



What are "The Blues"?

Blues music is a uniquely American art form based in African and European traditions. Unlike other types of music, The Blues were born here, in the United States, and are the basis for all other popular music styles today.

This music encompasses tradition, crosses all race, gender, and age barriers, and appeals to the soul of all. We hope you'll want to learn a bit more about it and enable this music to live on.

Here are some website resources we recommend for young children.

www.blues4kids.com

Learn all about the instruments used to play The Blues! Get lessons and music here.

www.mudcat.org/kids/

Learn how to make your own Blues instruments.

www.gamusichall.com

Georgia Music Hall of Fame. Learn about Georgia's history role in Blues History. Going to Macon? Make a stop at the GA Music Hall Of Fame and check out the interactive kids' exhibit!

www.childrensmusic.org

Great resource to learn about ALL types of music.

The following recordings are a great introduction to the Blues for all ages.

Big Blues – Blues Music For Kids

Compilation featuring many of today's biggest names in Blues, including BB King, Taj Mahal, and The Fabulous Thunderbirds.

Even Kids Get The Blues – The Rebops featuring Bonnie Raitt

Creative Blues performed by and for children.

Here are some resources we recommend for parents.

Read all about it: *(recommended books)*

Blues Keeping The Faith - *Keith Shadwick*
Bill Wyman's Blues Odyssey - *Bill Wyman*
Little Blues Book - *Brian Robertson*
Conversations With The Blues - *Paul Oliver*
Blues For Dummies - *Robert Gately*

Chasin' That Devil Music – *Gayle Dean Wardlow*
The Blues Makers - *Samuel Charters*
Mississippi The Blues Today - *Robert Nicholson*
Deep Blues - *Robert Palmer*

Surf the Blues: *(recommended websites)*

www.atlantablues.org
www.absbluescast.org
www.blues.org
www.musicmaker.org
http://thebluehighway.com
www.bluesaccess.com
www.mudcat.org

The Atlanta Blues Society
ABS Bluescast...blues web radio
The Blues Foundation
Music Maker Relief Foundation
The Blue Highway (history, links, reviews, etc.)
Blues Access Magazine
Mudcat Café Magazine

HEAR The Blues: *(Blues on local radio)*

www.absbluescast.org Atlanta Blues Society Webcast 24 hrs/7 days

WRFG-FM 89.3	Good Morning Blues Monday –Friday, 6am – 10am
WREK-FM 90.1	Friday Night Fish Fry – Fridays, 6pm – 8pm
WCLK-FM 91.9	Saturday Morning Blues Show with the Deacon Sat. 9am – 12noon
KISS-FM 104.1	Blues Time In The City with Rojene Bailey Sundays 4pm – 7pm

Did you know? That the United States Congress officially declared 2003 The Year Of The Blues?