



Les Getrex

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There is nothing more refreshing than listening to a singer who can really sing. Listening to Les Getrex sing is like having a long cool drink on a hot day. It soothes and refreshes the soul. For more than thirty years, Les has been entertaining people with his own soulful interpretation of the blues. His playful style and natural ability draw his audiences into every performance.

Les grew up in New Orleans, Louisiana, the fourth of five children, in the musically rich neighborhood of the Sixth Ward. Music has always been an integral part of his life – from belting out soul wrenching spirituals in church to playing the trumpet in the school band.

When he was in his early twenties, Les heard Jimi Hendrix play, and that performance inspired him to learn how to play the guitar. Les is completely self taught on the guitar. His natural musical abilities drew the attention of a neighbor who asked Les to join his band, playing lead guitar. Les joined the band *Burnt Toast and Coffee* and his musical career was launched; a career that has now spanned decades and continents, and has provided the soundtrack for music lovers around the world.



Les has shared the stage with musical icons like *Johnny Adams, Ernie K-Doe, Barbara George, Marva Wright, Lee Dorsey, and Walter "Wolfman" Washington and the Roadmasters*. Les also played with Rock-N-Roll Hall of Fame legend, *Antoine "Fats" Domino* throughout the United States and abroad from 1984 to 1992. He gave international audiences a taste of the bayou while playing with the late Zydeco King, *Rockin' Dopsie and the Zydeco Twisters*. They were featured in the 1983 film classic *Delta Heat*. Les has performed at the New Orleans Jazz & Heritage Festival, the Chicago Blues Festival, Umbria Jazz Summer Festival, and headlined at Days of Blues Guitar. Each year Les plays at jazz and blues festivals throughout the U.S. and Europe.

You can follow Les on Facebook, as he continues to leave audiences around the world spellbound.

FESTIVALS - U.S.

Jazz & Heritage Festival - New Orleans, Louisiana
Chicago Blues Festival - Chicago, Illinois
Bumper Shoot Jazz Festival - Seattle Washington
A Taste of Lincoln Ave. - Chicago, Illinois
Kankakee River Blues Fest - Kankakee, Illinois

FESTIVALS - International

Days of the Blues Guitar Headliner
Innsbruck, Austria
Umbria Jazz Summer Festival Headliner
Perugia, Italy
Quai Du Blues - Paris, France



CLUBS

Kingston Mines - Chicago, Illinois
Green Dolphin, Chicago, Illinois
Buddy Guy's Legends, Chicago, Illinois
The Blues Bar, Mt. Prospect, Illinois
Heaven on Seven, Naperville, Illinois
House of Blues, New Orleans, Louisiana
Tipitina's Uptown, New Orleans, Louisiana
Howlin' Wolf - New Orleans, Louisiana
The Blues Club, New Orleans, Louisiana
The Famous Door, New Orleans, Louisiana
Martha's Midway, Mishawaka, Indiana

CDs

Fall In Love (1997)
300 Miles (2000)
Les Getrex Sings the Classics (2004)

MOVIES & TELEVISION

Delta Heat
Louisiana Jukebox (2000)

RADIO

WVPE - Elkhart, Indiana
WWOZ, New Orleans, Louisiana
WODT, New Orleans, Louisiana

CASINOS

Blue Chip Casino - Michigan City, Indiana
Bally's Casino, New Orleans, Louisiana
Desert Inn - Las Vegas, Nevada





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