



FORTIETH ANNUAL
BLUES MUSIC AWARDS
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If you are a member of The Blues Foundation, you already know that you are entitled to vote for the BLUES MUSIC AWARDS. If you are not a member, you can still join and vote. So sign up this weekend or do it online when you get home. Voting ends at 11:59pm CST on Thursday, February 28th. Level of membership and date of ticket purchase are factors in determining your seat!

**TICKETS AND MORE
 INFO AT BLUES.ORG**

ACOUSTIC ARTIST

- ★ Ben Rice
- ★ Guy Davis
- ★ Hadden Sayers
- ★ Harrison Kennedy
- ★ Rory Block

ACOUSTIC ALBUM

- ★ *A Woman's Soul*, Rory Block
- ★ *Black Cowboys*, Dom Flemons
- ★ *Global Griot*, Eric Bibb
- ★ *Journeys To The Heart Of The Blues*, Joe Louis Walker/ Bruce Katz/ Giles Robson

- ★ *Wish The World Away*, Ben Rice

BLUES ROCK ARTIST

- ★ Billy F Gibbons
- ★ Eric Gales
- ★ J.P. Soars
- ★ Kenny Wayne Shepherd
- ★ Tinsley Ellis

BLUES ROCK ALBUM

- ★ *The Big Bad Blues*, Billy F Gibbons
- ★ *High Desert Heat*, Too Slim and the Taildraggers
- ★ *Live At The '62 Center*, Albert Cummings
- ★ *Poor Until Payday*, The Reverend Peyton's Big Damn Band
- ★ *Winning Hand*, Tinsley Ellis

CONTEMPORARY BLUES FEMALE ARTIST

- ★ Beth Hart
- ★ Danielle Nicole
- ★ Samantha Fish
- ★ Shemekia Copeland
- ★ Vanessa Collier

CONTEMPORARY BLUES MALE ARTIST

- ★ Kenny Neal
- ★ Rick Estrin
- ★ Ronnie Baker Brooks
- ★ Selwyn Birchwood
- ★ Toronzo Cannon

CONTEMPORARY BLUES ALBUM

- ★ *America's Child*, Shemekia Copeland
- ★ *Belle Of The West*, Samantha Fish
- ★ *Chicago Plays The Stones*, The Living History Band
- ★ *Hold On*, Kirk Fletcher
- ★ *Wild Again*, The Proven Ones

SOUL BLUES FEMALE ARTIST

- ★ Annika Chambers
- ★ Barbara Blue
- ★ Candi Staton
- ★ Thornetta Davis
- ★ Whitney Shay

SOUL BLUES MALE ARTIST

- ★ Frank Bey
- ★ Johnny Rawls
- ★ Sugaray Rayford
- ★ Wee Willie Walker
- ★ William Bell

SOUL BLUES ALBUM

- ★ *Back In Business*, Frank Bey
- ★ *Every Soul's A Star*, Dave Keller
- ★ *I'm Still Around*, Johnny Rawls
- ★ *Love Makes A Woman*, The Knickerbocker All-Stars
- ★ *Reckoning*, Billy Price

KOKO TAYLOR AWARD

- ★ Fiona Boyes
- ★ Lindsay Beaver
- ★ Ruthie Foster
- ★ Sue Foley
- ★ Trudy Lynn

TRADITIONAL BLUES MALE ARTIST

- ★ Anthony Geraci
- ★ Cedric Burnside
- ★ James Harman
- ★ Lurrie Bell
- ★ Nick Moss

TRADITIONAL BLUES ALBUM

- ★ *The Blues Is Alive And Well*, Buddy Guy
- ★ *The High Cost Of Low Living*, The Nick Moss Band Featuring Dennis Gruenling
- ★ *The Luckiest Man*, Ronnie Earl & The Broadcasters
- ★ *Tribute to Carey Bell*, Lurrie Bell & the Bell Dynasty
- ★ *Why Did You Have To Go*, Anthony Geraci

SONG

- ★ "Ain't Got Time For Hate", written by John Hahn and Will Kimbrough
- ★ "Angelina, Angelina", written by Anthony Geraci
- ★ "Cognac", written by Buddy Guy, Tom Hambridge, Richard Fleming
- ★ "The Ice Queen", written by Sue Foley
- ★ "No Mercy In This Land", written by Ben Harper

ALBUM

- ★ *America's Child*, Shemekia Copeland
- ★ *The High Cost Of Low Living*, The Nick Moss Band Featuring Dennis Gruenling
- ★ *Journeys To The Heart Of The Blues*, Joe Louis Walker/ Bruce Katz/ Giles Robson
- ★ *Rough Cut*, Curtis Salgado and Alan Hager
- ★ *Why Did You Have To Go*, Anthony Geraci

BEST EMERGING ARTIST ALBUM

- ★ *Burn Me Alive*, Heather Newman
- ★ *Free*, Amanda Fish
- ★ *Heartland And Soul*, Kevin Burt
- ★ *Tough As Love*, Lindsay Beaver
- ★ *Wish The World Away*, Ben Rice

B.B. KING ENTERTAINER

- ★ Beth Hart
- ★ Bobby Rush
- ★ Lil' Ed Williams
- ★ Michael Ledbetter
- ★ Sugaray Rayford

BAND

- ★ Anthony Geraci & The Boston Blues All-Stars
- ★ Larkin Poe
- ★ Lil' Ed & the Blues Imperials
- ★ Nick Moss Band
- ★ Welch-Ledbetter Connection

INSTRUMENTALIST BASS

- ★ Danielle Nicole
- ★ Michael "Mudcat" Ward
- ★ Patrick Rynn
- ★ Scot Sutherland
- ★ Willie J. Campbell

INSTRUMENTALIST DRUMS

- ★ Cedric Burnside
- ★ Jimi Bott
- ★ June Core
- ★ Tom Hambridge
- ★ Tony Braunagel

INSTRUMENTALIST GUITAR

- ★ Anson Funderburgh
- ★ Christoffer "Kid" Andersen
- ★ Laura Chavez
- ★ Monster Mike Welch
- ★ Ronnie Earl

INSTRUMENTALIST HARMONICA

- ★ Billy Branch
- ★ Bob Corritore
- ★ Dennis Gruenling
- ★ Kim Wilson
- ★ Mark Hummel

INSTRUMENTALIST HORN

- ★ Doug James
- ★ Jimmy Carpenter
- ★ Kaz Kazzanof
- ★ Mindi Abair
- ★ Nancy Wright
- ★ Vanessa Collier

PINETOP PERKINS PIANO PLAYER

- ★ Anthony Geraci
- ★ Bruce Katz
- ★ Jim Pugh
- ★ Marcia Ball
- ★ Mike Finnigan

INSTRUMENTALIST VOCALS

- ★ Beth Hart
- ★ Danielle Nicole
- ★ Janiva Magness
- ★ Michael Ledbetter
- ★ Shemekia Copeland



**JOIN &
 VOTE!**