

Jesse Valach presents Blues Mountain

"One of the genuine rising blues stars in the Australian Blues scene"

Patrick Elliget-Pearl Magazine (*The Peninsula Blues Report*)

"It won't be long before Mr Valach and Blues Mountain follow in the likes of Geoff Achison and Claude Hay to emerge onto the international blues stage"

Duncan Beattie-*Blues Matters* magazine (UK)

After 4 years sitting just below the radar Melbourne's fiery blues/soul infused, reggae/roots inspired, singer/songwriter, and lead guitarist Jesse Valach is now starting to attract the attention he deserves. Weaving together intense guitar and soulful vocals, Mr Valach takes you on a journey from lights down low soul ballads to energetic shuffle romps delivered in demanding fashion. Mr Valach has performed alongside some of Australia's biggest names in blues music including Russell Morris, Geoff Achison, Jeff Lang, Lloyd Spiegel, Jimi Hocking, Ray Beadle and on numerous occasions he has been the dynamic guitarist behind renowned harmonica player Mr Chris Wilson. Mr Valach first made a name for himself honing his craft at local blues jams and after being selected to perform on the "Unearthed Stage" at The Wangaratta Jazz and Blues Festival and Winter Blues Festival in Echuca by the Melbourne Blues Appreciation Society alongside his outfit Blues Mountain their sound caught the rapt attention of everyone from the loyal traditional blues followers to the casual-part time listener.

With an unmatched dedication, hard work, devotion, and a killer rhythm section to boot Jesse Valach and Blues Mountain have produced a tight riveting live show and with their debut album coming in at #3 on the Australian Blues and Roots it is a definite testimony to that. Performing close to 200 shows this past year including festivals such as Blues on Broadbeach, Thredbo Blues, and Wangaratta Jazz and Blues Festival. Mr Valach and Blues Mountain have also enjoyed an ongoing weekly residency at the Yacht Club Hotel-Williamstown for the past 3 years, regular visits in Mornington Peninsula and Bendigo with a monthly residency at the Mornington Peninsula Brewery and Gold Dust Lounge-Bendigo, a jam packed album launch at the GH Hotel-St Kilda, and very successful overseas tours in New Zealand and Fiji. Their highly anticipated second album "Separation Street" is due for release October 2014. Jesse Valach has proven that from local blues jams to the international stage he is a musician who is indeed on the rise.

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