

EVENTS – Sept 2011, WEEK 1

Hey Ya'll! I'm Sade Turnipseed your host of Delta Renaissance. And I am sure most of you have heard about the passing of an era. Shaw native, David Honeyboy Edwards died this week, peacefully at his home in Chicago, at the wonderful age of 96 years old. Honeyboy as he is known is the last of the giants from the Mississippi Delta that actually created the music we call the Blues. He perhaps like none other was able to talk with and later share stories about folks like Charlie Patton, Robert Johnson, Tommy Johnson, Howl n' Wolf, Muddy Waters, Willie Dixon, Little Walter and so many others from his own personal experiences. That is the essence of history. We have lost the last of an era. David Honeyboy Edwards is gone but never ever forgotten.

Now for your cultural arts updates:

Coming to the Front Porch stage is Nathaniel Kimble singing the sweet southern soul music this Saturday September 3rd. Also in performance that night is D J SMOOTH this event takes place at da' House located at 105 Main Street, in downtown Indianola. For more information, please contact Mr. Robert Terrell at 630.935.0038.

The Amateur Photo Contest Exhibit will be on display in Lake Village at the GUACHOYA CULTURAL ART CENTER from September 8th through the 30th. A public reception to celebrate the opening will be held Thursday, Sept. 8 from 6:00-7:30. Cash prizes and ribbons will be awarded at the reception. Admission is free. The GUACHOYA CULTURAL ART CENTER is located at 1652 Hwy 65 & 82 South, Lake Village Arkansas.

The folks over at the Yazoo County Convention & Visitors Bureau are inviting everyone to come on out and Get fired up!! For the 1st Annual Fire & Feast BBQ Festival at the Yazoo County Fairgrounds. This event takes place Friday Sept 9th starting at 6:00 pm featuring Yazoo County native and Nashville recording artist: **Margaret Phillips. There will also be** a BBQ competition, arts & crafts, and a KidsZone with Fire Truck demos all day Saturday, Sept 10th. A portion of the proceeds raised will go to Mississippi Firefighters Memorial Burn Association. You may go to fireandfeast.org for information.

It is that time of the year again when the longest running blues festival in the world takes place right here in Greenville Mississippi. The 34TH ANNUAL MISSISSIPPI DELTA BLUES & HERITAGE FESTIVAL will be held at the Washington County Convention Center Fairgrounds, on Saturday September 17th

The featured artists this year are: Bobby "Blue" Bland, Bobby Rush, Willie Clayton, Grady Champion, Ruby Wilson, Victor Wainwright, Patrice Moncell and J. Blackfoot. I along with Big Jockey will be your hosts. And of course this is all in celebration and in honor of the legacy and culture of the people who sharecropped and picked cotton here in the Mississippi Delta.

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NOW Please do what ever you can to support the arts and culture here in the Delta, like attending one of these great events. And don't forget to tune in DELTA FOX-10, this Saturday at noon, to see the full version of "Delta Renaissance." This week I will be talking to Dr. Ronald Myers about Jazz Heritage in the Mississippi Delta. This has been Sade Turnipseed inviting you all to stay connected to your culture, right here on WABG and DELTA FOX-10. If you have any cultural arts announcements that you would like to share please send the information to: deltarenaissance@aol.com, or fax it to 662.887.2900. And as usual you can always check out some of the events online at www.DeltaRenaissance.com.