

You ain't said nothin' till you played the blues...


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Live Music is Necessary. WBS was founded out of a compulsion to make a variety of excellent live music regularly accessible in our community. So as not to fight 3+ hours of traffic, spend over a hundred bucks and brave the prospect of unwarranted shenanigans, we decided to pool resources (*Your* WBS Membership) in support of what is arguably the real “Magic Mountain.” This year, WBS is positioned to support the wonderful musicians that live here and entice numerous flat lander pros to make the climb. By providing a respectable house band and facilitating excellent productions, we can attract talent, reduce our carbon footprint, save money and hang with kindred spirits. Now, more than ever, the fellowship and friendship that only live music can foster, is indeed necessary.

 **April 2nd “Wrightwood’s Got Talent” Concert of Stars!** This year the annual scholarship/ cash awards presented in honor of Blues Legend Terry “Big T” DeRouen takes on a new look by featuring all finalist in a collaborative concert rather than a competition. The Preliminary round opens February 26th and closes March 19th. Tickets for the April 2nd show go on sale March 15th. See website for more information.

 **May 28th Women’s Empowerment Music Concert .** This show, previously rescheduled due to Covid, again promises to lift our collective spirits. Producer & WBS member, Gayle Dowling is crafting a Gayle & Company Show including members from Kelly’s Lott, Precious Metal, Wild Side and More! Proceeds benefit a local Women’s shelter. Look for tickets to go on sale by May 1st.

 **June 4th “House of Blues, Wrightwood”**
In one enchanted evening, the Wrightwood Place will be transformed into an extraordinary lineup of Blues Artist including Bernie Pearl’s Tribute to Howlin’ Wolf, world renown harmonica player-Robert Cowen, Toby Williams, Walter Foley, and headliner, the fabulous- Gina Graham! Tickets are **FREE TO ALL WBS MEMBERS!** On sale to the general public April 1st.

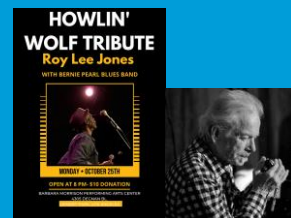
 **“Hot Summer Wednesday Nights!”**
Beginning June 15th and concluding July 20th, The Village Grind has teamed with WBS to produce 6 Wednesday night shows from 6 to 8pm. Each night will feature different performers/genres (Blues, Rock, Folk, Country, Classical & Jazz) accompanied by the most appropriate & exquisite Food & Wine pairings!!!!

 **July 30th “Fire on the Mountain (FOM)”**
This year, produced in association with WBS to elevate the release of “T Time” *the final guitar recordings of Terry DeRouen*. Tommy Dowling’s annual FOM production always brings a daylong variety of outstanding bands. Tickets go on sale June 30th.

A Community of Music & Friends



Gina Graham
House of Blues/Wrightwood



Kelly Zirbes
Women’s Empowerment



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