



What Every Guitarist Needs To Know About

THE BLUES

W.C. Handy

1873 –1958

“Father of the Blues”

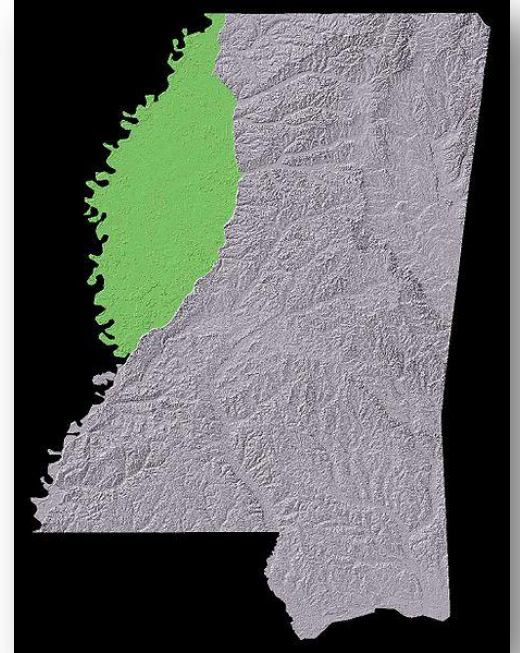
1909 his band moved to Memphis, TN
to play clubs on Beale Street.

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Delta Blues

- Acoustic & fingerstyle
- Bottleneck slide
- Gospel and spiritual influence
- From Mississippi Delta
- First recorded 1920s



Robert Johnson

1911-1938

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Famous Delta Blues Guitarists

Big Joe Williams

1903 –1982

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Big_Joe_Williams



Garfield Akers

Influenced John Lee Hooker



Big Bill Broonzy

1898 –1958

Wrote 300+ Songs

1 of 17 kids

Delta & Chicago Style

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Famous Delta Blues Guitarists



Charley Patton

c. 1887 & 1891 – 1934

Father of the Delta Blues

Go here to listen to over 25 songs:

http://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/Category:Charlie_Patton

Heavily influenced [John Lee Hooker](#)
and [Howlin' Wolf](#)

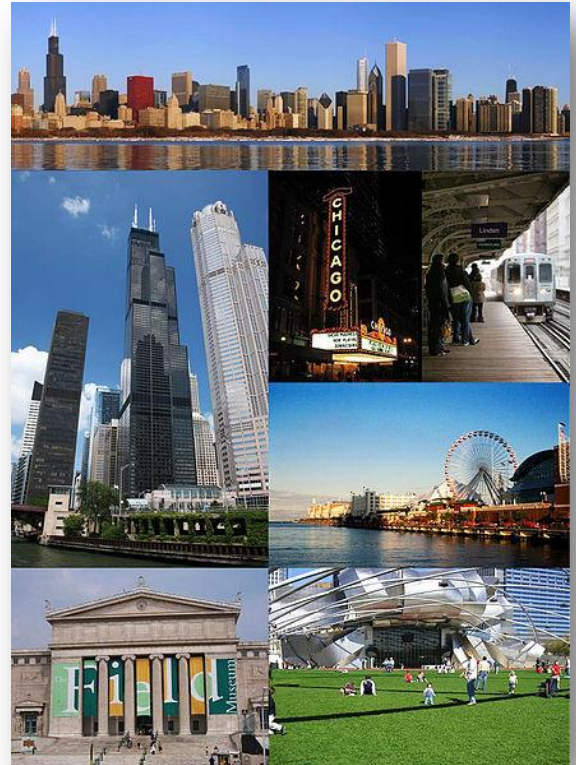
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Famous Delta Blues Guitarists



Chicago Blues

- Came after Delta blues
- c. 1940
- Electric guitar
- Amplified
- Slide
- Soloing



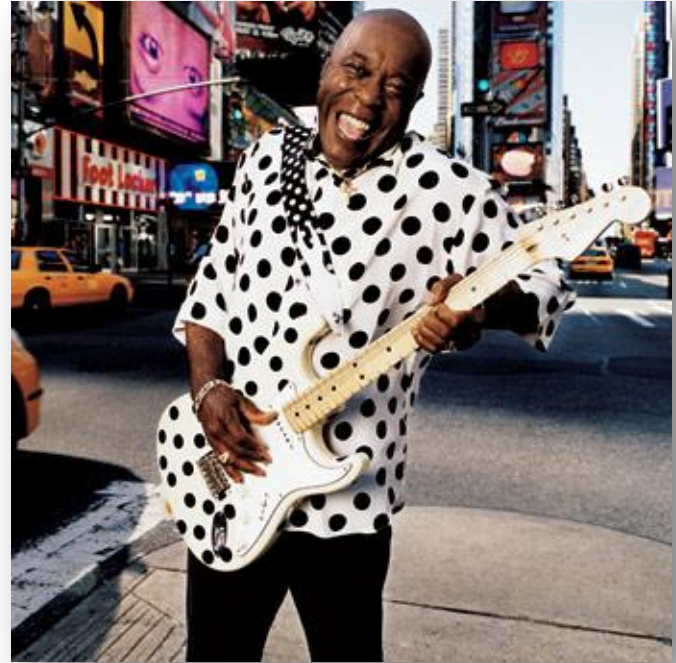
Chicago Blues

- South Side, Chicago
- Big record companies made popular in Europe (especially U.K.)



Chicago Blues Music

- Expanded Solos to use Major scale (vs. pentatonic and blues only)
- Introduced the dominant 9th chord (jazzier sound)
- Heavy on solos
- <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MWvG9L1jqq0>



Buddy Guy

Bo Diddley

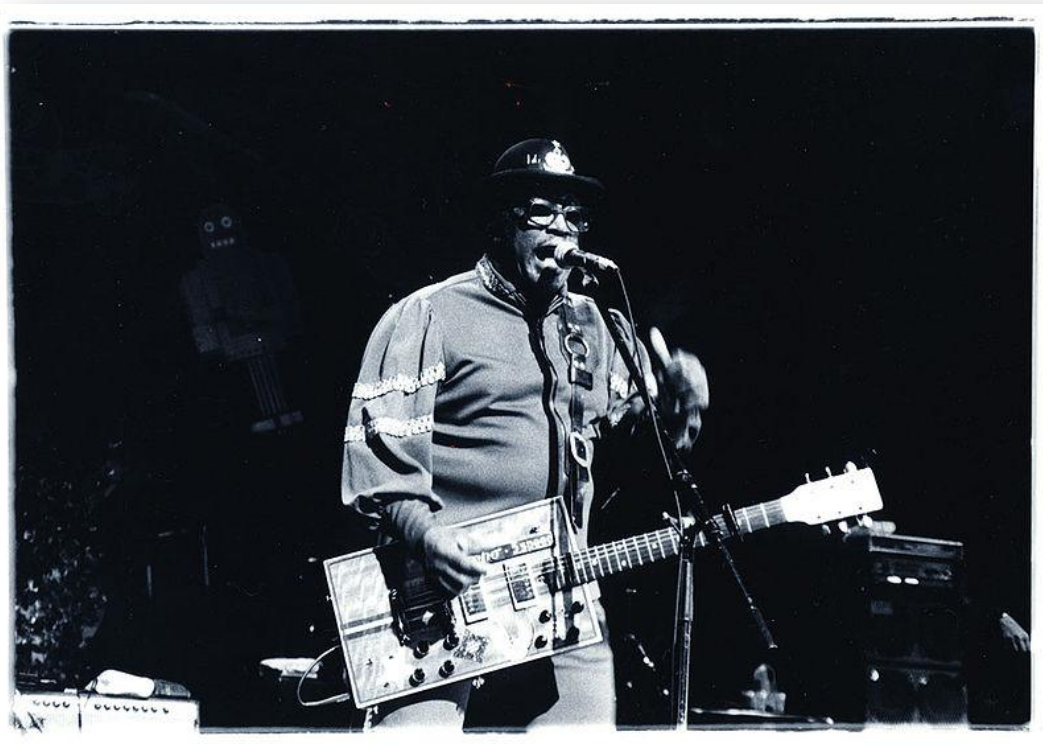
1928 –2008

Real name: Ellas Otha Bates

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bo_Diddley

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(Interview)



Famous Chicago Blues Guitarists

Muddy Waters

1913–1983

McKinley Morganfield (real name)

Father of Chicago Blues

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Muddy_Waters

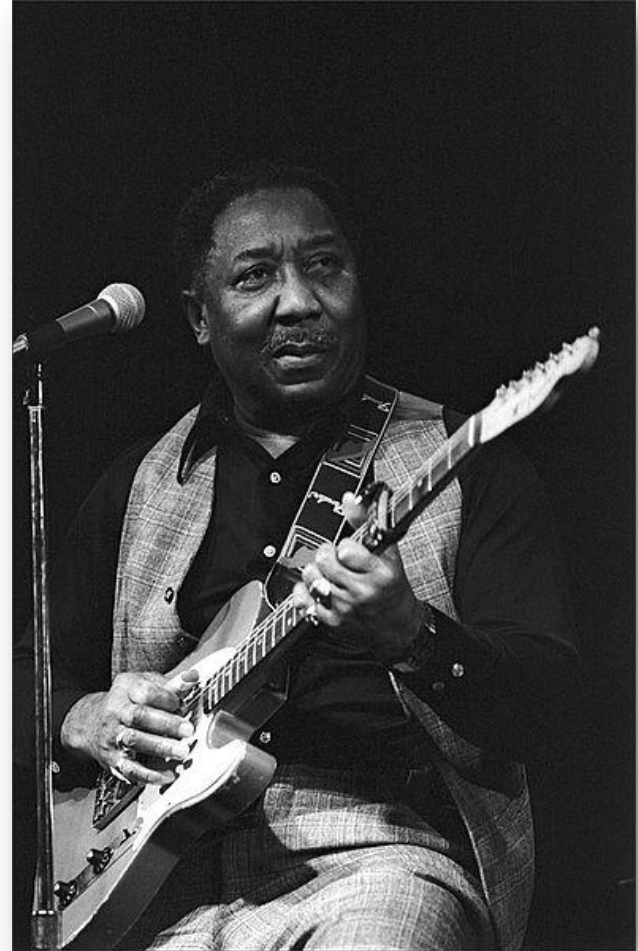
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Acoustic:

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Famous Chicago Blues Guitarists



Muddy Waters' Influence

- Ranked #11 in Rolling Stone magazine's list of the 100 Greatest Artists of All Time
- Rolling Stones named themselves after "Rollin' Stone"
- Cream covered "Rollin' and Tumblin'" on 1966 debut album
- AC/DC song "You Shook Me All Night Long" came from lyrics of "You Shook Me"
- R & R Hall of Fame listed 4 songs by Muddy Waters of the 500 Songs That Shaped Rock and Roll



Elmore James

1918 –1963

The King of Slide Guitar

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Elmore_James

Big influence on **Jimi Hendrix**. Photo of Hendrix holding LP, “The Best Of Elmore James.”

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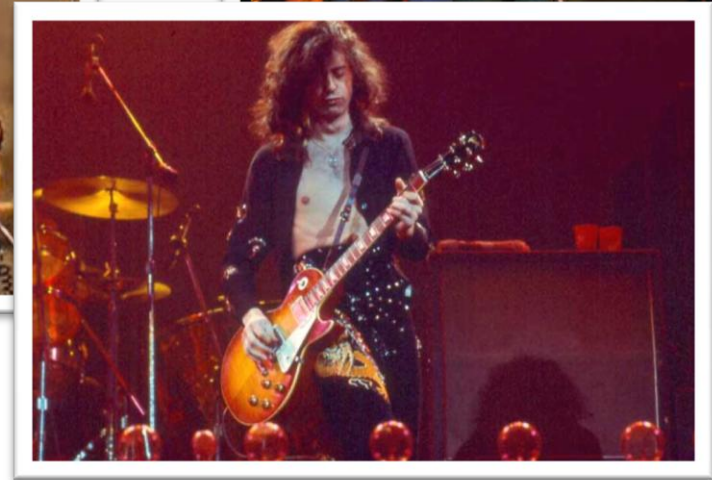
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Famous Slide Guitarists



Blues Influence

- Blues from 1920-1950 gave rise to Classic Rock of 1960s-1970s
- Hendrix
- Clapton
- Jeff Beck
- Jimmy Page
- Led Zeppelin
- The Rolling Stones
- Fleetwood Mac
- Allman Brothers



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