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Benjamin "Bud" Spires (left) and his friend Jimmy "Duck" Holmes perform in front of the Blue Front Café, which opened in 1948. Holmes has owned and operated the Blue Front since his father died in 1970. It is a truly authentic juke house, located off Highway 49 in Bentonia, Mississippi, right next to the old railway line. It is also a stop on the Mississippi Blues Heritage Trail. Jimmy "Duck" Holmes plays the Blues in the unique Bentonia style, and records on the Broke and Hungry label (www.brokeandhungryrecords.com). See www.msbluestrail.org for more information about the Trail and the Blue Front.



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Blues Festivals in MISSISSIPPI 2009

- Feb 4-7 • International Blues Challenge • Memphis, TN
- Feb 27 • Living Blues Symposium • Oxford
- March 28 • Port Gibson Main Street Heritage • Port Gibson
- April 18 • Crosstie Arts and Jazz Festival • Cleveland
- April 10-11 • River to the Rails, Greenwood
- April 17-18 • Vicksburg Riverfest, Vicksburg
- April 17-19 • Juke Joint Festival • Clarksdale
- April 17-19 • Natchez Bluff Blues Festival • Natchez
- April 18 • 29th Annual Alcorn State Jazz Festival • Vicksburg
- April 18 • Cotton District Arts Festival • Starkville
- April 19 • Cat Head Mini Blues Fest • Clarksdale
- April 24-25 • Lynch Street Festival • Jackson
- April 25 • Double Decker Arts Festival • Oxford
- April 25 • Meridian Museum of Art's 2009 Blues & BBQ Festival • Meridian
- May 1-2 • Market Street Festival • Columbus
- May 2 • The Deep Delta Festival • Rolling Fork
- May 2 • 18th Annual Leland Crawfish Festival • Leland
- May 7 • 30th Annual Blues Awards • Memphis, TN
- May 9 • Clarksdale Caravan Music Fest • Clarksdale
- May 9 • Crossroads Blues and Heritage Festival • Rosedale
- May 9 • 5th Annual Robert Johnson Blues Festival • Crystal Springs
- May 22-23 • Down From the Hills • New Albany
- May 22-23 • Mississippi Hills Fiddling Competition • New Albany
- June 4-8 • Medgar Evers' Homecoming • Pickens
- June 5-7 • The Tupelo Elvis Festival • Tupelo
- June 6 • Mother's Best Music Fest • Helena, Ark
- June 6-7 • Delta Jubilee • Clarksdale
- June 6-7 • Highway 61 Blues Fest and Holly Ridge Jam • Leland
- June 20 • Bentonia Blues Festival • Bentonia
- June 26-27 • North Mississippi Hill Country Blues Festival • Potts Camp
- July 4 • Mississippi John Hurt Gospel and Blues Festival • Avalon
- July 4 • The Blues & Cruise-Thru History Motorcycle Rally & Show • Port Gibson
- July 11 • Duck Hill's Grassroots Festival • Duck Hill
- July 12 • Founders' Day • Mound Bayou
- Aug 7-9 • Sunflower River Blues and Gospel Festival • Clarksdale
- Aug 9 • Sam Carr Day • Clarksdale (Hopson Commissary)
- Aug 9 • Cat Head Mini Blues Festival II • Clarksdale
- Sept 4 • 14th Annual Howlin' Wolf Memorial • West Point
- Sept 5 • 14th Annual Jazz and Heritage Festival • Greenville
- Sept 6-7 • Browning Labor Day Festival • Greenwood
- Sept 12 • Mississippi Gulf Coast Blues and Heritage Festival • Pascagoula
- Sept 19 • Mississippi Delta Blues and Heritage Festival • Greenville
- Sept 25-26 • Town BBQ Throwdown • Oxford
- Oct 8-10 • Arkansas Blues and Heritage Festival • Helena, Ark
- Oct 9-10 • Octoberfest • Cleveland
- Oct 10 • Cat Head Mini Blues Festival • Clarksdale
- Oct 10 • Pinetop Perkins Homecoming • Clarksdale
- Oct 16-18 • Johnny Cash Flower Pickin' Festival • Starkville
- Oct 16-17 • Tommy Johnson Blues Festival • Crystal Springs
- Oct 17-19 • Historic Mobile Street Renaissance Festival • Hattiesburg
- Oct 24 • Delta Day Festival • Tunica
- Oct 29-Nov 1 • 3rd Annual Hambone Festival • Clarksdale
- Nov 4-7 • Native American Days • Winterville Mounds
- Nov 7 • St. Gabriel Harvest Festival • Mound Bayou
- Nov 7 • Delta Regional Blues Challenge • Indianola
- Nov 28 • Thanksgiving Annual Blues Concert • Cleveland