

Paul Lamb beginners - intermediate harmonica workshop Weekend.

Blues harmonica, why do you want to play such a tiny instrument?

The reason is, that it is one of the most expressive & soulful instruments to play.

When I first heard this fantastic music, they call the Blues, something touched my heart. Searching around, looking for an instrument to express my feelings I tried guitar, piano, & even drums.

Suddenly I came across by chance, in a junk shop an LP "Brownie Mc Ghee & Sonny Terry sing" on Folkways. At the age of 14 yrs, I had found my instrument...the Blues harmonica, my journey had started!

So, over the weekend I will be talking about the music behind the harmonica & how I got into it. Starting out with bending notes, chords or tongue blocking. Smacking the reeds ,fanning the harp, kiss pops & much much more.

I will also demonstrate the various players who have influenced me & their techniques, Sonny Terry, Big Walter Horton, both Sonny Boys, George Smith the list goes on.

The harmonica I use is the Hohner 10 hole Marine Band. If you have all the keys, great. If you don't have any harps then try to get hold, (beg or borrow) an A key Marine Band.

The weekend will have us blowing the recession Blues away.

Looking forward to having a ball at The Inn at Lathones

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