

JACK-AUSTIN DESPY BLUES BAND



Electronic Press Kit

JACK-AUSTIN DESPY is a rising star in the UK blues-rock scene. With electrifying guitar work, soulful vocals, and raw energy, he is being hailed as the future of modern blues. Jack-Austin and his band deliver a performance that leaves audiences wanting more. His music is a blend of traditional blues with a modern twist which has captivated the hearts of music lovers everywhere. This press kit introduces his story, achievements, and media resources.

Biography

Jack-Austin Despy, based in Billericay, Essex, is already being recognised as one of the UK's brightest new blues talents. Jack began his musical journey at the age of six when he wanted to learn to play harp. At the age of thirteen he played guitar and sang at the Rory Gallagher Festival UK in Nantwich where he amazed the audience with his skills on stage. Despite his youth, he has appeared at major venues and festivals including the Ballyshannon Rhythm & Blues Festival, Rory Gallagher International Tribute Festival in Ballyshannon, the iconic 100 Club in London and returning to the Rory Gallagher Festival UK.

He has twice been a UK Blues Federation finalist in the Jules Fothergill Young Blues Artist of the Year at the age of 16 and 17.

He is endorsed by DR Handmade Pure Blues guitar strings.

Jack-Austin blends the virtuosity of Stevie Ray Vaughan with the passion of Rory Gallagher and the soul of BB King, while carving out his own unique identity on stage.



VIDEOS – click the links.-

Broadstairs Blues Bash - [Old Black Sun](#)

Broadstairs Blues Bash - [Hurt Train](#)

Broadstairs Blues Bash - [Whiplash Alley](#)

Broadstairs Blues Bash - [Voodoo Child](#)

Ballyshannon Rory Gallagher International - [Couldn't Stand The Weather](#)

Highlights & Achievements

Finalist in the UK Blues Federation Awards in 2025 and 2026:

Young Blues Artist & Emerging Act of the Year

At the age of 16 he performed at:

Ballyshannon Rhythm & Blues Festival - Ireland

Rory Gallagher Tribute Festival UK

Tuesday Blues at the 100 Club

Blackpool Winter Gardens

Rory Gallagher International Festival Ballyshannon - Ireland

Broadstairs Blues Bash

Dereham Blues Festival

Livestock Blues Festival (London)

At the age of 17 so far he performed at:

Ballyshannon Rhythm & Blues Festival - Ireland

Whitby Blues Rhythm and Rock Festival 2025

Winter Blues Weekender – North Shields

Broadstairs Blues Bash

Shared stages with leading acts on the blues circuit – Paul Cook Blues Band, The Zac Schulze Gang, Aiden Pryor Band and Whisky Flowers.

Endorsed by DR Handmade Pure Blues Strings.

Regularly sells out local shows, with glowing reviews.

In 2026 he has already been booked at:

Rory Gallagher Tribute – Holland

York Blues Festival

Rory Gallagher International Tribute - Ireland

Zelt Open Air – Germany

Belfast City Blues Festival - Ireland

Letterkenny Blues & Roots Festival - Ireland

Colne Great British Rhythm & Blues Festival

Rory Gallagher Festival UK (Nantwich)

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TOP 5 NOMINEES ANNOUNCED ON 15TH FEB BY THE UK BLUES FEDERATION.
PUBLIC VOTE FOR WINNERS STARTS 15TH FEB TILL 1ST MARCH.
WINNERS TO BE ANNOUNCED 8TH APRIL AT THE UK BLUES AWARDS 2026



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Public voting now open at www.ukblues.org
Winners to be announced at the UK Blues Awards 2025 on 16th April