

Multi-Blues Music Award Nominee Frank Bey signed to Nola Blue Records

Soul blues vocalist inks deal to release his new album, "Back in Business," on Nola Blue Records.

LANCASTER, Pa. - July 20, 2018 - [PRLog](#) -- Nola Blue Records is delighted to announce the addition of "The Southern Gentleman of the Blues" Frank Bey to the label, with a September 21 release date scheduled for his new album, "Back in Business." Recorded and produced in Nashville by two-time Grammy winner Tom Hambridge, the title track is both autobiographical and symbolic of Bey's inspired return to the singing career he began as a child in his hometown of Millen, Georgia.

From his work with the Otis Redding Soul Revue at age 17, to a record deal gone bad with James Brown, to his multiple Blues Music Award nominations in 2014 and 2016, and much more, Frank Bey has had his share of career highs and lows. The depth, warmth and character of his voice flow effortlessly to embody the very essence of soul singing. His attitude and resilient spirit are powerfully contagious.

Nola Blue Records president, Sallie Bengtson, says, "Frank's life has shared commonalities with other musicians of his era born in the Jim Crow South. His awe-inspiring career highlights juxtaposed with devastating lows are powerful forces to reconcile. I could easily relate to his life journey as it parallels that of fellow label artist Benny Turner in many ways, and was quickly inspired to add Frank and his project to the Nola Blue Records family."

Tom Dwyer, Executive Producer of the upcoming Frank Bey Documentary Film, observes, "Frank Bey's incredible life experiences inform his music and imbue it with an authenticity, a spirituality, and a connection that draws listeners into his live performances and keeps their attention riveted throughout the show. Magically, "Back in Business" does the same! When viewers see the documentary film based on Frank's life, his determination, strength, and resilience will remind the audience that we all are creatures who CAN DO, and by being reminded of that, leave the theater invigorated and inspired."

Among his other awards and accolades, Tom Hambridge produced the current number one Billboard Blues charting album, "The Blues is Alive and Well" by Buddy Guy and is enjoying success with his own current release, "The NOLA Sessions." Fans of both Hambridge and Guy will be equally captivated by this new release from Frank Bey, on which Tom Hambridge also plays drums, and which features many of the session musicians used on Buddy Guy's album. Filming for a documentary of Frank's inspirational life and music career, called "When You Ask Me How I Feel," is almost complete, and a crowdfunding campaign to begin post-production work will run concurrently with the album release. Publicity and radio promotion will be handled by Betsie Brown at Blind Raccoon, who is also handling the new Guy and Hambridge releases.

For additional information, visit nola-blue.com, frankbeymusic.com and frankbeyfilm.com.

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