

20th Annual

River City Blues Competition

February 17 & 18, 2012

Hotel Lafayette, Marietta OH

1st preliminary \$10/\$15 m/nm Fri. 8-11 PM
2nd preliminary \$15/\$20 m/nm Sat. 12-6 PM
Finals \$15/\$20 m/nm Sat. 8:00-11:30 PM
\$25/\$40 m/nm Weekend Pass

The Blues, Jazz & Folk Music Society of Marietta, Ohio announce their **20th annual River City Blues Competition**, the oldest and largest blues talent competition in the state of Ohio. Past participants have come from New York,

Ohio, West Virginia, Michigan, Kentucky, Indiana, and Pennsylvania. They compete for sponsorship to the **International Blues Challenge** (IBC). The first place winner of **The River City Blues Competition** in 2012 will receive \$1200 dollars in cash and BJFM sponsorship to the **IBC** in Memphis early in 2013 where they will gain valuable exposure to record label A&R representatives and Blues industry professionals and festival promoters capable of real career advancement for a serious blues musician.

Second place winner will receive \$600 in cash and third place winner will receive \$300 in cash. There will be 15 slots in the competition this year. The big winners, however, are the blues fans who enjoy a weekend of great blues entertainment rarely available in Southeast Ohio at a bargain price. Marietta has set the stage for the other competitions that exist in the state. One of the things that makes the Marietta competition unique is that it has no geographic restrictions and is open to serious Blues acts from anywhere. That is why **The River City Blues Competition** pulls talent from many states. The Blues is an **attitude** and state of mind, not confined to a geographical area.

Doors open one hour before showtime. For passes, tickets or info call Mary Ann Osborne 304-422-2944 or Peggy at 740-376-0222 (evenings). VISA/MasterCard/Discover accepted. We will hold your tickets/passes at the door for you to pick up when you arrive.

Timeslot	Artist	From
Friday, February 17 First Preliminary		
8-8:20 pm	Silverhorse (4 pc. Band)	Marietta OH
8:30-8:50	Chaz Humley and the Effects (4 pc. Band)	Teays Valley WV
9-9:20	Big Al & The Capital City Players (4 pc. Band)	Columbus OH
9:30-9:50	Scott Horn (Solo)	Akron OH
10-10:20	Mojo Theory (5 pc. Band)	Columbus OH
Saturday, February 18 Second Preliminary		
12:30-12:50 pm	Appalachian Criminals (5 pc. Band)	Vienna WV
1-1:20	Wade and The Mojo Blues (4 pc. Band)	Columbus OH
1:30-1:50	Luther Trammell (Solo)	Elyria OH
2-2:20	Vinnie Mele (4 pc. Band)	Marietta OH
2:30-2:50	Mack Jump (Solo)	Indianapolis IN
3-3:20	The Tee Dee Young Band (5 pc. Band)	Lexington KY
3:30-3:50	Elm Street Blues Band (4 pc. Band)	Willoughby OH
4-4:20	Gary Applegate (Solo)	Indianapolis IN
4:30-4:50	Bourbon Dan and The Chasers (4 pc. Band)	Columbus OH
5-5:20	Magic Mama Band (5 pc. Band)	Gallipolis OH

Dinner Break @ approximately 6-8 pm/"Finals" start @ 8 pm

Overdrive...



By Cobbler John

Hello 2012. Goodbye 2011. The BJFM Board has been very busy lately planning our 2 biggest events - Blues Competition, Feb. 17 & 18 and River City Blues Festival, March 16 & 17. This year's competition has 15 very competitive acts. If you attend you will agree. Once again the River City Blues Festival is very diverse with many shades of blue, something for everyone. Look for complete Festival info in our next newsletter, a few weeks from now, or go to bjfm.org and visit the Festival page to find out about the performers.

As president for 23 years of BJFM I am turning over the booking of the Friday and Saturday night shows of the Festival to John Gifford, our Competition Director and Helen Holt, Board Member. I will continue to book the Saturday Matinee. My interest has always been Folk Music and Blues is only a part of the folk process. There is so much more "people's" music I would like to bring to you. On our list for 2012 is a coffee house, once a month, where musicians can have a stage and present the music they are passionate about to the public. We envision a low cost event with local and regional acts, mostly acoustic, at a local establishment. Lori & Bob at Daydreams Café on Putnam Street have indicated they would be receptive to this idea. With the backing of the BJFM Board of Directors I will be laying the framework for this event after the Blues Festival in March.

I would like to thank all the members who came out and supported Swamp Stomp back in November 2011. Jeffrey Broussard was great, the dance floor was full, the bar did well and everybody had a Zydeco experience. We regret that the doors did not open as publicized, as the band was running behind at sound check. The Adelphia did not know what to expect on a Sunday and neither did we. The staff that was there worked very hard to accommodate our crowd and made things right. How about a Cajun band this year? If you have any ideas on American or World music, please give me a call at 740-376-0222. Stay motivated in 2012 and continue to support live music.

Marietta Brewing Company 167 Front Street, Marietta
Phone 740-373-BREW

Sat. Feb. 18, 10 pm - 2 am - open mike blues jam with Matt First.
The Marietta Brewing Company is known for hand crafted micro brewed beer and excellent brew pub food. The kitchen is open on Fri. & Sat. from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m.

Holiday Inn 701 Pike Street, Marietta 740-374-9660
Ask for the special Blues rate. \$46 + tax.

Over the Moon Pizzeria
107 Front Street, Marietta - Phone 740-373-4000
Limited late night menu and \$2 discount for folks attending the Competition.

The Adelphia - 203 Second Street, Marietta - Phone 740-374-8278
Fri. Feb. 17 Vinnie & The Lubricators Blues Jam and Free Band 9 pm-12 am
Saturday, Feb. 18 Hit Parade - 9:30 p.m.
Limited late night menu during Competition & Festival





PO Box 2122
Marietta OH 45750

BJFM Membership Application

BJFM Membership includes notices and discounts for all shows. Fill out and mail with check or money order to: BJFM, PO Box 2122, Marietta OH 45750.

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

of persons _____ X \$15 = Total Due \$ _____

Membership good for 1 yr. from month of purchase. We'll mail you your card(s)

Please check if you want Bi-weekly e-mail update (local/regional blues info)

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March 16 & 17 21st Annual River City Blues Festival - Hotel Lafayette

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15 acts compete at the
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101 Front Street
Marietta, Ohio



*Photo of 2011 winners Ray Fuller
Blues Band taken by Dusty Scott.*

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