

LISTINGS – BROOK'S BLUES BAR – MAY 2008

FRIDAY 2 MAY – MAY BANK HOLIDAY – CLOSED

FRIDAY 9 MAY

MICHAEL PICKETT (CAN) – Exclusive London Appearance on UK Tour.

Michael Pickett's award winning harmonica skills, and powerful vocals deliver a charismatic passionate performance – putting his own spin on the musical legacy of Robert Johnson, Bukka White, Mississippi John Hurt, Sonny Terry & Brownie McGhee. He has shared the stage with the legendary Big Mama Thornton, John Lee Hooker, James Cotton, Muddy Waters, Sunnyland Slim Taj Mahal, as well as John Hammond and Rory Block.

"His songs transcend the urban blues idiom..." Billboard (International)

"Gives good chase to John Hammond on guitar and leaves him behind on harp." Blues Matters (UK)

www.michaelpickett.com

DOORS OPEN 8PM, LAST FOOD ORDERS 10.00pm, BAR CLOSSES – midnight,
TICKET PRICE £9.00

FRIDAY 16 MAY – MICHAEL MESSER & ED GENIS – BROOKS BLUES BAR DEBUT

'Michael Messer is one of the most important bluesmen in Britain and mightily relevant throughout the blues world.' Joe Cushley – *Mojo/Blues Matters*

Michael Messer's significance as a blues artist is further confirmed by his inclusion in "The Virgin Encyclopaedia of the Blues." Messer's name appears alongside many of the blues 'greats' who influenced his playing. The American magazine, 'Spirit' listed Michael as one of the greatest slide guitarists ever alongside Duane Allman and Ry Cooder. This year he celebrates 25 years of playing duo with Ed Genis.

www.michaelmesser.co.uk

DOORS OPEN 8PM, LAST FOOD ORDERS 10.00pm, BAR CLOSSES – midnight,
TICKET PRICE £10.00

FRIDAY 23 MAY – SPRING BANK HOLIDAY - CLOSED

FRIDAY 30 MAY – BOB HALL & JOHN O'LEARY – Exclusive London appearance.

"The finest blues and boogie woogie piano player this side of the Atlantic" Folk Roots Magazine.

There is a rare pairing of two of the UK's celebrated blues musicians as **Bob Hall** and **John O'Leary** make their debut duo appearance at Brooks Blues Bar tonight. This is one of Bob's rare London appearances since he moved out of the city some years ago.

The name of **John O'Leary** is synonymous with British Blues and Blues harmonica playing at its best. He is part of a British tradition that can be traced back to the sixties. Check out his website for more background.

www.boogie.demon.co.uk

www.johnolearyband.com

SONNY BLACK DUO – exclusive London appearance

DOORS OPEN 8PM, LAST FOOD ORDERS 10.00pm, BAR CLOSES – midnight,
TICKET PRICE £10.00
