Our mission is to increase the awareness of the culture, history and diversity of blues music through education and participation in the community events.

The Reno Blues Society is an all volunteer non-profit 501(c)3 organization, tax ID 80-0016283.

Press From The Prez

What a summer of great live music, especially in the blues genre, we enjoyed this year. From Max Cabello, Jr., at River Fest in May through Elvin Bishop, Shane Dwight, Mike Furlong, Andy Santana and Buddy Emmer at BBQ, Brews and Blues to the great Tuesday Bluesday lineup at Squaw Valley (too many great shows to mention).

A big shout out to members Keith McBride and Kim Cord for opening their lovely home and yard for our second annual membership party just after Labor Day. A nice turnout and great food, conversation and of course live blues from the Mudd Bonz, a new band to our lineup as they hail from South Shore.

We’re gearing up for our annual veteran’s fundraiser with our Halloween Monster Mash featuring legendary blues guitarist and vocalist Chris Cain along with the Buddy Emmer Band and opening act The Attic Ratz. Cost is $30 but RBS members receive a $5 drink voucher for the Ramada bar in the convention room for every ticket purchased. This will be four hours of great musical entertainment plus we’ll have costume contests and a 50/50 raffle. We’ve never had a headliner or regional act for this veteran’s benefit dance, which for a couple of decades was a veteran’s day or weekend dance featuring several local bands who all donated their talents. We’re still using local bands and we always will, but we’re also trying to bring in big name talent and raise the profile of the RBS and increase the level of entertainment and that costs money.

The RBS is also incurring larger infrastructure costs with a room rental fee now being charged by the Ramada and we buy event insurance, something we should have been doing for years, so our overhead is considerably higher than even a couple years ago. Note that the bar in the convention room is run by the Ramada; the bar in the casino is a separate business run by Diamonds’ Casino. The Ramada requires us to sell $800 on the bar tab so if they don’t meet that minimum, they charge the RBS the difference. So please, buy drinks in the Ramada at the bar in the convention room, not in the casino.

We will be posting signs NO OUTSIDE ALCOHOL on the doors so help us meet our minimum so we can donate all the proceeds to the veterans (and for our music grant program for all other RBS dances).

Keepin’ the blues alive in northern Nevada...

Jamie Klund, President of Reno Blues Society

Christmas Tree Recycling Saturday, December 28

We will host a potluck community service project as we help collect money for Keep Truckee Meadows Beautiful during their annual Christmas Tree Recycling at Rancho San Rafael Park. We will collect trees Saturday, December 28 from 9am-1pm. Details to come as we get closer.

Mardi Gras is Saturday, February 29

Our annual Mardi Gras Dance, a benefit with silent auction for our music grant program, is Saturday, February 29 with headliner and opening act to be announced. If you have something to donate, please contact me, jamesklund@aol.com, or give me a call at 848-2590. It could be services (massages, music lessons, other personal services), a gift certificate or gift card you won’t use, something you won or bid on at another fundraiser or something you can get from a business you frequent. This is the largest part of our music grant fundraising program so please help us get prizes and then bid on other items at the dance.

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OFFICIAL MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

The RBS is a 501©3 non-profit organization, #80-0016293. Please make checks payable to Reno Blues society and mail to: RBS, P.O. Box 10742, Reno, NV 89510-0742. Contact Membership Director Pam Farmer at (775) 247-3011 or email membership@renoblues.org for all questions.

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Halloween Monster Mash
Saturday, October 26, 2019, 6-11 pm
Ramada Inn, 1000 E. 6th St. Reno
Costume contests • 50/50 raffle • Live Blues & Dancing

Tickets $30
RBS Members receive $5 drink ticket at door
Tickets available at:
Reno Recycled Records • Melting Pot
Sparks • Hippies Pipes & Incense

Doors Open at 6pm
Music 6:30-10:30pm
Featuring Legendary Blues Guitarist
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with opening acts
Attic Ratz and
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