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Saturday, July 13 – Midtown Crossing

playing with fire

Gates Open 3:30 p.m.

Music Starts 4:30 p.m.

Headliner: Thorbjørn Risager & The Black Tornado

Supporting Act: Gunwood

Supporting Act: The Grace Giebler Project

BluesEd: Vertigo



ZOO FEST 2019

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY JULY 19, 20

See www.zoobar.com for info and tickets

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THE REDWOODS OPEN THE SHOW

Friday, July 12th @ 5:30 • The B Bar, Omaha

BSO SPONSORED SHOW!

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Sunday, July 21st at
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Poker Run Registration
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Bands from 4 till 9pm

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\$10 admission

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The Blues Society of Omaha Presents
Legendary Thursday Blues Matinees and more
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Thurs. July 11th Selwyn Birchwood (\$10)
Thurs. July 18th Levee Town (\$10)
Thurs. July 25th @ 5 pm Bridget Kelly Band
w/ Five Minute Drive (\$10)

Thurs. Aug. 1st Polly O'Keary and the Rhythm Method
w/ Deltaphonic (\$10)

Thurs. Aug. 15th RJ Mischio Band w/ opening act
Dustin Arbuckle feat. Mike Morgan. (\$15)

Thurs. Aug. 22nd Jeremiah Johnson Band (\$10)

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AUGUST 3, 2019

A blues festival in Omaha's Old Market

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

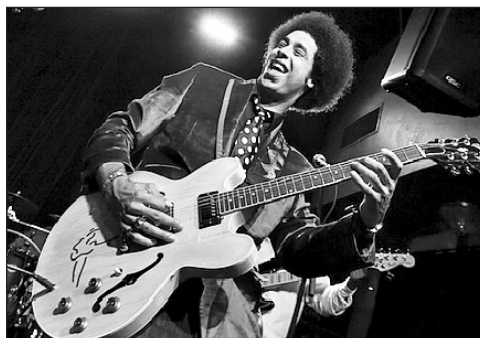
SELWYN BIRCHWOOD

Wednesday, July 10th @ 6 pm (\$12 adv., \$15 dos) Zoo Bar, Lincoln

Thursday, July 11th @ 6 pm (\$10) • Chrome Lounge, Omaha

Blues fireball Selwyn Birchwood is a guitar and lap steel playing bundle of pure energy. He delivers his original songs with a revival tent preacher's fervor and a natural storyteller's charisma made all the more impactful by his raw, unvarnished vocals. Since the 2014 release of his Alligator Records debut, *Don't Call No Ambulance*, Birchwood has set the contemporary blues world on fire. His high-octane blues—at once deeply rooted, funky and up-to-the-minute—are played with passion and honest emotion. With his band feeding off his drive and exuberance, the striking 6'3" young man with his trademark Afro roams the stage (often barefoot), ripping out memorable guitar licks with ease. His ability to win over an audience—any audience—is proven night after night on the bandstand. With his warm, magnetic personality, Birchwood is as down-to-earth as his music is fun, thought-provoking and vital. His mission is to spread his music far and wide, to share his joy, to play his heart out, and to push the blues into the future. "There's nothing I'd rather be doing than playing the blues," he says. "And I try to convey that with every song and with every performance."

In 2013, the Florida-based Birchwood catapulted from local hero to shooting star. He won the world-renowned International Blues Challenge, beating out 125 other bands from the U.S. and abroad. He also took home the Albert King Guitarist Of The Year Award. It wasn't long before Alligator Records president Bruce Iglauer offered Birchwood a contract. His



debut album, *Don't Call No Ambulance*, is a fully realized vision of contemporary blues. Birchwood's original songs range from raucous romps to hill country stomps, from searing, serious slow blues to modern blues rock. Between his uninhibited sense of fun and adventure and his serious-as-a-heart-attack musicianship, *Don't Call No Ambulance* is a window into the future of the blues. "All originals and no filler," he says of the album. "It's that genuineness of

emotion in the songs that people can hear." Rave reviews ran in publications from *Rolling Stone* to *The Wall Street Journal*, from *The Washington Post* to *The Chicago Tribune* and *The San Francisco Chronicle*.

The *Washington Post* says, "Selwyn Birchwood is an indelibly modern and original next-generation bluesman; his tough vocals, guitar and lap steel touch on classic Chicago blues, Southern soul and boogie." According to Iglauer, Birchwood is the real deal. "Selwyn Birchwood is a terrific young blues talent with a huge future. He writes smart, infectious, fresh songs and delivers them with a warm, conversational vocal style and a fun-loving attitude. He's a killer guitarist, switching between a regular six-string and lap steel. Live, he's a ball of energy, interacting with the audience like they were in his living room. Selwyn is destined to be one of the next stars in the blues world."

From the Artist's Facebook page.

Check out B.J. Huchtemann's column Hoodoo Blues each week in the Omaha READER for info on upcoming shows and other news in the roots-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?

Hello from BluesEd,

One of the joys of attending a BluesEd performance is eavesdropping on some of the comments I hear from the attendees.

"How old ARE these guys?"

"Are they for real?"

"This band is better than the band we had at our wedding"

"I can't believe how talented they are"

"They're not even old enough to get into bars"

"Are you kidding me?"

Yes. They are for real. Although many would believe that our musicians are all just naturally talented or gifted, they don't see how much time they commit to learning and practicing. All of our musicians are involved in private instruction and most play in other settings including jazz band, show choir, marching band and other programs sponsored by our local universities. They work hard. They demonstrate commit-

ment, discipline, respect and a willingness to sacrifice some of their other teenage activities for the love of music. And now it's starting to come full circle.

Many BluesEd alumni have become involved in mentoring our current musicians. They perform alumni clinics whereby they attend rehearsals and offer advice and suggestions. They also come to our performances and offer 10 minute reviews to the bands after the gig. This is the future of BluesEd...former musicians guiding current musicians.

If you haven't had a chance to see any of our BluesEd bands this season, there are plenty of opportunities in July. Our Fundraiser and Finale are perfect opportunities to see all 6 bands at two of the best venues in Omaha. We encourage you to stop by our Fundraiser on July 21st to not only listen to our bands, but to help our program move forward by bidding on some great auction items and buying raffle tickets for other fun prizes. Doors open at 1pm. We hope to see you there.

Tim Kaplan, Director

BLUES ED JULY PERFORMANCES

7/6/2019	Us and Them	Omaha Lounge
7/6/2019	Redwoods	Omaha Lounge
7/11/2019	Redwoods	Surfside
7/12/2019	Redwoods	B-Bar
7/13/2019	Vertigo	Playing With Fire
7/13/2019	Vertigo	Playing With Fire (Afterburn)
7/18/2019	Us and Them	Jazz On The Green
7/19/2019	Vertigo	B-Bar
7/19/2019	Us and Them	Okoboji Store Bar Kitchen
7/20/2019	Us and Them	Okoboji Store Bar Kitchen
7/20/2019	Far and Wide	Ragbrai (Council Bluffs)
7/20/2019	Five Minute Drive	Tri Faith Commons
7/21/2019	All Bands	BluesEd Fundraiser (SlowDown)
7/23/2019	Far and Wide	Ragbrai (Indianola, IA)
7/24/2019	Vertigo	Ragbrai (Centerville, IA)
7/25/2019	Five Minute Drive	Chrome
7/25/2019	Us and Them	Surfside
7/25/2019	Redwood	Jazz On The Green
7/26/2019	Five Minute Drive	B-Bar
7/26/2019	Blue Sunday	Midtown Friday Night Market 6pm
7/26/2019	Vertigo	Midtown Friday Night Market 8pm
7/27/2019	Blue Sunday	Rich Harvest Winery
7/27/2019	Vertigo	The Down Under
7/27/2019	Far and Wide	The Down Under
7/28/2019	All Bands	BluesEd Finale (Waiting Room)

*For specific times, please check our calendar at www.bluesed.com/events. Times are subject to change.

LEEVE TOWN

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



Levee Town is truly reminiscent of the old rock n roll energy that very first dominated the stage, but with a searing blend of blues and rockabilly stylings.

Since forming in 2002, the band has taken their powerhouse sound from the fertile Kansas City Blues scene to festival stages all over the US. Known for their explosive live shows, this foursome has won adulation and critical praise the old-fashioned way – *they earned it*.

Fronted by a trio of talented singer-songwriters, Levee Town is never at a loss for fresh new material. In addition to playing an average of 250 dates a year, the band is constantly writing new songs and revamping the classics.

Their 2004 live debut Snapshot displayed the band's on-stage prowess and blistering live performance. In 2006, they released their first full-length studio effort Unstable Table which displayed a strong penchant for solid songwriting and inventive lyrics. Their 2009 album entitled simply LEVEE TOWN shows that the group continues to grow musically and contains the band's finest songwriting and production to date. Their current release, "Pages of Paperwork", offers a solid set of original blues rooted firmly in the traditional blues sound, but also mixed with traces of rock, country, and even a little bit of pop.

From the Artist's website.

Friday, July 18th

5 PM – THE PALADINS • 7 PM – JUNIOR BROWN • 9 PM – MIKE ZITO • 11 PM – SACHEL GRANDE

Saturday, July 19th

**1 PM – BLUESSED BANDS • 3 PM – THE BOTTLE TOPS • 5 PM – BRUCE KATZ BAND
7 PM – JAMES HARMAN • 9 PM – MAVIS STAPLES • 11 PM – EMPIRE STRIKES BRASS**

**Friday, 7/18 - \$30 adv. / \$35 dos • Saturday, 7/19 - \$50 adv. / \$60 dos
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Wednesday, July 3rd @ 6 pm
Paul Nelson Band (\$10)

Friday, July 5th @ 9 pm
Heather Newman CD Release (\$8)

Saturday, July 6th @ 6 pm
Brave Combo (\$20 adv. / \$25 dos)

Monday, July 8th @ 6 pm
The Iguanas

Wednesday, July 10th @ 6 pm
**Selwyn Birchwood
(\$12 adv. / \$15 dos)**

Sunday, July 14th @ 6 pm
Jason D. Williams

Tuesday, July 16th @ 6 pm
Mezcal Brothers

Wednesday, July 17th @ 6 pm
**David Basse, James Armstrong and
Josh Hoyer and Soul Colossal**

Thursday, July 18th @ 6 pm
**James Harman and
Mike Zito and The Wheel**

Friday, July 19th @ 5 pm
ZOOFEST!

Saturday, July 20th @ 1 pm
ZOOFEST!

Wednesday, July 24th @ 6 pm
Bridget Kelly Band (\$8)

Wednesday, July 31st @ 6 pm
Deltaphonic (\$8)

**For a full schedule see
www.zoobar.com**



Sunday, July 7th @ 5 pm
John Clifton

Thursday, July 11th @ 7 pm
Open Jam w /Tim Budig

Friday, July 12th @ 9 pm
Jonesin' for Janey

Saturday, July 13th @ 9 pm
Rythm Collective

Sunday, July 14th @ 5 pm
Ninja Phunk

Sunday, July 21st @ 5 pm
Bridget Kelly Band

Fri day, July 26th @ 9 pm
The Piedmont Boys

Saturday, July 27th
**Corner Bar's
38th Anniversary
Eva & B**

**7pm till 8:30 pm
Taylor Scott Band
9 pm till 12:30 am**

Sunday, July 28th @ 5 pm
Heavy Grams

BRIDGET KELLY BAND

Sunday, July 21st @ 5 pm • Corner Bar, Fremont

Wednesday, July 24th @ 6 pm (\$8) • Zoo Bar, Lincoln

Thursday, July 25th • w/Five Minute Drive @ 5 pm (\$10) • Chrome Lounge, Omaha



Inspired by classic & electric blues, the Bridget Kelly Band has placed their unique stamp on the blues genre, with high-energy live performances and a hybrid sound that mixes Texas and Memphis Blues with various Southern Blues traditions. The powerful and sultry vocals of singer Bridget Kelly and the incendiary lead guitar work of Tim Fik forge a signature hybrid sound that combines classic urban blues with riff-driven rockin' blues guitar; held together by a dynamic rhythm section comprised of Alex Klausner on drums and Mark Armbrrecht on bass.

As IBC Semi-Finalist in 2015 and 2016, the group continues to gain serious media attention. The Bridget Kelly Band recently ranked #3 in a "Women in Music" poll sponsored by Blues-E-News magazine in the summer of 2015.

The Bridget Kelly Band has been performing at clubs, concerts, and festivals throughout the United States, and performed at the "Women in Blues" Showcase in Memphis during the 2017 International Blues Challenge.

Bone Rattler was the group's 4th album (released on Alpha Sun Records in May of 2017) -- an eclectic 2-disk, 22 all-original song CD, covering a wide spectrum of Electric Blues and Blues-Rock styles. A 2017 tour to promote the new album included shows in Florida and Georgia, a

CD release party at Darwin's in Atlanta, and club and festival dates throughout the Midwest. The Bridget Kelly Band wowed audiences in the clubs and concert settings across the states of Iowa, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Illinois, and Alabama. The band received standing ovations at the Northwood Blues Festival and the Nickel Plate District Blues Festival for their killer live set that rocked the capacity crowds. The Bridget Kelly Band just released their brand new CD "Blues Warrior" on Alpha Sun Records in May 2018.

From the Artist's website

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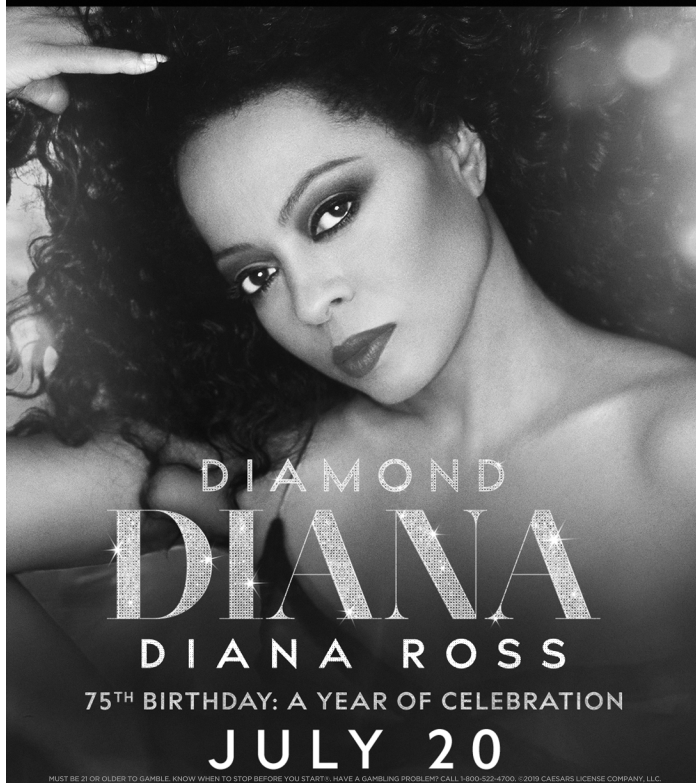
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July 18 - PINETTES BRASS BAND
w/ BluesEd Band Us and Them

July 25 - PAA KOW AND HIS AFRO-FUSION ORCHESTRA
w/ BluesEd Band The Redwoods

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BLUES IN JULY & AUGUST

[Mon Jul 01]

Jon Dee Graham and the Fighting Cocks w/ Bonnie Whitmore @ B Side (Benson) (6:00 pm) (B Side)
Big Band @ Ozone (6:30 pm) (Ozone)
Zoo Bar House Band & Open Jam @ Zoo Bar (7:00 pm) (Zoo Bar)
1st Monday Blues Jam @ Down Under (9:00 pm) (Down Under Lounge)

[Tue Jul 02]

Scott Moyer All-Genre Jam @ Barley Street Tavern (7:00 pm) (Barley Street Tavern)
Hector Anchondo (solo) @ Omaha Lounge (7:30 pm) (The Omaha Lounge)
Blasters, Wayne Hancock, Supersuckers, Clovis Presley @ Waiting Room (8:00 pm) (The Waiting Room Lounge)

[Wed Jul 03]

Singer Songwriter Miwi La Lupa at The Jewell (6:30 pm) (The Jewell)

[Fri Jul 05]

Josh Hoyer & The Soul Colossal @ South Point Pavilion (6:00 pm) (South Pointe Pavilion)
Camille Metoyer Moten at The Jewell (6:30 pm) (The Jewell)
Blue House @ Copa Cabana (9:00 pm) (Copa Cabana)

[Sat Jul 06]

Brave Combo @ Zoo Bar (6:00 pm) (Zoo Bar)

[Sun Jul 07]

John Clifton – Corner Bar, Fremont (5:00 pm) (The Corner Bar)
Tab Benoit @ Waiting Room (8:00 pm) (The Waiting Room Lounge)

[Mon Jul 08]

The Iguanas at Zoo Bar (6:00 pm) (Zoo Bar)
Big Band @ Ozone (6:30 pm) (Ozone)
Zoo Bar House Band & Open Jam @ Zoo Bar (7:00 pm) (Zoo Bar)

[Tue Jul 09]

Scott Moyer All-Genre Jam @ Barley Street Tavern (7:00 pm) (Barley Street Tavern)
Hector Anchondo (solo) @ Omaha Lounge (7:30 pm) (The Omaha Lounge)

[Wed Jul 10]

Peterson Brothers @ Bourbon Theater (7:00 pm) (Bourbon Theater)
Acoustic Soup @ Tavern on Q (7:00 pm) (Tavern on Q)

[Thu Jul 11]

Selwyn Birchwood @ Chrome Lounge (6:00 pm) (Chrome Lounge)
Big Sam's Funky Nation @ Jazz on the Green (6:30 pm) (Turner Park at Midtown Crossing)
The Iguanas at The Jewell (6:30 pm) (The Jewell)
Open Jam – w/Tim Budig – Corner Bar, Fremont (7:00 pm) (The Corner Bar)

[Fri Jul 12]

Two Blue at Growler USA (5:00 pm) (GrowlerUSA)
BSO presents Hannah Wicklund & The Stepping Stones featuring Ken Valdez w/ openers The Redwoods @ B Bar (5:30 pm) (The B Bar)
River Jam Woodstock Show @ River West Park (6:00 pm) (River West Park)
Big Daddy Caleb & The Chargers @ Crescent Moon (Lincoln) (8:00 pm) (Crescent Moon)
Jonesin for Janey – Corner Bar, Fremont (9:00 pm) (The Corner Bar)

[Sat Jul 13]

River Jam Woodstock Show @ River West Park (1:00 pm) (River West Park)
Thorbjørn Risager, Gunwood, The Grace Giebler Project & Vertigo @ PWF (4:30 pm) (Turner Park at Midtown Crossing)
Dana Murray and Manifesto at The Jewell (6:30 pm) (The Jewell)
Rhythm Collective – Corner Bar, Fremont (9:00 pm) (The Corner Bar)

[Sun Jul 14]

Ninja Phunk – Corner Bar, Fremont (5:00 pm) (The Corner Bar)
Jason D Williams @ Zoo Bar (6:00 pm) (Zoo Bar)

[Mon Jul 15]

Big Band @ Ozone (6:30 pm) (Ozone)
Zoo Bar House Band & Open Jam @ Zoo Bar (7:00 pm) (Zoo Bar)
Walter Trout Band w/ The Nick Scheneblen Band @ Waiting Room (8:00 pm) (The Waiting Room Lounge)

[Tue Jul 16]

Mezcal Brothers @ Zoo Bar (6:00 pm) (Zoo Bar)
Scott Moyer All-Genre Jam @ Barley Street Tavern (7:00 pm) (Barley Street Tavern)
Hector Anchondo (solo) @ Omaha Lounge (7:30 pm) (The Omaha Lounge)

[Wed Jul 17]

David Basse, James Armstrong and Josh Hoyer & The Soul Colossal @ The Zoo Bar (6:00 pm) (Zoo Bar)

[Thu Jul 18]

Levee Town @ Chrome Lounge (6:00 pm) (Chrome Lounge)
James Harman and Mike Zito and The Wheel at Zoo Bar (6:00 pm) (Zoo Bar)
Pinettes Brass Band @ Jazz on the Green (6:30 pm) (Jazz on the Green – Midtown Crossing)

[Fri Jul 19]

Mike Zito, Jr. Brown, The Paladins, Satchel Grande @ Zoo Fest (5:00 pm) (Zoo Fest)
Tower of Power w/ Carolyn Wonderland @ Sioux Falls JazzFest 2019 (6:00 pm) (Yankton Trail Park)

[Sat Jul 20]

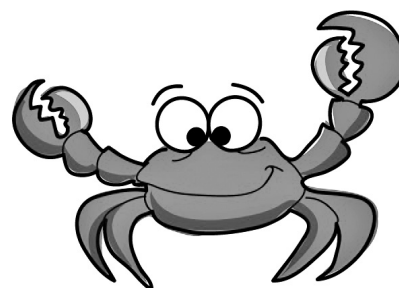
Here Come the Mummies, Joanne Shaw Taylor, MarchFourth @ Sioux Falls JazzFest (12:00 pm) (Yankton Trail Park)
Mavis Staples, James Harman, Bruce Katz, The Bottle Tops, Empire Strikes Brass, BluesEd @ Zoo Fest (1:00 pm) (Zoo Fest)

[Sun Jul 21]

Sailing in Soup, Little Joe & Big Trouble, & Lash Larue @ Propane Benefit for Pine Ridge @ Chrome Lounge (4:00 pm) (Chrome Lounge)
Bridget Kelly Band – Corner Bar, Fremont (5:00 pm) (The Corner Bar)

[Mon Jul 22]

Big Band @ Ozone (6:30 pm) (Ozone)
Zoo Bar House Band & Open Jam @ Zoo Bar (7:00 pm) (Zoo Bar)



FIRST TUESDAY FUNDRAISER

**The Crabby Blues Band is taking
the month off to enjoy the
4th of July Holiday.**

**Join us again in August for
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HEY BANDS & BARS

If you want your schedule printed monthly in BLUES NOTES and listed on omahablues.com, e-mail to calendar@omahablues.com

All schedules must be received by the 21st of each month.

Get calendar updates @ www.omahablues.com

BLUES IN JULY & AUGUST

[Tue Jul 23]

Scott Moyer All-Genre Jam @ Barley Street Tavern (7:00 pm) (Barley Street Tavern)

Hector Anchondo (solo) @ Omaha Lounge (7:30 pm) (The Omaha Lounge)

[Wed Jul 24]

The Baylor Project at The Jewell (6:30 pm) (The Jewell)

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

Bridget Kelly Band @ 6 pm (\$8) (Zoo Bar, Lincoln)

[Thu Jul 25]

Bridget Kelly Band w/ 5 Minute Drive @ Chrome (5:00 pm) (Chrome Lounge)

Paa Kow and his Afro-Fusion Orchestra @ Jazz on the Green (6:30 pm) (Jazz on the Green – Midtown Crossing)

The Baylor Project at The Jewell (6:30 pm) (The Jewell)

[Fri Jul 26]

The Piedmont Boys – The Corner Bar, Fremont (9:00 pm) (The Corner Bar)

[Sat Jul 27]

Terry O's 60th B-Day w/ Sailing in Soup & Los Gattos @ Rathskeller's Backyard (5:00 pm) (Rathskeller)

The Corner Bar 38th Anniversary Eva and B and Taylor Scott Band (7:00 pm) (The Corner Bar)

[Sun Jul 28]

Heavy Grams – The Corner Bar, Fremont (5:00 pm) (The Corner Bar)

[Mon Jul 29]

Big Band @ Ozone (6:30 pm) (Ozone)

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

[Tue Jul 30]

Scott Moyer All-Genre Jam @ Barley Street Tavern (7:00 pm) (Barley Street Tavern)

Hector Anchondo (solo) @ Omaha Lounge (7:30 pm) (The Omaha Lounge)

[Wed Jul 31]

Charlie Hunter & Lucy Woodward at The Jewell (6:30 pm) (The Jewell)

[Thu Aug 01]

Polly O'Keary @ Chrome (6:00 pm) (Chrome Lounge)

Big Wade and Black Swan Theory @ Jazz on the Green (6:30 pm) (Jazz on the Green – Midtown Crossing)

Kris Lager Band @ KZUM Stransky Park Concert Series (7:00 pm) (Stransky Park)

[Fri Aug 02]

Richie Love at The Jewell (6:30 pm) (The Jewell)

[Sat Aug 03]

5th Annual In the Market for Blues @ Old Market & Capitol District (2:00 pm) (The Old Market)

Ron E. Beck at The Jewell (6:30 pm) (The Jewell)

Big Daddy Caleb & The Chargers @ Growler USA (9:00 pm) (Growler USA)

[Sun Aug 04]

Blues Beatles w/ Mick Kolassa @ Beneficial BluesFest in Howells, NE (4:00 pm) (Howells Ballroom)

North Omaha Open Jam at The Jewell (6:30 pm) (The Jewell)

[Mon Aug 05]

Big Band @ Ozone (6:30 pm) (Ozone)

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

The War & Treaty @ Waiting Room (8:00 pm) (The Waiting Room Lounge)

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

[Tue Aug 06]

Crabby Blues Band at Shuck's (119th & Pacific St.) (6:00 pm) (Shucks)

Scott Moyer All-Genre Jam @ Barley Street Tavern (7:00 pm) (Barley Street Tavern)

[Thu Aug 08]

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[Sat Aug 10]

Annika Chambers, Tony Holiday Band, Us & Them, The Redwoods at Edge Festival at Soaring Wings (5:00 pm) (Soaring Wings Winery)

The OK Sisters & Friends at B Side in Benson (7:00 pm) (B Side)

[Mon Aug 12]

Big Band @ Ozone (6:30 pm) (Ozone)

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

[Tue Aug 13]

Scott Moyer All-Genre Jam @ Barley Street Tavern (7:00 pm) (Barley Street Tavern)

[Thu Aug 15]

RJ Mischo @ Chrome (6:00 pm) (Chrome Lounge)

Darcy Malone and the Tangle @ Jazz on the Green (6:30 pm) (Jazz on the Green – Midtown Crossing)

Gov't Mule @ Sumtur Amphitheater (7:00 pm) (Sumtur Amphitheater)

[Mon Aug 19]

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[Tue Aug 20]

Scott Moyer All-Genre Jam @ Barley Street Tavern (7:00 pm) (Barley Street Tavern)

[Fri Aug 23]

Lauren Anderson Band @ B Bar (5:30 pm) (The B Bar)

[Sat Aug 24]

Indigenous, Wille & The Bandits, Sebastian Lane Band & Far & Wide @ Playing with Fire (4:30 pm) (Turner Park at Midtown Crossing)

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[Sun Aug 25]

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to come play at several bars, and assured the young man that he could get him in, underage though he was. Miller became a regular in clubs in the Bay Area, sitting in with local and touring acts night after night. At 25, then living in San Luis Obispo, he assembled The Dave Miller Band, and for the next 18 years, he and the group went on to become one of Southern California's most popular blues bands, leading one reviewer to describe his "jaw-dropping guitar licks" and praise his "extraordinary mixture of inspiring virtuosity both vocally and instrumentally."

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From the Artist's website.

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Fri 8/9 Joe Bonamassa @ Pinewood Bowl

SAT 8/10 Annika Chambers, Tony Holiday Band, Us & Them, The Redwoods at Soaring Wings

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Here's some of the events coming up that we need volunteers for:

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**Zoofest - Friday, July 19th
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**In the Market for Blues -
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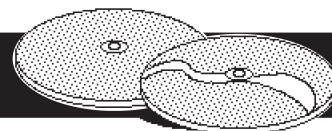
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CD Review



John Primer • *The Soul of a Blues Man*

Blues House



John Primer is an elder statesman of Chicago blues having played with Magic Slim and Muddy Waters. He has fronted his own band for many years.

This cd, as the name implies, is Primer e m p h a - sizing the

soul influence that has always been a part of his repertoire. He uses his regular band, The Real Deal Blues Band, on the outing. Primer also has the great Billy Flynn on second guitar. It makes for a tight recording, with Primer primarily using his regular touring band.

Primer covers three Bobby Bland classics as well as other soul standards such as Clarence Carter's "Slip Away" and Brook Benton's "Rainy Night in Georgia". Oddly, no composer credits are given.

The cd is recorded live in the studio giving the album a rougher feel than many blues albums have these days. It doesn't have the over produced, slick sound that many artists now seem to prefer.

Primer is known for the lump, lump Chicago sound, and there is still plenty of this classic element. There is also a lot of great

guitar from Primer and guest Flynn, but it is the soulful singing of Primer that is accented. His singing is very passionate and soulful, while still giving us plenty of the classic Chicago sound he is known for making.

By A.J. Foyt

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- Monthly Newsletter – Blues Notes
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- 1st Month Free Business Card Advertisement

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