounding, guitar-drenched album of his career. Recorded in Nashville and produced by Ellis and his long-time co-producer Kevin McKendree (John Hiatt, Delbert McClinton), Ice Cream In Hell is a cathartic blast of bluesrock power. Though inspired by all three Kings (B.B., Albert and Freddie), as well by Carlos Santana, Hound Dog Taylor and others, Ice Cream In Hell is pure, unadulterated Tinsley Ellis. The 11 Ellis originals range from the nod to Stax-era Albert King, *Last One To Know*, to the Peter Green-flavored *Everything And Everyone* to the Hound Dog Taylor-esqe romp *Sit Tight Mama* before ending with the hair-raising, slow-burning ballad, *Your Love's Like Heroin*. Throughout the album, Ellis' deeply emotional, lyrical guitar solos perfectly match his fervent vocals.

In addition to his legions of fans, Ellis is also revered by his fellow guitarists, with famous friends including Derek Trucks, Warren Haynes, Oliver Wood, Jonny Lang, Buddy



Guy, the Tedeschi Trucks Band, Gov't Mule, and members of Widespread Panic calling on him to sit in and jam. He's recently toured with Alligator label mates Tommy Castro and Coco Montoya. Additionally, Ellis shared stages with late blues legends including Stevie Ray Vaughan, Otis Rush, Willie Dixon, Leon Russell, Son Seals, Koko Taylor, Albert Collins and many others. But no matter where or with whom he performs, Ellis always plays with grit, soul and unbridled passion.

Tinsley's new CD *Ice Cream In Hell* is being released Jan. 31st 2020!

From the Alligator Records website.

SLOWDOWN

BOB MARLEY BIRTHDAY BASH

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JOHN PRIMER

Wednesday, Feb. 26th @ 6 pm (\$12 adv. / \$15 dos) • Zoo Bar, Lincoln Thursday, Feb. 27th @ 6 pm (\$15) • Stocks n Bonds, Omaha



Two-time Grammy nominated artist and American blues legend John Primer was the bandleader and guitarist for Muddy Waters, Willie Dixon and Magic Slim & The Teardrops. Having played or recorded with a who's who of blues greats including Junior Wells, Gary Clark Jr., Derek Trucks, Johnny Winter, The Rolling Stones and Buddy Guy to name a few, John Primer's personal accolades, including a Lifetime Achievement Award, reflect his countless contributions to the history of Chicago blues. There are very few fans, critics or musicians who will deny the fact that John Primer is the real deal.

In 1995, John ventured out on his own as a veteran Bluesman and released his solo major label debut, The Real Deal. Since that time he's released or been recorded on over a dozen albums and toured extensively all over the world. A master storyteller and songwriter, his catalog of songs is endless. Some of the awards attached to him include: 2 Grammy nominations and 2 Living Legend honors as well as a Blues Music Award for Best Traditional Blues Artist from the National Blues Foundation and many more.

Over his amazing career, John has recorded with, opened for or played with a who's who of other great bands and artists including: The Rolling Stones, Eddie Vedder and Pearl Jam, Derek Trucks, Gary Clark Jr., Koko Taylor, Chuck Berry, John Lee Hooker, Ray Charles, James Brown and B.B. King.

The depth of history and tradition that runs in John's blood from decades of master blues classes he took from all the Blues Godfathers builds his music catalog and unique style. John Primer is still at the top of his game. With his strong traditionalist blues phrasing, seasoned rhythm and blues vocals and lightning-fast slide guitar techniques, few artists can match him and none have his vast, real deal, blues history.

Primer is nominated for a Blues Music Award for Traditional Blues Artist of the Year in 2020.

From the Artist's website.

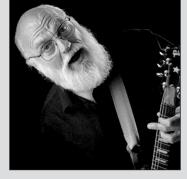
DUKE TUMATOE AND THE POWER TRIO

Friday, Feb. 21st @ 5:30 pm (\$10) • B Bar, 4322 Leavenworth St. Omaha

Chicago-born Duke Tumatoe is a musician and showman who has retained a firm career by fusing gritty R&B, rock, blues, and funk injected with equal parts humor and gut-level sincerity. Tumatoe was a founding member of what would become REO Speedwagon. His tenure with that band was short-lived, leaving in 1969 and forming Duke Tumatoe & the All-Star Frogs.

For the next 13 years, they toured relentlessly playing throughout the Midwest on

countless college campuses and bars. Because of this grueling tour schedule, the band managed to release two albums, Red Pepper Hot! (1976) and Back to Chicago (1982). In 1983, Tumatoe decided to slow down the pace



and break up the Frogs. He immediately rebounded with the creation of the Power Trio, who recorded *Duke's Up* for Blind Pig Records.

He has gigged with Muddy Waters, Bo Diddley, B.B. King, Willie Dixon, Buddy Guy, John Fogerty and George Thorogood and typically plays more than 200 dates a year.

He has released fifteen albums as the bandleader of Duke Tumatoe & The All-

Star Frogs and Duke Tumatoe & The Power Trio. His 1988 live album I Like My Job was produced by John Fogerty.

From allmusic.com and Wikipedia

BLUES YOU CAN USE!

Sat. 2/1 Big Daddy Caleb & Chargers at Crescent Moon, Lincoln

Sat. 2/1 Sailing in Soup at Harney Street Tavern

Tue. 2/4 Crabby Blues Band at Schucks, 119th & Pacific

Wed. 2/5 Paul Nelson Band at Zoo Bar

Thur. 2/6 Paul Nelson Band @ Stocks & Bonds

Fri. 2/7 Paul Nelson Band at Corner Bar

Fri. 2/7 Bel Airs at Zoo Bar

Fri. 2/7 Blue House 30th Anniversary Party at Whiskey Roadhouse

Fri. 2/7 Mezcal Brothers at B Bar

Sat. 2/7 Big Daddy Caleb & Chargers at Mars Bar & Grill

Sat. 2/8 Bel Airs @ The Jewell

Sun. 2/9 Heather Newman Band @ Corner Bar

Tues. 2/11 Mike Zito's Big Band at The Zoo Bar

Thur. 2/13 Tennessee Redemption @ Stocks & Bonds

Thur. 2/13 Taylor Scott Band @ Corner Bar

Fri. 2/14 Two Blue @ Mars Bar & Grill

Fri. 2/14 CIBS Winter Bluesfest

Sat. 2/15 CIBS Winter Bluesfest

Sun. 2/16 Lindsay Beaver @ Corner Bar

Wed 2/19 @ Big Head Todd & The Monsters @ Slowdown

Thur. 2/20 Tinsley Ellis CD Release Show w/ Jarekus Singleton @ Stocks & Bonds

Thur. 2/20 Lil Ed and The Blues Imperials at Zoo Bar

Fri. 2/21 Lil Ed and The Blues Imperials at Zoo Bar

Fri. 2/21 Duke Tumato Band @ B Bar

Wed 2/19 Big Head Todd & The Monsters w Los Colognes @ Slowdown

Wed. 2/26 John Primer at Zoo Bar

Thur. 2/27 John Primer @ Stocks & Bonds

Sat. 2/29 Big Daddy Caleb & The Chargers at The Zoo Bar

Thur. 3/5 Brian England Groove Prescription @ Jewell

Mon 3/9 ZZ Ward @ Waiting Room

Tue. 3/10 Rev Peyton's Big Damn Band @ Waiting Room

Thur. 3/12 Dave Weld & The Imperial Flames @ Stocks & Bonds

Tue 3/17 Allen Stone @ Slowdown

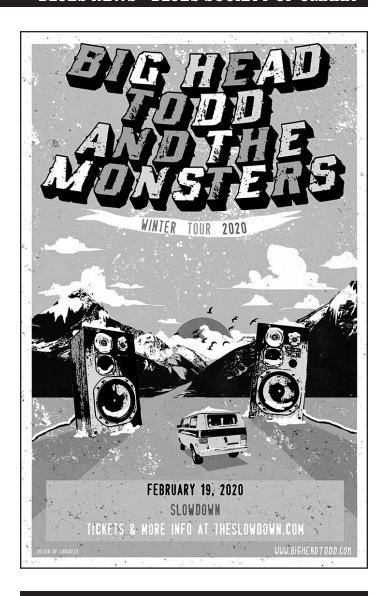
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Tue 5/19 Southern Culture on The Skids @ Waiting Room





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zia, Michael Pujado & Matt Wallace.

Brian England's professional music career began at the age of 16 with a 3-piece band formed with two of his brothers. We were quite versatile if not actually good, playing Pop music, Polkas, Waltzes – you get the idea. After high school I attended North Texas State University in Denton, Texas, and almost graduated before dropping out to join a band – Treasure Island – in Dallas.

In the late 1980's I returned to Omaha and played with a number of local bands: Shades and Danger, Rock City, Flair, The Fishheads, Mighty Jailbreakers and others.

England joined Blue House in 2016 and has enjoyed doing his favorite thing ever since: playing a Hammond B3 organ in a blues band!

From Blue House and the Rent to own Horns and World Herald websites.



CD Reviews (



Tennessee Redemption Brandon Santini & Jeff Jensen

Endless Blues Records



The Memphis based group reunites harp ace Brandon Santini and guitarist Jeff Jensen. They worked together in Santini's band from 2011 to 2013. The remaining band members have been playing with Santini recently.

The ten tracks have a laid-back feel with well established

grooves. Two cuts are covers. The songs are definitely blues, but also have an eclectic feel with other influences evident. The musicians are all excellent, but don't have to overplay, as many modern artists do, to try to convince listeners of their virtuosity.

I really enjoy the opener "Glad To Be". It is uplifting and a perfect beginning for the cd. The nice harp work by Santini shows why he is a multiple Blues Music Award nominee-including this year. Jensen adds fine vocals.

Another favorite of mine is Little Walter's "Watch Yourself". It has been done to death, but Santini adds his own touch on harp with some gritty vocals.

This album doesn't jump out at you in the first, or even the second listen- but it grows on you! That is why it is one of the best cd's from last year. It demonstrates what outstanding musicians know, that less is often more.

By A.J. Foyt



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