

25th July -
2nd August
2009

GLOUCESTER RHYTHM & BLUES programme

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Gloucester Rhythm & Blues Festival 2009

This is the 9th annual Rhythm & Blues Festival bringing a mixture of local and national blues artists into the family friendly atmosphere of the City of Gloucester.

For more information look online at www.gloucesterblues.co.uk or telephone 01452 396572

SATURDAY 25 JULY

Gloucester Park

The Rhythm & Blues Festival's contribution to the Summer Festival's Music Day FREE entertainment:

8pm Lightnin' Willie and The Poorboys

Willie has played in Gloucester before, but this time he is touring with his American band. Emerging from the clubs and bars of the U.S Blues scene, Willie is an accomplished and hard-working guitarist, vocalist and songwriter.

Now based in Los Angeles, A seasoned musician who has paid his dues. With four albums under his belt, this eloquent storyteller has his own story of time on the road, personal loss, fresh beginnings and an over-riding love of playing the 'Devil's Music.'

www.lightninwillie.com

The Blues Trail 2009

This year, more than ever, the Rhythm & Blues Festival revolves around City centre venues featuring as many local musicians and old favourites as possible, and bringing in artists from around the country. Entry is FREE to all events.

SATURDAY 25 JULY

8.30pm Sons of The Delta Band – Pig Inn The City

'Made in Mississippi is a belter of an album, Mark Cole and Rick Edwards do not just 'play' the blues, they feel it too,' Blues in Britain Magazine

www.sonsofthedelta.co.uk

Café René have a mix of music during the Festival week. Many of their favourite blues acts from previous years are featured, plus a great line up of regular musicians who play there during the rest of the year. Please check with their own Beer and Music Festival programme.

10.30pm Ragtime Jug Orchestra – Café René

after the event in Gloucester Park

SUNDAY 26 JULY

6pm The Suspects – Pig Inn The City

Back again. Local band – exploring the territory around the world of blues.

7.30pm Cool Hand - Café René

and resident DJ. Dirty Lyle will finish the evening with his blues mix.

MONDAY 27 JULY

8.30pm Jacksboro Highway Band – Café René

Covers of the best in blues, country and rock.

www.jacksborohighwayband.co.uk

TUESDAY 28 JULY

8.30pm Monkey

Jam – Café René
Stroud based covers band

www.myspace.com/monkeyjamuk

9pm The Steve Browning Band – Cross Keys Inn

A modern blues sound, mixing blues with elements of jazz, funk, and rock.

WEDNESDAY 29 JULY

8.30pm Patsy Gamble and Peter Gill – Pig Inn The City

Saxophonist Patsy Gamble has performed all over The UK and Europe with many different artists including Ruby Turner and Eugene 'Hideaway' Bridges. Here she works with piano maestro Peter Gill.

www.patsygamble.co.uk

8.30pm Festival 'Open Mic' Night – The Cross Keys Inn

Very popular event last year. Run by our Delta son Mark Cole. Please come early if you would like to play.

9pm The Worried Men – Dean's Walk Inn

Jamie Thyer and the old team are back with a vengeance with their rocking blues. Stand well back!

www.theworriedmen.com

9pm Larry Miller Band – Café René

One of the UK's premier rockin' blues guitarists.

www.larrymiller.co.uk

THURSDAY 30 JULY

FREE WORKSHOPS

Centre for African-American Music, Greyfriars

www.euroblues.org

American 'songster-bluesman' and Piedmont style guitarist Michael Roach will lead a workshop ending with a FREE concert by The Ragtime Jug Orchestra between 1pm–2pm.

To book call 01452 503775 or email: info@euroblues.org
Now fully in operation The European Blues Association sets out to advance the education of the general public in the history and appreciation of blues music. The resource centre for operations and public display is on the 2nd floor in the Music and Drama Library. It provides a focus for music making, study, research, courses, projects, workshops, exhibitions and displays and includes the bequest of blues writer/historian Paul Oliver. Open 11am to 4pm on Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

8.30pm Tom McNair – Pig Inn The City

8.30pm David Bristow – The Old Bell

Another favourite from the last 2 years. Traditional old time blues feel.

www.bristowblues.co.uk

8.30pm Oliver Darling (solo) - The New Inn

Guitarist with Mike Sanchez and The Portions and frontman with The Dirty Robbers plays solo.

9pm Barney Porter & Friends - The Dick Whittington

Eclectic mix of blues and contemporary songs.

9pm Bridget and The Big Girl's Blues – Cross Keys Inn

The first lady of blues in Gloucester sings classic songs of the early blues singers like Bessie Smith and Billie Holiday.

8.30pm Mumbo Jumbo – Café René

Oliver Carpenter from The Big Blues Tribe with his 'acoustic' line up.

www.thebigbluestribe.com

FRIDAY 31 JULY

8.30pm Good God No! – Café René

Stroud based 6 piece blues rock band.

www.goodgodno.co.uk

8.30pm Cool Hand – Pig Inn The City

Chris Willey and Pete Heyward with their quality mix of blues tracks.

8.30pm Alex Ahern - The Conservative Club

Young Gloucester bluesman.

SATURDAY 1 AUGUST

1pm Sisters in Grease – Café René

2pm Wired – Inn on The Docks
Blues, soul, and rock from popular young band who have played several times at Rock at The Docks.

2pm Perry Foster – Café René

One of the real characters on the UK blues circuit. Heavily influenced by Big Bill Broonzy, Sonny Terry and Brownie McGhee and Robert Johnson.

8.30pm Keith Thompson's Strange Brew + support – Coots Café Bar at The National Waterways Museum

'Rip snorting blues/rock... stomps along like there's no tomorrow.'

Rock'n'Reel Magazine

www.densitymusic.com

8.30pm Muleskinner – Pig Inn The City

www.muleskinnerbluesband.com

7pm The Dirty Robbers – Café René

Oliver Darling, guitarist working regularly with Mike Sanchez, back in Gloucester with his own dynamic band.

9pm Miss Fusion – Café René

SUNDAY 2 AUGUST

2pm Will Killeen - Café René

Unique player who strays into Irish folk/roots territory. Café René regulars Tom McNair and Friends finishes the week off. ...plus many others in between.

4pm Steve Kent – Pig Inn The City

Popular Gloucester bluesman with an eclectic mixture of material

6pm The Suspects – Café René

Followed by regulars Tom McNair and friends...

6.30pm Bridget and The Big Girls Blues – Pig Inn The City

8.30pm Innes Sibun Band + support – Coots Café/Bar at The National Waterways Museum

Another regular in Gloucester. The Festival wouldn't be the same without the rocky guitar slinger and one time band member with Robert Plant.

Please check for updates and changes to the programme on the website: www.gloucesterblues.co.uk
All times are approximate.

