

"Michissippi" Mick Kolassa

"Kolassa has nothing to worry about: he's both a good musician and songwriter and good at it, too!" **Living Blues**

"Just flat-out fun stuff that sneaks up on you and never fails to keep its mojo working." **Midwest Records**

"this cat is a self-compiled encyclopedia of the blues with the chops to back up putting himself out there front and center." **Chris Spector**

"Mick Kolassa is one of the performers that I had always heard OF more than I had heard. I decided to remedy that shortcoming...and I'm glad I did! His singing voice is well-suited to Blues, and he often delivers a song with "a wink in his voice"". **George Willett**

"Mick Kolassa is, without question, one of the finest songwriters in the business. He is also a fine guitarist, with a voice that suggests years of marinating his vocal cords in bourbon and fine cigars." **Reflections In Blue**

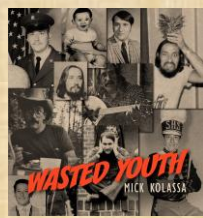
"Michissippi Mick" Kolassa lives in Memphis but was born in Michigan and lived in Mississippi for nearly 30 years, where he was given his nickname. He has played blues in solo and duo acoustic formats and with his bands at clubs, theaters and festivals throughout the US and Europe. Mick has performed in legendary blues venues such as Ground Zero, The Rum Boogie Café, Biscuits and Blues, Martha's Midway Tavern, The Bradfordville Blues Club, Darwin's, Blind Willie's, Underground 119, The Capitol Oyster Bar, the National Blues Museum, and many more. He has also performed at multiple blues festivals in North America and Europe.



Rather than staying within a single genre of blues, Mick loves and celebrates all styles of blues, and also loves to find the blues hidden in songs of other genres, "bluesifying" songs and doing what he calls "uncovers". Mick can offer 4 different "flavors" of blues to an audience:

- ◆ His solo acoustic shows feature Delta and Piedmont blues, as well as some surprise folk blues tune.
- ◆ With his Endless Blues Band Mick delivers modern Mississippi, Memphis and Chicago Blues, with a taste of Rock
- ◆ For a different feel, Mick teams up with Memphis guitarist Mario Monterosso Mario to deliver classic "old school" blues with a jazz influence in the styles of T-Bone Walker, Louis Jordan and Lowell Fulson.
- ◆ Mick also delivers a soulful blues show flavored with a bit of rock by teaming up with Mississippi Bluesman Dexter Allen.

Regardless of the venue and configuration, Mick delivers lively and animated performances, assuring that the fans enjoy themselves as they listen to him playing his Free-Range Blues©.



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