SWEET ANGEL of Memphis promises a high-energy show when she takes the Main Stage at 8 p.m. Friday.

A vocalist and a saxophone instrum entalist, Angel lists Elvis and Tina Turner as her entertainment role models.





Sunflower members/volunteers helping serve at the festival's famous "Grits, Greens and Barbecue" Party are Madge Harris, Nancy Foley, Georgianna Smith, Sandy DeZwaan, Earless Anderson, and Sarah Crisler-Ruskey.

Wearing his signature
Chikan shirt, and
playing his
Chikan guitar,
Super Chikan
Johnson is a crowd
favorite in many
countries and
especially
at home.

He performs at 6
p.m. Saturday on the
Main Stage.



Clarksdale's own Big Jack Johnson is immortalized during the 2014 Sunflower River Blues Festival with a Blues Trail Marker on the corner of Sunflower and Martin Luther King Blvd., a few steps away from Red's Blues Lounge - Big Jack's home base when he was in town. Pictured are members of his band, the Cornlickers, (left) Angenette Johnson, his widow, Red Paden, and family members.



Virtuoso guitarists performing in 2014 and returning in 2015 include Lusicous Spiller (farl eft) playing at 1 p.m. Saturday on the Main Stage; Leo "Bud" Welch, (center) performing at 8 p.m. Thursday at the VIP Party beneath the VIP Tent; and phenom: Christone "Kingfish" Ingram, a graduate of the Delta Blues Museum Band, who will play at 2 p.m. Saturday on the Main Stage. --- Photos by Panny Flautt Mayfield

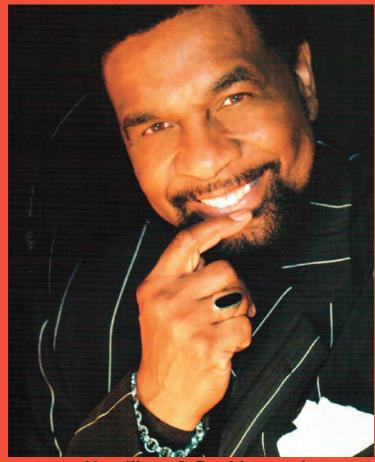
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Grammy winner Rita Engedalen, heralded in Norway as Queen of the Blues, will perform at 7:15 p.m. Saturday on the Main Stage. She and Norwegian vocalist Margit Bakken also will present an educational program, "Women in Blues," at 11:15 a.m. Saturday on the Acoustic Stage under the VIP tent.



Nathaniel Kimble headlines the Friday night stage at 9:15 p.m.

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Thursday, August 6, 2015 - VIP Grits, Greens & Barbecue Supper in the VIP Tent

6:00 p.m .- 6:45 p.m. - Richard "Daddy Rich" Crisman; 7:00 p.m. - 7:45 p.m. - Anthony "Big A" Sherrod; 8:00 p.m. - 8:45 p.m. - Leo "Bud" Welch

Friday, August 7, 2015 - Main Stage

5:00 p.m. - 5:45 p.m. - Delta Blues Museum Band

6:00 p.m. - 6:45 p.m. - David Dunavent & The EVOL Love Band

7:00 p.m. - 7:45 p.m. - Joshua "Razor Blade" Stewart

8:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. - Sweet Angel

9:15 p.m. - 10:30 p.m. - Nathanel Kimble

Saturday, August 8, 2015 - Acoustic Stage Beneath the VIP Tent - Free and Open to the Public

9:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. - Eddie Cusic 9:45 a.m. - 10:15 a.m. - Pat Thomas

10:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. - Bill Abel & Cadillac John

11:15 a.m. - 12 noon - Women in Blues Educational Program

12:15 p.m. - 12:45 p.m. - Sharde Turner & Rising Star Fife & Drum Band

Saturday, August 8, 2015 - Acoustic Stage on Sunflower Avenue

2:00 p.m. - 2:45 p.m. - Jimmy "Duck" Holmes

3:00 p.m. - 3:45 p.m. - LC Ulmer

4:00 p.m. - 4:45 p.m. - Terry "Harmonica" Bean

Saturday, August 8, 2015 - Main Stage

1:00 p.m. - 1:45 p.m. - Lusicous Spiller

2:00 p.m. - 2:45 p.m. - Christone "Kingfish" Ingram

3:00 p.m. - 3:45 p.m. - Heather Crosse: Heavy Suga & The Sweet Tones

4:00 p.m. - 4:45 p.m. - Kenny Brown

5:00 p.m. - 5:45 p.m. - Terry "Big T" Williams & The Family Band

6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. - James "Super Chikan" Johnson

7:00 p.m. - 7:15 p.m. - Awards

7:15 p.m. - 8: 15 p.m. - Rita Engedalen

8:30 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. - William Bell

Sunday, August 9, 2015 - Clarksdale Civic Auditorium, East Second Street

4:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. - Sarah Metcalf

4:45 p.m. - 5:15 p.m. - The Singing Echoes

5:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. - Divine Angels

6:15 p.m. - 6:45 p.m. - The Sons of Wonder

6:45 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. - Presentation of the Julius Guy Gospel Heritage Award

7:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. - The Myles Family

7:45 p.m. - 8:15 p.m. - The New Converted Voices

8:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. - Patrick Hollis & United

Saturday morning's Acoustic Stage & 'Women In Blues 'Education'
Program under the VIP Tent are FREE and Accessible to All.



Sunflower River Gospel Festival headliners, Patrick Hollis and United of Lee Williams & The Spiritiual QCs, will take the gospel stage at 8:30 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 9, in the air-conditioned Clarksdale Civic Auditorium, East Second Street.

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