

Next Week (June 26, 2018) **Tommy Bentz Band**

Some may say that Bentz's greatest asset is his confident and mature electric slide guitar style. Others insist that his insightful lyrics and adept layering of sound are what keep them coming back for more. With four full-length albums thus far, Bentz is a musician with spirit, drive, and unmatched ability. TBB's distinct blend of Southern jamstyle Blues rock and singer/songwriter lyricism, combined with nuances of jazz, classical, and progressive performance, create an intense - yet immediately accessible - musical experience.









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Shows begin at 6:30 In case of inclement weather, Tuesday Night Blues is held at the Stones Throw, 304 Eau Claire St.

May 29: Paul Tweed Band

June 5: Code Blue featuring Catya & Sue

June 12: Squishy Mud

June 19: Brian Naughton Band

June 26: Tommy Bentz Band

July 3: Mark Cameron Band

July 10: Mojo

July 17: Howard 'Guitar' Luedtke & Blue Max

July 24: Whyte-Orfield Band

July 31: Nick Foytik

August 7: South Farwell (at Phoenix Park)

August 14: Left Wing Bourbon

August 21: Joyann Parker

August 28: Charlie Parr

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Tuesday Night MUNICERSARY Bluesletter

June 19, 2018 at Owen Park

Brian Naughton





Recording artist, singer/songwriter, and guitarist **Brian**Naughton possesses a signature sound which is driven by
an energetic mix of Blues, rock, funk, and soul. Although
based in MN, Naughton's wails, croons, and emotion emanate from
the heart of the deep South.

Third-generation musician Naughton picked up his first guitar at age seven, discovering a love of all three Kings - Albert, Freddie, and B.B. Adapting tricks of the trade by studying Lonnie Knight, Tim Waters, and Gus Dewey, Naughton was also influenced by T-Bone Walker, Albert Collins, and Robert Johnson. Naughton's expression, raw inflection, and unique guitar riffs interpret and ressurect the bold flavors of Hendrix, Stevie Ray Vaughan, and Johnny Winter. Over the years, Naughton has continued to push the limits of genre and soul... and has yet to set down his guitar.

Naughton has built a reputation as one of the foremost guitarists in the Twin Cities. He's shared the stage with Buddy Guy, Lonnie Brooks, and Luther Allison, performing at local and national events. With his adept vocals and flying fingers, Naughton expands

> the definitions and expectations of music in all its forms, and will leave you wanting to hear more.

A return to the recording studio is currently in the works, with an album release planned for Fall of 2018. Naughton's latest work is geared to expose more of his music's soul, funk, and passion.

When not in the studio, the Brian Naughton Band performs at festivals and local venues throughout the Minneapolis/St. Paul area.



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A Little About the Blues

"With a shoot-from-the-hip Memphis attitude, and a STAX-busting explosion of modern Blues vision, **Ghost Town Blues Band** represents a welcome changing of the guard." ~ Living Blues Magazine

"The Ghost Town Blues Band has one foot in Memphis and the other in New Orleans. The band is led by **Matt Isbell** (guitars, harmonica, vocals, songwriting). The horn section, comprising **Kevin Houston** (sax and vocals) and **Suavo Jones** (trombone and vocals), gives GTBB a New Orleans vibe. The seven-piece band is rounded out by **Taylor Orr**, (guitar and vocals), **Cedric Taylor** (keyboards), **Matt Karner** (bass), and **Preston McEwen** (drums).

GTBB is famous for their exciting live performances. They capitalize on their New Orleans connection by including covers, segueing in and out of them like they do down in The Big Easy. " [Adapted from Richard Ludmerer's review in Making A Scene Magazine.]

Not your grandpa's blues band, the GTBB live show has been captivating audiences in the U.S. and Canada with everything from a second-line horn entrance, cigar box guitars, and electric push broom, to Allman Brothers-style jams, and even a hip-hop trombonist. Horns, harmonies and homegrown instruments, combined with an energetic and roots-rich festival set, make Ghost Town Blues Band one of the must-see live bands on the circuit today. McNeill behind the drums along with Karner on the bass are a punishing rhythm section, backing multi-instrumentalist/frontman Isbell's raunchy cigar box guitar licks and raspy "Dr. John-like, whiskey and gravel-soaked" vocals. The grooves go from funky to "funk-nasty."

"GTBB shows what can happen when the past is distilled through young sensibilities, voices, and instruments. This is 21st century Blues at its best." ~ Living Blues Magazine

WAMI Award-winning (Blues and Guitar) **Ghost Town Blues Band** will be appearing at **Blues On The Chippewa** on August 7th.

In 2016, Ghost Town Blues Band performed across North America at over 24 festivals, and have 25 festivals and 12 international tours booked for 2017/2018.





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