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BLUES GUITARIST MICHAEL WILLIAMS JOINS JONNY LANG FOLLOWED BY BUDDY GUY FOR FALL TOUR DATES

New CD – FIRE RED – To Be Celebrated On Tour

Album Produced By Grammy Award Winning Producer – Eddie Kramer

October, 2011 – After joining musical legend, Buddy Guy, Jonny Lang, Eric Johnson and Robert Cray on their summer tour, the **Michael Williams Band** has been asked to return this fall for the fall leg of Buddy's U.S. Tour, starting November 4th in Rahway, NJ and finishing on November 20th in Newark, OH. Just prior to the November run, The Michael Williams Band once again joined Jonny Lang for a 3-date California swing hitting Northern California at Napa's Uptown Theatre before heading south for two shows in the Los Angeles area. See below for full itinerary.

Of the first show in Napa, online magazine Spinning Platters had this to say about the live show. *"Williams sat center stage with his guitar on his lap, playing it lap steel style. I was already impressed, and when Jonny (Lang) said later in the evening, "Everybody's gonna know about him... You can say you saw him first!" I found myself nodding in agreement."*

The Next Great Blues Guitarist may just be Michael Williams. Blending a mastery of traditional blues, soulful songwriting, dynamic voice, blistering licks, and intense performance energy, Michael is bridging the fan-gap between the traditional blues lovers and his younger, rock n roll-based audience. Drawing inspiration from his own bloodline of Blues musicians including his father, Larry Junior Medlow Williams, a legend in the Texas Blues Circuit of the 80's and 90's, Michael is quickly earning a name for himself among the musical elite.

After performing at the Waterfront Blues Festival in Portland, OR, Kyle O'Brien, writer for The Oregonian said, *"Those who were there, including mimosa-drinking revelers rising from the boats, anchored by the festival grounds, were treated to a caffeinated jolt awake by the Michael Williams Band, a rocking Seattle blues quartet rooted in the music of Jimi Hendrix"*.

Currently, the band is celebrating the summer release of their new album, FIRE RED, produced by the multi Grammy-award winning producer and engineer, Eddie Kramer. Kramer is revered for his lifelong work with Jimi Hendrix, Led Zeppelin, KISS, The Rolling Stones, and Buddy Guy, as well as countless other Grammy-award winning blues and music legends in addition to being one of the founders of Electric Lady Studios in NY.

Recording with Williams on FIRE RED as well as performing live on stage is a powerful trio of accomplished musicians; Ryan Shea Smith on keyboard, Gerald Mugboat Turner II on bass, and Darin Watkins on drums. It is by no coincidence that they all are products of the Great Seattle Music Scene, which arguably could be one of the most influential cities for rock, jazz, R&B, and soul music by bringing us such talents as Jimi Hendrix and Quincy Jones.

Michael Williams Band Fall CD Release Tour

10/28/2011 - NAPA, CA UPTOWN THEATRE w JONNY LANG

10/29/2011 - AGOURA HILLS, CA - CANYON CLUB w JONNY LANG

10/30/2011 - ANAHEIM, CA - HOUSE OF BLUES w JONNY LANG

11/04/2011 - RAHWAY, NJ - UNION COUNTY PAC w BUDDY GUY

11/05/2011 - BALTIMORE, MD - RAMS HEAD w BUDDY GUY

11/06/2011 - ALLENTOWN, PA - SYMPHONY HALL w BUDDY GUY

11/09/2011 - PORTLAND, ME - STATE THEATER w BUDDY GUY

11/10/2011 - RIDGEFIELD, CT - RIDGEFIELD PLAYHOUSE w BUDDY GUY

11/11/2011 - PITTSBURGH, PA - MOONDOGS (SOLO SHOW)

11/16/2011 - GLENSIDE, PA - KESWICK w BUDDY GUY

11/17/2011 - NEW YORK, NY - BB KINGS BLUES CLUB (w DELBERT MCCLINTON)

11/18/2011 - HERSHEY, PA - HERSHEY THEATRE w BUDDY GUY

11/20/2011 - NEWARK, OH - MIDLAND THEATRE w BUDDY GUY

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For a behind the scenes look at the recording of Fire Red: <http://goo.gl/2Ve9s>

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