# MARK HUMMEL & THE BLUES SURVIVORS

BLUES HARMONICA BLOWOUT® SERIES

Since 1991 Mark has been both producing and performing at his annual Blues Harmonica Blowout series. These shows have grown to be a much-heralded event and continue to draw sellout crowds wherever they appear!





#### WHAT THE CRITICS ARE SAYING:

"What is unique about the thing we're doing is the caliber of the players involved" says Magic Dick, 61, formerly of the J. Giels Band. "I'm not just referring to the harmonica players involved but also the Blues Survivors. They're a really excellent band. And being involved with Lee Oskar, Jerry Portnoy and Mark has been a real joy...."

**LEE HILDEBRAND - SF Chronicle** 

It was a night of camaraderie, a brotherhood of the blues, an evening of steady grooves and major storms. The place was jammed with real people playing real music, not a tuxedo in sight .....BB King's was treated to a rare evening of alchemy where the wind howled *indoors!* 

**BILL VITKA - Blues Revue July '07** Review of Blowout at NYC BB King's show w/ Charlie Musselwhite, MH & Kim Wilson

The Blowout culminated with a tradeoff between six harp greats: Kenny Neal, Billy Boy Arnold, Lee Oskar, Mark Hummel, Kaz Kazanoff and Billy Branch, each blowing a stunning solo before ending together in perfect time and bringing the crowd to their feet for a standing ovation.

JEREMY LOOME - Edmonton Sun

(Hummel) A specialist in the West Coast blues, knows more then a thing or two about how to please an audience. He's the driving force behind this show, which features Jerry Portnoy, who's played with Muddy Waters, Pinetop Perkins and Eric Clapton, Magic Dick, J. Giles's sidekick and Lee Oskar of WAR.

**NEW YORKER** 

... Hummel and crew packed the house for all six shows. This year's Blowout featured five sensational harp men-Hummel, Fabulous Thunderbird Kim Wilson, Little Charlie and the Nightcat's, frontman Rick Estrin, Chicago legend Billy Boy Arnold, and West Coast Swing Champ Rod Piazza. These players all have individual sounds and they charmed the crowd in their own way ...

JIM HARRINGTON - Oakland Tribune

## **CONTACT INFO**

**BOOKING: Blue Mountain Artists** 

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## The list of participants is a Who's Who of Blues Harp history!

(in alphabetical order)

Billy Boy Arnold Carey Bell Billy Branch Norton Buffalo James Cotton Paul deLay Johnny Dyer Magic Dick Rick Estrin Steve Guyger James Harman Lazy Lester Huey Lewis John Mayall Charlie Musselwhite
Sam Myers
Kenny Neal
Paul Oscher
Lee Oskar
Rod Piazza
Jerry Portnoy
Gary Primich
Snooky Pryor
Curtis Salgado
Fingers Taylor
Kim Wilson
Rusty Zinn
& more!



## **Blues Harmonica Blowout ® Series**

All the acts except the acoustic duos are backed by the Blues Survivors and are available to either tour through or fly in to your event.

Please contact Mark Hummel to inquire about available Harmonica Blowout Packages.

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