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Swedish blues historian Hans Ekestang has been capturing the blues through his impressive photography since 1971. He has devoted the better part of his life to travelling internationally to create a superior catalog of photographs, having attended blues festivals across Scandinavia, Europe, and the United States. His subjects have included blues legends B.B. King, Muddy Waters, Chuck Berry, James Brown, Little Richard, Fats Domino, and Luther Allison, among countless others. 2008 Keeping the Blues Alive Award recipient *Jefferson* magazine has been featuring Ekestang's images for over 45 years, with Ekestang providing his photos at no charge to ensure that they are seen by a broad public. His photographs have also been exhibited at numerous public events in Sweden, further educating the public about the blues. A 196-page book of his blues and R&B photos, *Great Feelings and Meanings*, has recently been published in Sweden and warmly welcomed by blues enthusiasts. Hans Ekestang has a unique talent for catching the moment and expressing the feelings of these artists onstage. His aim is to evoke the same feelings in anyone looking at the pictures.