

**MAY to SUMMER 2020, MEMPHIS BLUES SOCIETY GIG & EVENT (COVID-19 UPDATE) CALENDAR**  
(part of the Memphis Blues Society eNewsletter)



**IMPORTANT:** Since late March 2020 the Coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak, sheltering at home and non-essential business closures has shut down all local live music at restaurants, bar and public venues.

During May 2020 a phased reopening of these businesses is planned to occur. It's unknown how or when live music will return or how the Coronavirus will affect live music ahead in 2020.

If you plan to attend a live event, it's advised to contact venue of time to verify the events and social distancing guidelines in place.

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**Support Local Musicians:**

Many local musicians that rely on income from performing live music are just getting by during this difficult time. Musicians are performing live music via online livestreaming. Please watch their livestreaming events. If you're able please post a tip online for the musician. Also visit musician websites, Facebook pages and other online pages, purchase their music and merch. Your help and support will go a long way and it means a lot!

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**1. MUSICIAN/BAND SCHEDULE WEBLINKS:**

- Barbara Blue: <http://barbarablue.com/schedule.html>
- Eric Hughes, Eric Hughes Trio, Eric Hughes Band: <http://www.erichughesband.com/upcomingshows.cfm>
- Eric Sommer: <https://ericsommer.com/events/>
- Ghost Town Blues Band: <http://www.ghosttownbluesband.com/Tour.php>
- Jeff Jensen Band: <http://jeffjensenband.com/tour-dates/>
- John Nemeth: <http://johnnemeth.com/bandsintown/>
- Larry Dodson of the BarKays: <http://www.larrydofthebarkays.com>
- Little Boys Blue: <http://littleboysblue.bandzoogle.com/shows>
- Low Society: <http://www.reverbnation.com/artist/shows/385580>
- Scott Sharrard: <https://www.bandsintown.com/a/15068189-scott-sharrard>
- Stax Museum Events: <http://staxmuseum.com/events>
- Will Tucker Band: <http://www.willtuckermusic.com>

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**2. WEEKLY BLUES JAMS, OPEN MIC NIGHTS (bring your instrument and sign-up to Jam):**

**Due to COVID19 restrictions, venues are closed or provide limited food service; live music events are cancelled until further notice.**

#### **Memphis Blues Society Sponsored Blues Jams**

- **Thursdays 7:30-11pm, Brad Webb & Friends Blues Jam**, sponsored by the Memphis Blues Society, RockHouse Live, 5709 Raleigh-Lagrange Rd., Memphis, TN 38134

#### **Other Blues Jams in Memphis and the Midsouth:**

- **Every 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday monthly\*, 7-10pm, Royal Blues Band Big Jam, Jack Rowell, Jr.**, Lafayette's Music Room, 2119 Madison Ave. (\*the day of month is subject to change, call Lafayette's ahead of time to verify the date for the Jam)
- **Tuesdays, 8pm-12am, Open Mic Night hosted by Bad Penny Productions**, RockHouse Live, 5709 Raleigh-Lagrange Rd., Memphis, TN 38134

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### **3. WEEKLY & MONTHLY REGULARLY SCHEDULED GIGS & EVENTS**

**Due to COVID19 restrictions, venues are closed with the exception of providing limited food service; live music events are cancelled until further notice.**

**IMPORTANT VENUE INFORMATION:** *When venues reopen after closure by COVID19 restrictions, contact the venues ahead of time to verify live shows; ask about social distancing guidelines in place for live music; all times listed are local U.S. Central Time; dates and times listed are subject to change; most shows are for ages 21+, Schedules are subject to change; Most outside shows are seasonal only and held weather permitting.*

#### **Sundays**

- Sundays, 9am-noon, **The Blues Brunch**, WXXM, 98.1 FM The Max Radio, Memphis, hosted by Robb Morrison, <http://www.981themax.com/>
- Sundays, 11:30am- 2:30pm, **Joyce Cobb with the Bosco's Band**, Sunday Brunch, Bosco's Squared, Madison Ave, Overton Square
- Sundays, 2:30-6:30pm, **Flick's Picks (feat. Chris McDaniel)**, B.B. Kings Blues Club, Beale Street
- Sundays, 4-8pm, **Barbara Blue with Nat Kerr (piano)**, Silky O'Sullivan's, 183 Beale St
- Every Sun, 7-11pm, **PS Band (feat. Jonathan Ellison)**, B.B. King's Blues Club, Beale Street
- **Sundays, 8-11pm, Radio-Memphis 'Booze and Blues' show webcast, hosted by Ric Chetter**  
<http://www.radio-memphis.com>
- Sundays, 8pm, **Blues Show**, WYPL, 89.3 FM Radio, Memphis
- Sundays, 8-10pm, **Memphis Made**, WEGR, 102.7FM, Rock 102.7, hosted by Catrina

#### **Mondays**

- Mondays, Noon- 1pm, **'Music Monday' webcast hosted by Donna Bowers**, Radio-Memphis webcast, <http://www.radio-memphis.com>
- Mondays, 9pm, **'Music on The Couch' webcast hosted by Vinny Marini**  
<http://www.blogtalkradio.com/musiconthecouch>
- Mondays (1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Mondays of each month), 6-8pm, **Memphis Music Mondays**, Hard Rock Café, 126 Beale St. (<http://www.MemphisMusicMatters.org>)

#### **Tuesdays**

- Tuesdays, 7pm, **Earl "The Pearl" Banks & The Peoples of the Blues**, Blues City Cafe, 138 Beale St.
- Tuesdays 8pm- 12am, **Don Valentine's 3- Piece Chicken & a Biscuit**, King's Palace Café's Tap Room, 162 Beale St.
- \*Every 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday monthly, **7-10pm, Royal Blues Band Big Jam, Jack Rowell, Jr.**, Lafayette's Music Room, 2119 Madison Ave. (\*the day of month is subject to change, call Lafayette's ahead of time to verify the jam date)

#### **Wednesdays**

- Wednesdays, 7-9pm, **Barbara Blue with Nat Kerr (piano), Robert Mache (guitar)**, Silky O'Sullivan's, 183 Beale St.
- Wednesdays, 7pm, **Elmo and the Shades**, Neil's Music Room, 5727 Quince Rd.
- Every Wed, 7-11pm, **PS Band (feat. Jonathan Ellison)**, B.B. King's Blues Club, Beale Street Wednesdays 8pm- 12am, **Don Valentine's 3- Piece Chicken & a Biscuit**, King's Palace Café's Tap Room, 162 Beale St.

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#### **Fridays**

- Fridays, 8-10am, **Blues Today**, WEVL89.9 FM (Memphis), Hosted by Chuck (<http://www.wevl.org>)
- Fridays, 7-9pm, **Barbara Blue with Nat Kerr (piano)**, Silky O'Sullivan's, 183 Beale St
- Fridays (seasonal), 7pm, **Delta Blues Winery, Re-Wine free music concert**. 6585 Stewart Rd., Lakeland, TN 38002 (phone 901-829-4685), Stewart Rd is south off TN Hwy 385, between Millington & Arlington, For more information: <http://deltablueswinery.com/news-events/>
- Fridays, 9pm, **Dreamland TV Show**, Comcast Channel 17, [www.ajedreamland.co/dreamlandtv.htm](http://www.ajedreamland.co/dreamlandtv.htm)

#### **Saturdays**

- First Saturdays each month, 10pm, **Don Valentine's 3- Piece Chicken & a Biscuit** featuring Booker Brown, Sane's Blues, Moscow, TN
- Saturdays 9am-Noon, **Blues At Sunrise with RJ Stone**, WRBQ 103.5FM (Memphis) <http://www.soulclassics.com/>
- Saturdays, 12:30- 430pm, **Flick's Picks (feat. Chris McDaniel)**, B.B. Kings Blues Club, Beale Street
- Saturdays, 5-9pm, **Earl "The Pearl" Banks & The Peoples of the Blues**, Blues City Cafe, 138 Beale St.
- Saturdays, 5-9pm, **Barbara Blue with Nat Kerr (piano)**, Silky O'Sullivan's, 183 Beale St
- Saturdays, 6-9pm, **Soul Stew**, WEVL, 89.9 FM (Memphis) Hosted by Brett (<http://www.wevl.org>)
- Saturdays, 8-10pm, **Billy's Blues**, WVZM, 100.3FM (streaming live at <http://www.WVZM.org>)  
Streaming is best way to listen unless you live in Memphis inside the I-240 loop and can get good reception. The show replays Sundays 9-11pm. Past episodes are also available on the free music app Mixcloud on demand. Each hour of the show is posted separately by the Saturday night date.

#### **4. VENUE, ARTIST SPECIFIC LIVE MUSIC & MUSIC RELATED EVENTS (listed in alphabetical order):**

##### **Acoustic Café First Fridays, Howard Vance Guitar Academy**

978 Reddoch Cove, Memphis, TN 38119, for reservations call: 901-767-6940

##### **CALL for Information**

**B.B. King's Blues Club**, 143 Beale Street, Memphis, TN 38103: <https://www.bbkings.com/memphis/music>

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**Blues City Café**, The Blues City Band Box, 142 Beale Street, Memphis, TN 38103:

<http://www.bluescitycafe.com/music/>



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**Buckman Arts Center at St. Mary's, 2020-2021 Events**



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**CENTER FOR SOUTHERN FOLKLORE**, 119 S. Main St (downtown Memphis)



#### **Center for Southern Folklore Stage- Schedule**

Contact the CfSF (see below) for the uniquely-Memphis performers scheduled to perform.

#### **Center for Southern Folklore**

119 S. Main St., Memphis, TN, 38103, phone: (901) 525-3655

E-mail: [info@southernfolklore.com](mailto:info@southernfolklore.com), Web: <http://www.southernfolklore.com>

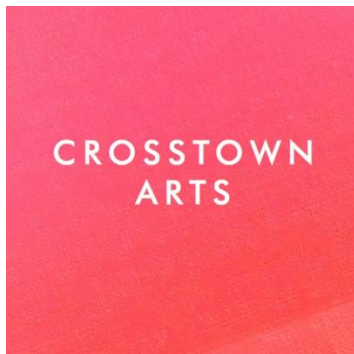
Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/southernfolklore/>

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#### **Concert's at the Green Room at Crosstown Arts, and Crosstown Arts Theater**

1350 Concourse Ave., Memphis, TN 38104, for more information and tickets: <http://www.crosstownarts.org>



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## Delta Blues Winery



### Delta Blues Winery Weekly Free Music Sunday Afternoons in the Tasting Room, and concerts outside Fridays 7-10pm (Seasonal)

Free Family Friendly events, bring a lawn chair & picnic basket. Please do not bring pets, beer, liquor, or wine. Wine is available by the tasting, glass or bottle in the tasting room.

**Delta Blues Winery, 6585 Stewart Rd., Lakeland, TN 38002** (phone 901-829-4685). Stewart Road is north of I-40 off TN Hwy 385 (between Millington & Arlington). For more info: <http://deltablueswinery.com/>

**CALL for Information.**

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### Mark Parsell Productions:

- **South Main Sounds**, 550 Main St
- **Hard Rock Café**, Beale St
- **Sunrise Memphis**, 670 Jefferson Ave
- **The Vault**, 124 G.E. Patterson
- **Loflin Yard**
- **Tin Roof**, 315 Beale St

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### RADIO-MEMPHIS BOOZE & BLUES SHOW WEBCAST, Sunday Evenings 8-11pm CT:



Listen to Radio-Memphis Live 24 hours/day at: <http://www.radio-memphis.com/listen>

You can also listen with the #FREEAPP for TuneIn Radio OR

Listen on ROKU and Apple TV with the #FREEAPP for Livestream.

Facebook: **Radio Memphis – Booze & Blues**

Listen for Memphis Blues Society musician tracks & guest interviews on the show.

Listen to previous show podcasts on demand at: <https://www.radio-memphis.com/podcasts/>

### In-Studio Booze & Blues Show LIVE Guest Musician Schedule (Sunday evenings 8-11pm CT):

**Due to COVID19 restrictions, all live in-studio music on the show is cancelled until further notice.**



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Stax Museum of American Soul Music, Events & Programs: <http://www.staxmuseum.com>



All music events & programs are FREE and open to the public.  
Unless noted otherwise, All programs held at 926 E. McLemore Ave All events listed are at:  
Stax Museum of American Soul Music, 926 E. McLemore Ave  
901-261-6338, [staxmuseum.com/events](http://staxmuseum.com/events)

**Due to COVID19 restrictions all Stax events are Postponed or cancelled until further notice. Refer to the Stax website above for details.**

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Rum Boogie Cafe, Rum Boogie Café's Blues Hall, King's Palace Café Tap Room, King's Palace Cafe Patio (seasonal), Mesquite Chop House, Spindini & Sleep Out Louie's:  
<http://www.eatdrinkboogie.com/live-music.html>

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#### AJE DREAMLAND PRODUCTIONS



#### AJE Dreamland Productions Schedule (<http://www.ajedreamland.co>)

- Every Friday night, 9pm, Comcast Channel 17 (Memphis), **Dreamland TV Show**. We're grateful and honored! We have 350,000+ customers. <http://www.ajedreamland.co/dreamlandtv.htm>

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Clarksdale, MS – Cat Head Delta Blues & Folk Arts, 252 Delta Ave., Clarksdale, MS. (<http://www.cathead.biz>)  
Mississippi's Blues Music Store, Be sure to visit!!

- Mississippi Delta Music Calendar: <http://www.cathead.biz/music-calendar>

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#### 5. Livestreaming Events and Resources

Support musicians during this difficult time: Donate, make an online virtual tip

Bandsintown: <https://www.bandsintown.com/>

Can't Stop The Blues: <https://www.cantstoptheblues.com/>

Eric Hughes, **Scrappie's Jukehouse**: evenings, 8pm CT: Search 'Scrappie's Jukehouse' on Facebook or visit Eric Hughes Band on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/EricHughesBand>

Levitt Shell, online virtual concert series: <http://levittshell.org>

Mario Monterosso: [www.facebook.com/marioedmount](http://www.facebook.com/marioedmount)

Wild Bill's Stay at Home livestreams:

- [https://www.facebook.com/pg/WildBillsMemphis/about/?ref=page\\_internal](https://www.facebook.com/pg/WildBillsMemphis/about/?ref=page_internal)
- [https://www.facebook.com/events/841374369708550/?event\\_time\\_id=841374393041881](https://www.facebook.com/events/841374369708550/?event_time_id=841374393041881)
- <https://wildbillsmemphis.com>

Women in Blues: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/nationalwomeninblues/events/>

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## 6. RESCHEDULED MUSIC & MUSIC RELATED EVENTS (Events Not Listed Above) Listed in date order

### APRIL 2020:

- **Levitt Shell** (live shows are postponed until further notice): check out the virtual online concert series: <http://www.levittshell.org>
- **Rescheduled: World Championship Hot Wing Festival**, Tiger Lane, Midsouth Fairgrounds
  - Moved to Fall 2020: **World Championship Hot Wing Festival**, Tiger Lane, for more information: <https://worldwingfest.com/>

### MAY 2020:

- **Levitt Shell** (live shows are postponed until further notice): check out the virtual online concert series: <http://www.levittshell.org>
- **Eric Hughes, Scrappie's Jukehouse** livestream event: evenings, 8pm CT, Search 'Scrappie's Jukehouse' on Facebook or visit Eric Hughes Band on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/EricHughesBand>
- **Rescheduled: Memphis In May Events** including Beale Street Music Festival, and World Championship Barbecue Cooking Contest are moved to fall 2020:
  - Sep 30- Oct 03, 2020: [World Championship Barbecue Cooking Contest](#)
  - Oct 16-Oct 18, 2020 [Beale Street Music Festival](#)
- Sun May 03, 2020, virtual **41<sup>st</sup> Blues Music Awards, livestream event**:
  - For a list of the 41<sup>st</sup> BMA Nominees and Winners visit: [https://blues.org/blues-music-awards/#\\_nominees](https://blues.org/blues-music-awards/#_nominees)
  - Watch an encore broadcast of the May 03, 2020, 41st Blues Music Awards at: [https://youtu.be/K7gl4Dz\\_E0o](https://youtu.be/K7gl4Dz_E0o)
- **Rescheduled: Kimbrough Cotton Patch Soul Blues Festival**, The Hut, Holly Springs, MS:
  - Sep 25-27, 2020 (tentative dates), **Kimbrough Cotton Patch Soul Blues Festival**
  - <https://kimbroughcottonpatchsoulbluesfestival.com/tickets/>



- Fri May 08 to Sun May 10, **Shelter at Home Blues Festival, livestream event**:
  - Fri May 08, Day 1: <https://www.facebook.com/events/533869904179870/>
  - Sat May 09, Day 2: <https://www.facebook.com/events/227707915129970/>

- Sun May 10, Day3: <https://www.facebook.com/events/229856001426189/>
  - Ticketing site (no tickets required) for all 3 days: <https://grcpac.yapsody.com/>
- Tue May 12, 8pm, **Mario Monterosso livestream event:** [www.facebook.com/marioedmount](http://www.facebook.com/marioedmount)
- Sun May 23, 3-7:30pm, **9<sup>th</sup> Oxford Blues Festival, livestream event**, Oxford, MS, <http://oxfordbluesfest.com/>
- **Rescheduled to 2021: Memphis Italian Festival**, Marquette Park
  - May 27-29, 2021, <http://www.memphisitalianfestival.com>

#### JUNE 2020:

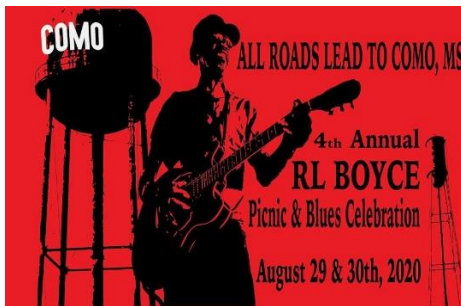
- Thu Jun 18, 7-11pm, **Larkin Poe w/Marcella & Her Lovers**, Minglewood Hall
  - **CALL ahead to verify this show.**
- Sun Jun 21, 4-8pm, **Watermelon Slim**, Huey's downtown
  - **CALL ahead to verify this show.**

#### JULY 2020:

- **Rescheduled to 2021: 28th Annual Cincy Blues Fest**, Schmidlapp Lawn, Cincinnati, OH,
  - Jul 17, 2021, <http://cincybluesfest.org>

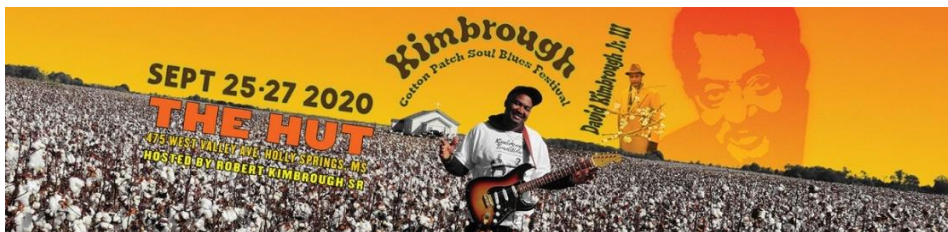
#### AUGUST 2020:

- Fri Aug 07, **Rev Horton Heat**, Hernado's Hideaway, 3210 Old Hernando Rd., Memphis, TN 38116



- Aug 29-30, **RL Boyce Picnic & Blues Celebration**, Como, MS, <https://rlboycepicnic.com/>

#### SEPTEMBER 2020:



- Sep 25-27, 2020 (tentative dates), **Kimbrough Cotton Patch Soul Blues Festival**
- Sep 30- Oct 03, 2020: [World Championship Barbecue Cooking Contest](#)

#### OCTOBER 2020:

- **Rescheduled to 2021:** Mempho Music Festival, Shelby Farms, for more information: <https://www.memphofest.com/>
- Sun Oct 04 (new date), 3-8pm, **Huey's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration**, Huey's Restaurants
- Oct 16-Oct 18, 2020 [Beale Street Music Festival](#), Tom Lee Park, downtown Memphis

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## 7. MEMPHIS & MID SOUTH VENUE ADDRESSES & WEBSITES:



- B.B. King's Blues Club, 143 Beale St: <http://bbkings.com/memphis/calendar/>
- Bar DKDC, 964 S. Cooper St., Memphis, TN 38104
- Blind Bear Speakeasy, 119 N. Main St: <http://www.blindbearmemphis.com/>
- Blue Note Bar & Grill, 341 Beale St., Memphis, TN: <http://www.bluenotebarandgrillinc.com>
- Blues City Café, 138 Beale St <http://www.bluescitycafe.com/>
- Center for Southern Folklore, 119 S. Main Street (Downtown Memphis) <http://www.southernfolklore.com>
- The Cove, 2559 Broad Ave: <http://www.thecovememphis.com>
- Delta Blues Winery, 6585 Stewart Rd., Lakeland, TN 38002: <http://deltablueswinery.com/newsevents/events-2/>
- Dirty Crow, 855 Kentucky St: <http://www.dirtycrowinn.com/>
- Jerry Lawler's Championship Restaurant and Bar, 159 Beale St.
- Ground Zero Blues Club, 0 Blues Alley, Clarksdale, MS: <http://www.groundzerobluesclubmusic.com/>
- Growlers, 1911 Poplar Avenue, Memphis, TN 38104
- Hernando's Hideaway, 3210 Old Hernando Rd., Memphis, TN 38116: <http://www.worldfamoushernandoshideaway.com>
- Hi-Tone Cafe, 412-414 N. Cleveland St: [www.hitonememphis.com](http://www.hitonememphis.com)
- Java Cabana Coffeehouse, 2170 Young Ave: <http://www.javacabanacoffeehouse.com>
- Jerry King Lawler's Hall of Fame Bar & Grill, 159 Beale St., Memphis, TN 38103
- Lafayette's, Music Room, 2119 Madison Ave: <http://www.lafayettesmusicroom.com/>
- Loflin Yard, 7 W. Carolina Ave: <http://www.loflinyard.com/>
- The Lounge at 3<sup>rd</sup> & Court, 24. N. B.B. King Blvd., Memphis, TN 38103
- King's Palace Cafe, 162 Beale St: <http://kingspalacecafe.com/>
- King's Palace Cafe's Tap Room, 168 Beale St: <http://memphistaproom.com>
- Murphy's, 1589 Madison Ave: [www.murphysmemphis.com](http://www.murphysmemphis.com)
- Neil's Music Room, 5725 Quince Rd: <http://www.neilsmusicroom.com/>
- P & H Cafe, 1532 Madison Ave: <http://www.pandhcafe>
- Railgarten, 2166 Central Ave: <http://www.railgarten.com/>
- Rum Boogie Cafe, Rum Boogie Café's Blues Hall, King's Palace Cafe Tap Room, and King's Palace
- Cafe Patio Schedules: <http://www.eatdrinkboogie.com/live-music.html>
- Silky O'Sullivan's, 183 Beale St: <http://silkyosullivans.com>
- Stax Museum of American Soul Music, 926 E. McLemore Ave: [www.staxmuseum.com/events](http://www.staxmuseum.com/events)
- The Stage Stop, 2951 Cela: <https://www.thestagestopmemphis.com/>
- Westy's, 346 N. Main St. (downtown Memphis): <http://www.westyismemphis.com/>

To view the complete Gig & Event Calendar, learn more about the Memphis Blues Society, become a member and to volunteer for the MBS, visit the MBS homepage: <http://www.memphisbluessociety.com/>  
 GET OUT AND SUPPORT LOCAL LIVE MUSIC & MUSICIANS, PAY THE COVER, BUY The MUSICIAN MERCH & MUSIC, DON'T FORGET TO TIP. Your help goes a long way with supporting the music & musicians!!

Please support and patronize the fine partners of the Memphis Blues Society:



