

Wayne Russell

Bass & Vocals



Artist, Musician Wayne Russell was born in Pontotoc, Mississippi to parents who picked cotton on family land. Both his mother and father came from homes where music was a part of daily life. Most of his family members played and sang in church as well as community gatherings.

At the age of 5, Wayne and his family moved from Mississippi to Memphis Tennessee where Wayne's love of art and music blossomed. He fondly remembers receiving art supplies and guitars each Christmas during his childhood, and by the time he completed High School he was voted most talented student.

Wayne has been a core member of the band since it was conceived. He writes a lot of the original songs the band performs and is one of the best bassists in the Mid-South area.

He has worked with such great artists as : *Tracy Nelson, Barbara Blue, Don McMinn, Mojo Buford, Rick Christian, Jimmy Jamison, Jack Rowell...* When you hear him play, you have heard one of the best.

Robert Nighthawk Tooms

Harp & Keys



Robert Nighthawk Tooms is a 30-year veteran of Beale Street and the Blues, starting with The Reba Russell Band in 1991, and he records and writes music with his band, THE WAMPUS CATS. He is endorsed by the Hammond-Suzuki organ company, makers of the B-3.

Discography

- The Reba Russell Band - Going on Strong
- The Reba Russell Band - Buried Treasure
- The Reba Russell Band - City of the Blues
- Blind Mississippi Morris - Back Porch Blues
- The Memphis Sheiks - Slow-Cooked Pig Meat
- The Memphis Sheiks - Diamond in the Bluff
- The Memphis Sheiks - Up to No Good, Again
- Eddie Juke - It's a Memphis Thang! (UK)
- Big Bill Morganfield - Nineteen Years Old (Germany)
- Willie Foster, Henry Townsend, Fred Sanders, Blind Mississippi Morris Live in St. Louis
 - Willie Foster - People Talk Too Much
- Robert Nighthawk II and the Wampus Cats - Toastin' the Blues
 - Wally Ford & the Lizard Kings - Crawling like a Lizard
 - The "M" Clan - The M Clan (Spain)
 - Carol Plunk - A Piece of Me
- Blind Mississippi Morris - Live at the BBC! Paul Jones Show (UK)
 - Tom Hackenberger and Friends - Memphis Music Sampler
 - Barbara Pittman - First Lady of Sun Records
 - Reverend Horton Heat - 706 Union Avenue