



# The LUCKY LOSERS

w/ Cathy Lemons & Phil Berkowitz

## BAND ONESHEET

### CRITICAL ACCLAIM FOR ALBUM *STANDIN' PAT*



"They conjure a blues of a different hue, one full of surprises and elemental forces. The band leaders have animated musical intelligence in abundance. *'Down in Memphis Town'* may be the outstanding song, with ten more originals almost as good. *'Standin' Pat'* is definitely a strong contender for 'best blues album of the year.'"

— Frank John Hadley | 10/25/22 (long-time critic *Downbeat Magazine*)

"Vocalists Cathy Lemons and harmonica ace Phil Berkowitz are at their very best. The often winning duo was the 2021 Independent Blues Artist of the year. Highlights include the song *'Rich Strike'* about the horse who won the Kentucky Derby with 80 to one odds. Also featured is their tribute to Louisiana with *'Pack Up The Bags'* & *'Try New Orleans.'* This is the best to date from our dynamic duo."

— Richard Ludmerer | *Making A Scene*, 10/13/22



### RETRO BLUES & SOUL

With a twist of Americana



John McDonald 2022



### WINNERS OF FIVE INDEPENDENT BLUES AWARDS IN 2021

Nominated for **BEST CONTEMPORARY ARTIST, BEST CONTEMPORARY ALBUM, & BEST CONTEMPORARY SONG** ("Standin' Pat") in 2023 by The Independent Blues Awards, **THE LUCKY LOSERS** are San Francisco's no. 1 touring band. Their music is a throwback to the hybrid of soul, blues, rock, gospel, and country that emerged in the late 1960's with impassioned vocal performances, electrifying musical interplay, and powerful harmonica. Described as "the finest female blues vocalist in the U.S" [Real Blues - 2010], fiery Dallas-born entertainer **Cathy Lemons** has a velvet voice with a gritty edge and the rebel conviction of a woman risen from the ashes. New Jersey native **Phil Berkowitz** "has earned renown as one of the West Coast's most distinctive harp players, as well as for his sharp, resonant tenor" [Living Blues - 2018]. The stark contrast between incandescent Lemons and elegant Berkowitz makes for a captivating musical union, breathing new life into American songwriting tradition and the vanishing art of duet singing. Since 2015, The Lucky Losers have completed numerous national tours, performing on stages in over 46 states. Their artistic achievements garnered the band **5 NATIONAL AWARD WINS, 25 NATIONAL AWARD NOMINATIONS, & 2 International Songwriting Competition prizes as Finalists IN 2018 & 2020.** Band members include Cathy Lemons, vocalist, Phil Berkowitz, vocalist, harmonica, Jon Otis (the son of legendary Johnny Otis), drums, Chris Burns, keys, Simon Govan Smith, guitar Edgar San Gabriel, bass.

## THE LUCKY LOSERS CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

**AWARDS:** Five Independent Blues Awards in 2021: Best Independent R&B/ Blues CD (*Godless Land*), Best R&B/ Blues Song (*Godless Land*), Song of the Year (*Godless Land*), Artist of the Year (Cathy Lemons), Best Female Artist. Winner of 2019 Best Blues R&B Band.

**FESTIVAL PERFORMANCES:** Omaha Summer Arts Festival, NE; Blues Cruz @ Starlight Ranch in Amarillo, TX, Red White & Blues Festival, NM; Bob Sykes BBQ & Blues Festival, AL; Rockin' Blues 'N Brews Festival, CA; Camden SC, Down Home Blues Festival, SC; Sebastopol Apple Blossom Festival, CA; San Felipe Blues and Arts Fiesta, Mexico; Blues By The Sea in Kiawah Island, SC; Riverfront Blues Festival, MT, Madison Ribberfest, IN, Point Richmond Summer Music Concerts & others.

**TV PERFORMANCES:** WGN TV/ Midday News in Chicago/ May 4 2018; Late Night New England, February 2020

**LIVE, IN-STUDIO RADIO PERFORMANCES:** WDVX/ Blue Plate Special in Knoxville, TN, KALW/ Fog City Blues in San Francisco; KRSH/ Bill Bowker in Sonoma; KPFA/ Tom Mazzolini in Berkeley; WRFG/ KFAI MN.

*Standin Pat* made world renowned **Living Blues Radio Chart, for Oct, Nov, Dec of 2022 & January 2023.** The album is at the top of the list for Blues Music Magazine's "**Top Albums 2022**" by critic Dan Stevens. Devon Strolovich's Fog City Blues on KALW listed the album at #7 for "Top Albums of 2022".

**SHOW PRODUCTIONS:** "Life Love & Faith, a Tribute to Allen Toussaint" 2015 (with Maria Muldaur) 150 attendees; "Blues Saves Lives" (annual human trafficking benefit (with Tommy Castro) 200 + attendees); "Blues Gives Back" benefit with 200 + attendees; "Blues For Freedom" (benefit with 200 + attendees); "Friends with Benefits" (with Elvin Bishop) 200 + attendees, Club Fox CD Release shows (5).

**NATIONAL VENUES:** The Saloon, Biscuits and Blues, The Poor House Studio, Club Fox, Buddy Guy's Legends, The Slippery Noodle, Capitol Oyster Bar, Bradfordville Blues Club, Blind Willie's, Lafayette's Music Room, Rum Boogie, BB's Jazz, Blues & Soups, Fanatics & more.

**INTERNATIONAL SONGWRITING COMPETITION - FINALISTS 2018, 2020** (Blues category) Cathy Lemons' "Godless Land" & "The River".

### BOOKING AGENT

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**STATS:** Facebook Band Page: 7,900 followers; Instagram Followers: 1,599, Mailing list: 1,500 subscribers; YouTube: 127,298 Views since 2015. 713 Subscribers.

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