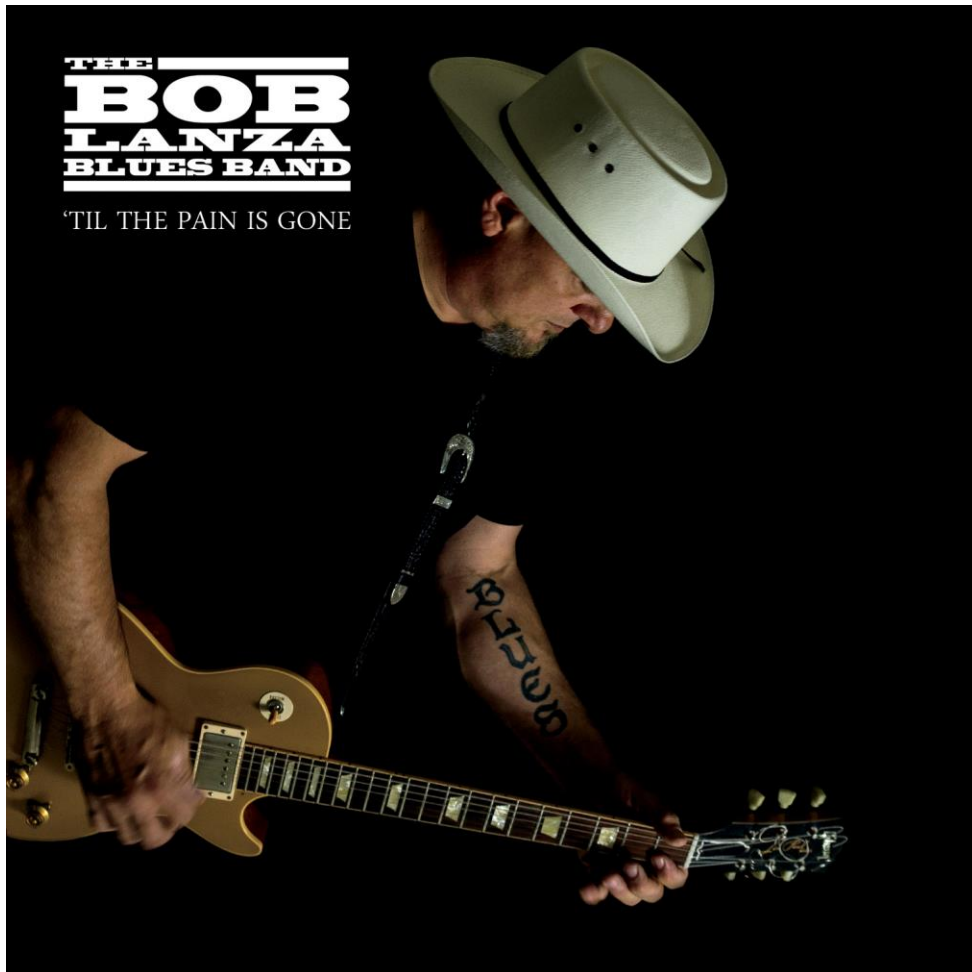


THE
BOB
LANZA
BLUES BAND

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There is only one way to play the blues: From the heart with ferocity as if your life depends on it.

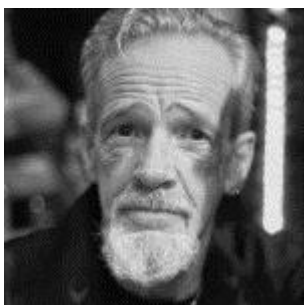
Singer, songwriter and guitarist Bob Lanza from the wilds of north New Jersey leaves no doubt as to motivation with a scorching second release following his debut Things Ain't So Bad (2009). Years with Floyd Phillips and the Mudflaps and backing legends like James Cotton prepared his audition as a new blues guitar hero.

HIGHLIGHTS

- The Bob Lanza Blues Band is a tight-knit blues unit, in true Chicago, Kansas City, style with some Texas influences hanging out in north New Jersey.
- Lanza has played with a lot of local blues bands, and few of the greats. He was bandleader for Floyd Phillips and The Mudflaps for four years in the late 90's into late 2001 when Floyd passed away. The Band has backed James Cotton and Nashville legend Dave Perkins.
- The Reverend Sandy Joren on bass and vocals, is from Leary Georgia. He came north in the early 80's, where he met up with Bob in 1991 to fill in on bass. He has been there ever since. Harmonicist Snakeman Runyan was schooled by the master James Cotton. Snakeman brings charisma and energy to every performance – the perfect fit to Bob's guitar playing, they play off of one another so well. The Plainfield NJ native adds just the right amount of "grease" to the recipe that makes up the sound of the band. Noel Sagerman on drums; he plays just as sweet as his persona!!!
- The band represented the New York Blues & Jazz Society at the 2011 International Blues Challenge.
- The Bob Lanza Blues Band was recognized and showcased as one of today's best blues bands in popular online show Raw Blues: The Series.



Bob Lanza



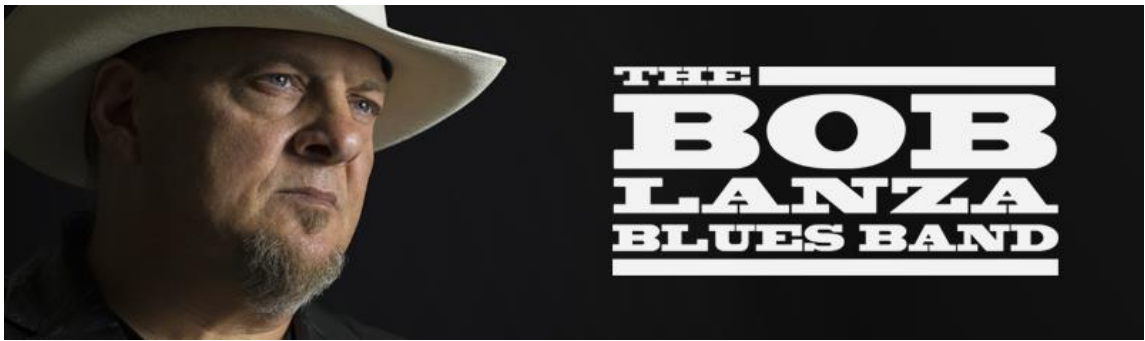
Snakeman Runyan



Rev. Sandy Joren



Noel Sagerman



REVIEWS

“...This white, blues howler from Jersey knows his way around the west side of Chicago courtesy to misspending his youth hanging around with cats like James Cotton...”

Chris Spector, Mid West Records

“...His many years with Floyd Phillips and backing James Cotton has helped him establish himself as an experienced emerging new artist. After hearing his first album, I wondered why I had never heard Lanza, a guitar slinger of this caliber...”

Rick Davis, Crossroads Blues Society

“...Bob Lanza’s blues will buoy your spirits when you’re feeling good, and be your best friend thru the hard times. Just sit back, listen, and let his guitar wash over you “Til’ The Pain Is Gone...”

Sheryl and Don Crow, Nashville Blues Society

“...His style is based around Muddy’s urban blues, but he pulls in bits and pieces from Jump blues, Texas shuffles, and a deck stacked with Kings. Lanza’s blues are an amalgamation of traditional styles that form a singular vision of 21st Century Blues...”

Jim Kanavy, Blues Blast Magazine

“...What it is that gives a blues band true power is the ability to connect with the heart and soul of the audience. The Bob Lanza Blues Band has that ability...”

Bill Wilson

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