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The Minner Blues Club Starts 2018 Season:

May will be jumpin' in Rentiesville!

Every Sunday Jam Sessions at 4 – 9 pm and

First weekend of May

MINI FEST-fundraiser, 8 bands – Saturday May 5, Sunday May 6 and

Last Saturday of May

OKLAHOMA BLUES HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES

– Induction set for Saturday May 26th



SAVE THE DATE!
SAT & SUN MAY 5 - 6!
 D.C. MINNER MEMORIAL MINI FEST
 SEASON OPENER 2 DAY PARTY
 Celebrating the Music, Life and Legacy of a Rentiesville Legend

APPEARING:
 BEBO McDANIEL
 CeCe
 PAT MOSS
 ERIC Lil Bro WALKER
 SELBY MINNER &
 DAN OK SLIM
 LAST CALL
 DYLAN WHITNEY
 D'ELEGANTZ
 JOSHUA
 YARBROUGH
 LEON ROLLERSON
 FREE STRETCH
 JOHNNY PAUL
 MYSKOKE SUNRISE

THE HAT WILL BE PASSED!
 2 DAYS
 2 NITES
 4 PM - ?

**8 BANDS
 FUND
 RAISER
 SILENT
 AUCTION**
 50 -50 tickets
 the HAT
 Will be passed
 NO COVER
 1 - 40 @ US 69

**RENTIESVILLE
 SPRINGING THE BLUES
 MINI FEST**

918-855-0978
 SUNDAY HAPPY HOUR JAMS each week 4 pm
 INDUCTIONS SAT MAY 26th 5 pm
 FESTIVAL Dusk til Dawn Aug. 31, Sept 1 & 2

**OKLAHOMA
 BLUES
 HALL OF FAME**

INDUCTION GALA
 great Music and great B-B-Q
 5PM Sat
MAY 26th
 Memorial Day Weekend in
RENTIESVILLE
 2108 Inductees!

K&A AWARDS TO:
 Larry Jones
 Lauree Watkins
 Leroy Brinkley
 Don Whitney
 Shiron & Oscar Ray

**DONNA LADY D BREWER
 AL GARCIA
 CARL GRAY
 DEBBIE HENNING
 MAIN McMANN
 BOB PACEMAKER NEWHAM
 TED TAYLOR
 PAT TOINTIGH
 TERRY TSOTIGH
 MIKE WEINBRENNER
 DANNY WHITE**

918.855.0978
 1-40 @ US 69
 15 min \$ of
 Muskogee

Miss Blues
 will be in the
 house!

Tickets \$12 - includes food while it lasts!

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Oklahoma Blues Hall of Fame Announces 2018 Inductees (Bios will be out soon)

- **THE OBHOF 2018 INDUCTEES**
- **Donna Lady D Brewer**

- Al Garcia
- Cecil Gray's Brother
- Debbie Henning
- Main McMann
- Bob Pacemaker Newham
- Ted Taylor
- Pat Tontigh
- Terry Tsotigh
- Mike Weinbrenner
- Danny White

Certificates to: Shiron and Oscar Ray Lauree Watkins Larry Jones

Leroy Brinkley – Donor of the year Don Whitney

BOD: Dan, Harold, Harry, Donna, Jayne, DW. . . for continued service

May 26th will be a celebration in Rentiesville of this State's Blues Tradition. And indeed it is a rich one. *A record number, 11 Artists with strong roots in the State will be honored with music, trophies, Bar-B-Que and a good time at D.C. Minner's time worn juke joint. Present to celebrate the new inductees will be several artists and OK Blues Hall of Famers – Leon Rollerson, Miss Blues, Selby Minner, Harold Aldridge and more.*

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RENTIESVILLE is...: 15 m, S of Muskogee, 125 m, E of OKC, 200 m. N of Dallas & 70 m SE of Tulsa I – 40 @ US 69 www.dcminnerblues.com_selbyminner@gmail.com Info (918)855-0978 #RentiesvilleRoadTrip google OBHOF, FB Rentiesville Dusk til Dawn Blues Festival or OBHOF or Selby Minne



The Castle of Muskogee and the Bank of Eufaula paying for trophies and more! Thanks!

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The Mini Fest will commemorate the contribution of D.C. Minner to the blues...many bands will perform some of his original tunes as a tribute!!!

Keeping Oklahoma Blues Alive OBHOF in Rentiesville

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The Blues: When most people hear it they think of Memphis or Chicago or New Orleans even Kansas City.

But, there's a resurgence of the blues in Oklahoma focusing on the present as well as the past.

Just off I-40 and Highway 69 north of Checotah sits the small town of Rentiesville.

The historic black town of just 99 people includes the Oklahoma Blues Hall of Fame in an old bar which originally opened in 1936; also the site of the Dusk til Dawn Blues Festival held with 200 performers every Labor Day Weekend since 1991.

The current owner Selby Minner gives us a tour of the place originally opened by the grandmother of blues great D.C. Minner, Selby's husband.

A display on one wall holds pictures of the 100 inductees to the Hall of Fame over the past 13 years.

Although D.C. died in 2008, Selby has kept the hall of fame going as well as the annual Dusk till Dawn Festival which has been around since 1991 during Labor Day Weekend.

Oklahoma blues musicians have played with legends like Count Bassie, Duke Ellington, Louis Armstrong, Cab Calloway and Billie Holliday.

And many Oklahomans have become legends themselves like Charlie Christian, Jimmy Rushing, Jimmy Liggins, Lowell Fulson, Roy Milton, Elvin Bishop, and Jimmy 'Chank' Nolen, with James Brown 30 years.

In fact, Oklahoma City musician and band leader Hart Wand published the reportedly first blues song on Sheet music called "Dallas Blues".

At her home in Oklahoma City, Dorothy Ellis also known as Miss Blues plays a version of it on her computer.

For 70 years Miss Blues has performed what she calls a style of music unique to America and Oklahoma.

"I think that we should celebrate just because it's there and it's the one thing that we can call our own in America. What else we got that nobody else's hand hasn't been in."

Miss Blues started singing the Blues when she was eight years old and has always believed it started in Oklahoma.

She was inducted into the Hall of Fame in Rentiesville back in 2004 **she loves the fact that the hall of fame is in an old drinking establishment.** "It's in a juke joint," she laughs. "Everybody else got a real pretty place. We got this juke joint and it's housed in where the blues started in a juke joint.



And, of course, Dusk til Dawn Blues Festival # 28 at the end of summer

August 31, Sept 1, 2 FRI SAT SUN of Labor Day Weekend; 5 pm til 5 am, \$18; under 12 free
- chosen by NAT'L GEOGRAPHIC as one of the WORLD's

'Ten Awesome Festivals To Check Out This Summer! ' . . . Only one in the US they picked!

*Down Home Blues Oklahoma Style 200 musicians; 30 bands on 3 stages;
a showcase of regional OK blues and 4 international headliners*

Mark your calendar for Labor Day Weekend and come to the longest running big blues fest in Oklahoma

The Rentiesville Blues Festival is unique in many ways. It is on the birthplace and family farm of founder D.C. Minner who returned to Rentiesville after 30 years of touring the nation and abroad playing blues. Together with wife/bassist Selby they brought a wealth of music with them. 30 bands are presented on 3 stages. kids get in free and are kept busy having fun with costumes, face painting and drum circles while the music soaks in. But the juke joint - dating back to 1936 - is adults only and the music rocks on indoors til 5 am. A true showcase of blues players from across OK and several surrounding states topped off with 4 world class headliners. A Blues Lover's Paradise... come see!

. "World's best - and largest - back yard party!" "This is peace as the world should know it!". . . A blues festival that is truly unique as it is a family event with lots for children to do – but not after midnight in the old Juke Joint – adults only, please! "You can see all the headliners by 10:30 pm but night owls keep on and dig the blues from 5 pm til 5 am." The only Woodstock Festival Left!

Shout Out and Thanks To Our Festival Sponsors!

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