

## Birthday Blues

**Rosalie Hill** – This North Mississippi Hills Blues singer and guitarist was born on September 25, 1910, in Como, Mississippi located in the North Mississippi Hill Country and died at age 58 on October 22, 1968, Senatobia, Mississippi. Rosalie Hill (Rose Lee) was the daughter of Hill Country's blind musical patriarch Sid Hemphill. Rosalie's two sisters - Sidney and Virgie - also played as well as her niece Jesse Mae Hemphill (Virgie's daughter). Rosalie's father taught her to play guitar at age 6 and began performing at dances with her father by age 10. When her father died in 1961, Rosalie stopped playing for a few years to work as a share-cropper with her husband. When their home burned down, they moved to a shack. All of her life she lived in poverty. In 2006 Fat Possum records reissued her record Rosa Lee Hill and Friends.

*"The harder it get me, the higher I hold my head, See, I don't hold my head down and just grieve, I hold my head up. And that makes me feel better. See, if you fall, don't wallow, get up. And hold your head up. When it's hard for you, look up. Don't look down, look up. That's a good way to be, ain't it?"* - (recorded by George Mitchell)



Photo by Alan Lomax: Rosalie Hill (guitar) and her sister Sidney Hemphill on Fred McDowell's porch, Como, MS, 9/22/1959

## Leo

July 24- August 23:

8/1/53 – Robert Cray, Columbus, GA  
 8/1/57 – Diatra Farr, Chicago, IL  
 8/2/1844 – Pork Miller, Burkeville, VA  
 8/3/15 – Mercy Dee Walton, Waco, TX  
 8/3/62 – Joanna Connor, Brooklyn, NY  
 8/6/1900 – Willie Brown, Cleveland, MS  
 8/6/22 – Willie Nix, Memphis, TN  
 8/7/17 – Mose Vinson, Holly Springs, MS  
 8/7/23 – Jimmie Witherspoon, Gordon, AR  
 8/7/44 – Denny Freeman, Orlando, FL  
 8/8/62 – Deak Harp, New Jersey  
 8/8/1900 – Lucky Millinder, Anniston, AL  
 8/8/33 – Joe Tex, Rogers, TX  
 8/12/17 – Big Walter Price, Gonzales, TX  
 8/12/20 – Percy Mayfield, Minden, CA  
 8/12/52 – Terry "Big T" Williams, Farrell, MS  
 8/13/19 – Baby Boy Warren, Lake Providence, LA  
 8/13/21 – Jimmy McCracklin, St. Louis, MO  
 8/13/21 – Son Seals, Osceola, AR  
 8/16/28 – Eddie Kirkland, Dothan, AL  
 8/17/39 – Luther Allison, Widener, AR  
 8/18/28 – Barkin' Bill Smith, Cleveland, MS  
 8/19/36 – Little Johnny Christian, Cleveland, MS  
 8/21/31 – Roscoe Shelton, Lynchburg, TN  
 8/22/10 – Addie "Sweet Peas" Spivey, Houston, TX  
 8/22/11 – Kate McTell, Savannah, GA  
 8/22/17 – John Lee Hooker, Clarksdale, MS

## Virgo

August 24 – September 22:  
 8/23/1903 – Ruby Smith, New York, NY  
 8/24/1905 – Arthur "Big Boy" Crudup, Forest, MS  
 8/24/15 – Wynonie Harris, Omaha, NE  
 8/26/1902 – Jimmy Rushing, Oklahoma City, OK  
 8/28/1903 – Mary "Diamond Teeth Mary"

McClain, Logan City, WV  
 8/29/20 – Charlie Parker, Kansas City, KS  
 8/29/24 – Dinah Washington, Tuscaloosa, AL  
 8/30/13 – Olive Brown, St. Louis, MO  
 9/1/40 – Johnny Moore, West Point, MS  
 9/2/14 – Booker T. Laury, Memphis, TN  
 9/3/24 – Charlie Booker, Moorhead, MS  
 9/3/34 – Freddie King, Gilmer, TX  
 9/4/18 – Archie Edwards, Union Hall, VA  
 9/5/1907 – Albert "Sunnyland Slim" Laundrew, Vance, MS  
 9/6/36 – Ollie Nightingale, Batesville, MS  
 9/7/34 – Little Milton, Inverness, MS  
 9/10/25 – Roy Brown, New Orleans, LA  
 9/10/51 – Johnny Rawls, Purvis, MS  
 9/11/40 – Walter "Wolfman" Belfour, Holly Springs, MS  
 9/13/22 – Charles Brown, Texas City, TX  
 9/15/11 – Silas Hogan, Westover, LA  
 9/16/25 – BB King, Indianola, MS  
 9/16/26 – Fred Below, Chicago, IL  
 9/16/35 – Billy Boy Arnold, Chicago, IL  
 9/17/31 – Eddie Burks, Greenwood, MS  
 9/18/29 – Louis Myers, Byhalia, MS  
 9/19/1887 – Lovie Austin  
 9/20/30 – Eddie Bo, New Orleans, LA  
 9/22/55 – Hash Brown, Texas

## Libra

September 23 – October 22:

9/23/34 – Little Joe Blue, Vicksburg, MS  
 9/24/24 – Alden "Tarheel Slim" Bunn, Bailey, NC  
 9/25/10 – Rosa Lee Hill, Como, MS  
 9/25/36 – Booba Barnes, Longwood, MS  
 9/27/27 – George "Earring" Mayweather, Tilly's Mills, AL  
 9/28/10 – Houston Stackhouse, Wesson, MS  
 9/28/35 – Koko Taylor, Memphis, TN  
 9/30/30 – Eddie Bo, New Orleans, LA  
 9/30/35 – ZZ Hill, Naples, TX  
 9/30/51 – Sarah Brown, Evanston, IL



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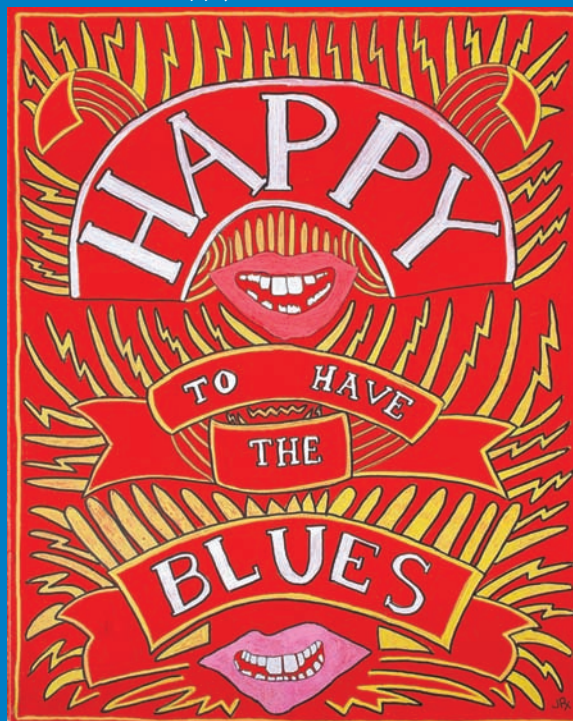
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## Big City Rhythm & Blues Magazine Sampler #35 - 2024

### Got My Mojo Working Again!

Been to Louisiana and got me a mojo hand and a John the Conqueror Root. Both are talismans used in the creation of a mojo. A good mojo can attract love, luck and energy. I have three John the Conquerors and they help me to get parking spaces in New York City and Chicago, a miracle indeed! In love you need mojo too. You must have your mojo going to attract love. I have been lucky for 25 years with Sugar.

"Got Mojo?" features my portrait of Muddy Waters at the Stovall Plantation near Clarksdale, Mississippi where he started and where he ended up at Chess Records in Chicago. One of my favorite Muddy Waters songs is "Got My Mojo Workin'" and has inspired this CD Sampler. Take Muddy's word for it and "Get your mojo workin'!"

"Got Mojo?" CD Sampler #35 helps the participating musicians to get their "Mojo Workin'" with their music on the sampler. "Got Mojo?" has artists from Mississippi, Pennsylvania, the UK, Florida, Saginaw, Michigan, Detroit, Indiana, Wisconsin, New Orleans, California and Burdickville, Michigan. Please support these hard working musicians, check-out their work on their websites and buy their music.

Thank-you for subscribing and I hope you enjoy "Got Mojo?" as much as we do. See you down the road, take the high road, if you come to a crossroads - take it, may the river be with you, may the wind be at your back, surf's up, mahola, aloha and don't forget to boogie.

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Larry McCray's title track, that memorializes his manager Paul Koch who died suddenly, is a classic.

#### 2. Bobby Rush

"I'm Free" (4:12)  
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www.bobbyrushbluesman.com



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#### 3. Larry McCray

"Blues Without You" (5:07)  
Blues Without You  
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"Nobody's Fault" (3:05)  
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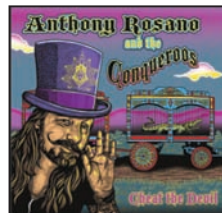
"Troubled Shoes" (5:04)  
Detroit Blues Factory Vol. 1  
Blues Factory Records  
The Billy Davis Rhythm Machine Band FB



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#### 6. Anthony Rosano and the Conquerors

"Rosanita" (4:44)  
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ablues train.com



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"Last Call For The Blues" (4:04)  
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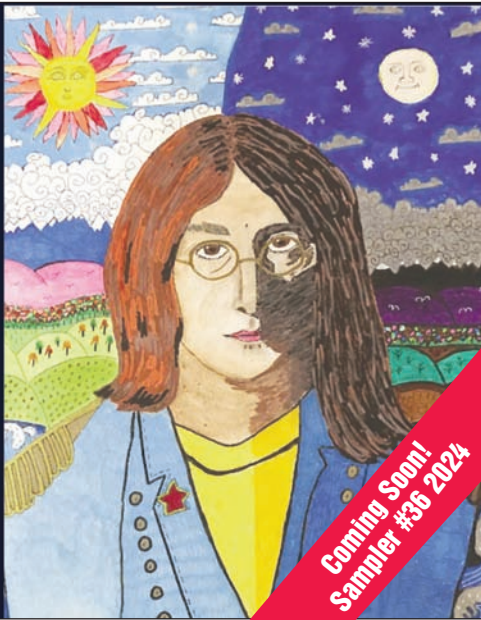


Highway Blues Band's infectious music will put a spell on you and get you up and feeling good.

#### 11. Paul Filipowicz

"Old Time Superstition" (4:06)  
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"One Hit Blunder (3:43)  
*Bob's Birthday Concert*  
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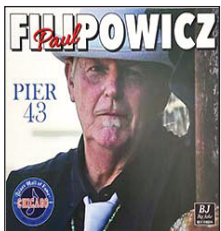
brought them together and are ready now to start making some trouble with their tongue-in-cheek lyrics.

**18. Joey Gilmore**  
"I Got The Blues," (4:19)  
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Joey Gilmore FB  
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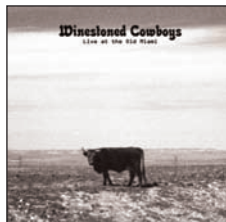
Rare Union's new "Time They Always Change" is their second release – a percussion-driven blues rock gem.

**14. Winestoned Cowboys**  
"Little Failure" (3:48)  
*Live At The Old Miami*

**15. Burdickville Boys**  
"Leave My Water Alone" (3:07)  
*Leave My Water Alone*  
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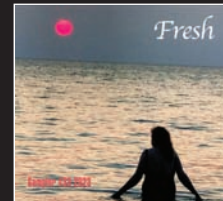
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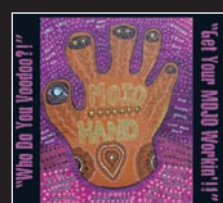
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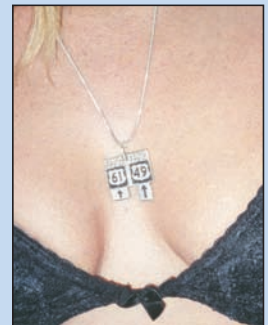
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**Baker Brooks brothers - Wayne & Ronnie kicking off the Chicago Blues Fest! 6/6/24**

## And I Ain't Lyin'!

After driving 5 hours from Detroit, Sugar arrived just in time to find a perfect parking spot across the street in front of the historic **Ramova Theatre**, 3520 S. Halsted St. for the **2024 Chicago Blues Festival** kick off on June 6th with **Ronnie Baker Brooks** and **Shemekia Copeland**. The Ramova Theatre first opened in 1929 and closed in 1985. Newly reopened in the

**High energy Mr. Sipp got everyone on their feet as he danced through the Jay Pritzker Pavillion, Chicago Blues Fest, 6/7/24.**



Bridgeport community on the South Side of Chicago, the Ramova Theatre got a lot of help from developers **Tyler and Emily Nevius** who live nearby and took the reins in backing the Ramova's rehabilitation. Sugar had a front row seat and enjoyed every minute. Chicago Blues Fest's biggest blues fan and emcee **Tom Marker** began the show with **Ronnie Baker Brooks** who is always a showstopper working the crowd with his hot guitar

**Herman Hines, Chicago Blues Festival, 6/8/24**



**Shemekia Copeland, Chicago Blues Fest, Ramova Theater, 6/6/24**

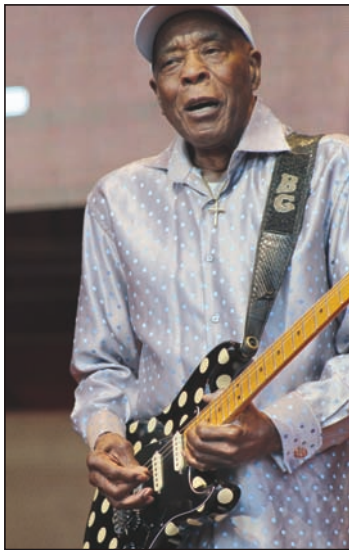
and bringing his blues brothers **Wayne Baker Brooks** and **Billy Branch** to join him on stage. At intermission Sugar was surprised to find **Kingfish** just hanging out in the lobby taking photos with fans. Up next was the stunning 45-year-old vocalist **Shemekia Copeland**, who once lived in the Windy City. She did not disappoint as she brought it - her very soulful organic blues - to a very appreciative audience. After the show Sugar drove by the **White Sox** ballpark and got on the freeway and again found a perfect parking spot right in front of **Reggie's** where an All-Star

**Toranzo Cannon & Mike Wheeler! Chicago Blues Festival, 6/8/24**



**Corey Harris opening up an evening of blues at the Chicago Blues Fest's Jay Pritzker Pavilion, 6/7/24.**

Harmonica Blast was happening. Then she met **Bob O Walesa** at **Buddy Guy's Legends** to help her distribute 50 boxes of magazines during the Chicago Blues Festival to various clubs around the city. Sugar began the next morning at the secured Millennium Park at noon where she walked from the Millennium garage to the Chicago Blues Festival's **Visit Mississippi Juke Joint Stage** that **Nora Jean Wallace** kicked off then Sugar caught **Lil' Jimmy Reed, Keith Johnson & The Big Muddy Band** and **Luke Pytel Band** with **Laretha Weathersby**. It was a beautiful evening at the modern stainless steel ribboned **Jay Pritzker Pavillion** with **Corey Harris, Mr. Sipp** and **The Jimmy Rogers Centennial Tribute** began with **Kim Wilson, Jimmy D. Lane, Kenny "Boss Blues" Wayne, Bob Margolin, Dr. Sebastian Lane, Felton Crews** and **Kenny "Beedy Eyes" Smith**.



**Buddy Guy's last Chicago Blues Fest, 6/9/24**

On Saturday Sugar saw **Mzz Reese and Reese's Pieces, Al Spears & The Hurricane Project with Herman Hines, Vino Louden, Melvin Taylor, Southern Avenue, Vanessa Collier featuring Laura Chavez** and a grand **Centennial Tribute to Dinah Washington**. After the festival Sugar found and stopped in at the newly-renovated South Side club **Lee's Unleaded** with **Lil' Ed & The Blues Imperials**. On Sunday it was a big crowd for Chicago Blues Fest's headliner **Buddy Guy**. So, Sugar found a shady spot and listened to the **Southern Komfort Brass Band** and **Jonathan Ellison & The RAS Blues Band**. Sugar got to her seat early for an exciting evening of blues beginning with a **Centennial Tribute to Otis Spann** featuring **Johnny Iguana, Roosevelt Purifoy, Ric "Miss Lee" Kanehira,**

**Robert Randolph, Blues On The Fox, Aurora, IL 6/14/24**



**Roosevelt Purifoy performed for the Centennial Tribute to Otis Spann with Kenny "Beedy Eyes," peeking over the piano, Chicago Blues Fest, 6/9/24.**

**Sumito "Ariyo" Ariyoshi, Oscar Wilson, Bob Stroger, Billy Flynn and Kenny "Beedy Eyes" Smith** followed by the **Cash Box Kings**. Then the big finale of the weekend, (and it was an overwhelming standing-room-only crowd for 88-year-old) **Buddy Guy's** last performance at the Chicago Blues Fest. Mr. Guy always surrounds himself with great musicians - not only his band but also joining him this evening was **Ronnie Baker Brooks, Shemekia Copeland, Billy Branch and Wayne Baker Brooks**.

The next weekend Sugar managed to rally to drive 6 hours to set up a **Big City Rhythm & Blues Magazine's** booth at the **Blues on The Fox in Aurora, IL** next to the Fox River with the historic Leland

Hotel towering in the distance, the festival featured **Toranzo Cannon, Robert Randolph, Wayne Baker Brooks, Guy King, Joanne Shaw Taylor and Big Head Todd and The Monsters**. Thank-you **David Glynn** and **Jim Jarvis** for setting up a jumbo screen toast to **Robert Jr. Whitall** and thanks to **Bob O Walesa** and **Paula Staiger** for your help too! And thank you to all of the wonderful Blues on The Fox happy fans for subscribing! Subscribe now at [www.bigcityblues-mag.com](http://www.bigcityblues-mag.com)

**Love & happiness, Sugar Mae**

**Joanne Shaw Taylor is from Britain's Black Country, Blues On The Fox, Aurora, IL 6/15/24.**



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**Big Head Todd loves playing the blues at the Blues On The Fox, Aurora, IL, 6/15/24**



**Lil' Ed at the newly renovated Lee's Unleaded, Chicago, IL, 6/8/24**



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