



**Mississippi Gulf Coast Blues Commission, Inc.  
P.O. Box 1129, Gautier, MS 39553**



7/21/2016

Dear Friends of MS Gulf Coast Blues Commission,

For nearly 25 years, the Mississippi Gulf Coast Blues Commission, Inc., a 501 (c) 3 non-profit organization, has sought to preserve Blues music's passionate and rich heritage by providing family-oriented entertainment during its Annual Blues and Heritage Festival. This year is especially important because The Commission celebrates its 25th year "Silver Anniversary".

Another reason it's so special this year is because the Commission and Jackson County Fairgrounds are being commemorated with a Mississippi Blues Trail Marker. Yes, Jackson County will receive its first Blues Trail Marker and will be advertised as a designated stop on the Blues Trail. The Trail attracts blues fans from around the globe.

To help fund this year's event and to preserve the rich Blues heritage for generations to come, we are asking for support from local businesses and individuals. A portion of the proceeds from the Festival is used to support youth organizations. This year our goal is to present a \$1000.00 scholarship to a promising music student.

Please save the date for this "Coast Wide" event! The commemoration ceremony will be at the Jackson County Fairgrounds in Pascagoula, MS, Friday, September 9, 2016 @ 12:00 noon.

We hope we can count on your financial support and attendance at the **25th Annual Silver Anniversary** of the **Blues and Heritage Festival Saturday, September 10, 2016 gates open at 12:00 noon, show time 1:00 p.m.** For more information, please call or email me at 228-282-0951 or [powens1257@icloud.com](mailto:powens1257@icloud.com).

Yours in preserving the legacy of Blues music,

*Phyllis Owens*

Phyllis Owens, President  
Mississippi Gulf Coast Blues Commission, Inc.

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## 2016 ANNUAL BLUES FESTIVAL

### LEVEL AND SPONSORSHIP BENEFITS

LEVEL	Platinum	Gold	Silver	Bronze
CONTRIBUTION (min)	\$5000	\$2500	\$1000	\$500
SPONSORSHIP LEVELS AVAILABLE	Four	Unlimited	Unlimited	Unlimited
NO OF FESTIVAL TKTS	12	8	5	3
BANNER STAGE AREA	Selected	Prominent	Inner	Outer
BOOTH SPACE	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
PROGRAM AD	Full Page	Full Page	Full Page	Full Page
NAME ON FLYERS	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
MENTION IN PRESS	Yes	Yes	Yes	No

Your sponsorship is critical to the success of the Blues Festival; please show your support by being a sponsor. Thanks for your consideration of our request for sponsorship.

### 2016 Mississippi Gulf Coast Blues & Heritage Festival Sponsorship Benefits Form

( ) Platinum \$ \_\_\_\_\_ ( ) Gold \$ \_\_\_\_\_ ( ) Silver \$ \_\_\_\_\_ ( ) Bronze \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsor's name \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

Name of person to contact \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Fax ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Please make your check payable to Mississippi Gulf Coast Blues Commission, Inc., and send this completed form with the check to:

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For further information contact Phyllis Owens (228) 282-0957 [powens1257@icloud.com](mailto:powens1257@icloud.com) or Addie Brent (228-497-5493)



**MISSISSIPPI GULF COAST  
BLUES COMMISSION, INC.  
PRESENTS**

**25th YEAR - "SILVER ANNIVERSARY"**

**A DESIGNATED MISSISSIPPI BLUES TRAIL STOP**  
Unveiling Ceremony - Fri., Sept. 9 at 12 noon

# **BLUES & HERITAGE**

## *Festival*

### **SATURDAY, SEPT 10, 2016**

**Gates Open at Noon**

**Showtime 1:00 p.m.**

**JACKSON COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS**

2902 Shortcut Rd., Pascagoula, MS

**SEE DIRECTIONS ON BACK**



## **Entertainers:**



Eddie Cotton, Jr. - "*Baby Please Don't Go*"

Mark "Muleman" Massey - "*One Step Ahead of the Blues*"

Kent Burnside - "*My World is So Cold*"

Yazoo Bayou Band - "*Further on Up the Road*"

Simone De - "*Feel So Good*"

Lil Jimmie - "*Closing the Door*"

Hosted by: Nikki DeMarks 104.1 Radio Personality WDLT

### **SPONSORS:**

Chevron of Pascagoula

City of Pascagoula

Jackson County Board of Supervisors

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### **JACKSON COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS**

Under the Covered Pavilion

(Located behind Singing River Hospital)

PASCAGOULA, MISSISSIPPI

(Directions from Exit 68 on I-10: Travel South on Hwy. 613/Telephone Road towards Moss Point/Pascagoula; turn left onto Hospital Road & turn left onto Vega St.)

**Kids 13 and under Enter Free**



### **TICKET PRICES:**



Advance - \$20.00

Day of Show - \$25.00

No Outside Food Allowed on Fairgrounds

**(STRICTLY ENFORCED)**

**Vendors Available**

**Bring Your Cooler - NO GLASS**

*Bring Your Lawn Chairs*

### **FOR MORE INFORMATION**

*(Tickets, Vendor Space, T-shirts, Group Ticket Sales)*

#### **CONTACT:**

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**OR VISIT WEBSITE AT**

[www.MSGulfCoastBluesFest.com](http://www.MSGulfCoastBluesFest.com)

### **TICKET OUTLETS**

- Vernon Gilbert Elks Lodge, Biloxi, MS
- Taylor-Harris Drug Store, Gulfport, MS
- Byrd's Music Store, Moss Point, MS
- Maynard's Music, Ocean Springs, MS
- S & G Groceries, Mobile, AL
- Elaine's The Place To Be, Gulfport, MS
- Northside Check Exchange, Mobile, AL
- C&T Package Store, Mobile, AL