



## 2023 Muddy Award Finalists

### Contemporary Blues Act

Ty Curtis Band  
Kevin Selfe & the Tornadoes  
Ben Rice & the PDX Hustle

### Lloyd Jones R & B Act:

Ben Rice & the PDX Hustle  
LaRhonda Steele & the Steele  
Family Band  
Vintage Soul  
Chad Rupp & Sugar Roots  
Norman Sylvester

### Traditional Blues Act

Tevis Hodge, Jr.  
Johnny Wheels & the Swamp  
Donkeys  
Bottleneck Blues Band  
Lloyd Jones  
Curtis Salgado & Alan Hager

### New Act:

TJ Wong Trio  
Taylor Newville  
Kivett Bednar Band

### Regional Act:

Ben Rice & the PDX Hustle  
Polly O'Keary & the Rhythm  
Method  
Rae Gordon Band  
Johnny Wheels & the Swamp  
Donkeys

### Female Vocalist:

Rae Gordon  
Lisa Mann  
Ms. Vee (Valyria Arnold)

### Male Vocalist:

Chad Rupp  
Johnny Wheels (John Kennicott)  
Ben Rice

### Electric Guitar

Ben Rice  
Alan Hager  
TJ Wong

### Acoustic Guitar:

Tevis Hodge, Jr.  
Alan Hager  
Ellen Whyte

### Keyboard:

Steve Kerin  
Pat McDougall  
Brady T. Goss

### Drums:

Brian Foxworth  
Dave Melyan  
Edwin Coleman III  
Alec Donn

### Bass

Timmer Blakely  
Lisa Mann  
Calen Uhlig

### Harmonica:

Kim Field  
Johnny Wheels (John Kennicott)  
Joel Astley  
Curtis Salgado

### Horns:

Pete Moss  
PDX Hustle horn section - Pete  
Petersen & John Dover  
Soul Survivor - Chris Mercer &  
Joe-Mack McCarthy

### Venue:

Blue Diamond  
Cattfish Lou's  
Mekong Bistro

### NW Recording:

Pat McDougall - In the Key of  
Sorry  
TJ Wong - Kingdom Come  
Chad Rupp & the Sugar Roots -  
Devil Won't Get You

### Photographer:

Debra Penk  
Kelly Ralph  
Norm Eder  
Kathy Rose

### Dance Ambassador:

William Crowe  
Clarence (Clay) Clayton, Jr.  
Brenda Russell

### NW Event:

2023 Waterfront Blues Festival  
Peninsula R & B Festival  
Winter Music Festival  
NW Women's Rhythm & Blues  
Holiday Show

### Performance of the Year:

Revival Brothers Band at Mekong  
Bistro  
NW Women's Rhythm & Blues  
Holiday Show  
Bernard Allison at Peninsula R & B  
festival

### Hurley Award:

Robin Gibson  
Rebecca Rutledge  
Saron Khut (Mekong Bistro)

### Lifetime Achievement:

Alan Hager  
Rae Gordon  
Sonny Hess