Roharpo the Bluesman

**“Blues Is My Business”**

Roosevelt Lands affectionately known as “RO” to friends and close associates, Ro is known also as “Roharpo the Bluesman for his soulful sound and unique harmonica playing.

Born in New Orleans and raised in Baton Rouge Louisiana ,a young age he began to learn how the down home blues sound gets you deep in your soul and bring people together to feel the spiritual awarness that comes from the blues…

Roharpo is a celebration of music and life, he will make you feel inspired and move you with every vibe of his blues music deep down in your Soul.

Being a self-taught harmonica player, not picking up a harmonica until later in his years, He worked hard to get where he feels good about the creativeness of being a harmonica player. He was influenced by great blues musicians like; Junior Wells , Sonny Boy Williams ,Little Walter and James Cotton who also played with Muddy Waters, These players helped him create his own style of playing the harmonica, Its strong in sound and entertaining. With his roots firmly set in the old southern blues music and his soulful singing….

In 2015 Roharpo has been in two competitions, where he won; The West Coast Blues challenge, performing in the Hayward Russell Festival & the Oakland Art & Soul Festival. Winning the Golden Gate Blues Society International Blues Challenge, he now will be competing in Memphis 2016 in the International Blues Challenge.

In 2016 it just got better, Winning several awards , playing numerous Venues and being featured in magazines and newspapers .

He is featured in the Smithsonian Sept 2016 ISSUE... Singer and Harmonica Player Roharpo from a family of Gospel & Blues musician, a Semifinalist at the International Blues Challenge ... Got to Read it.

Roharpo the Bluesman up for 3 awards by the 2017 Northern California Entertainers Music Awards Committee, Best Male Blues Artist, Best Blues Band & Entertainer of the year

June 30, 2016 Time Out Stockton News by Tony Sauro ... Roharpo the Bluesman Telling a tale though Music, THE BLUES

May 29, 2016 Roharpo the Bluesman voted The Best Male Blues Artist of the Year by The Northern California Entertainers Music Awards

Roharpo the Bluesman makes the 2016 Semi Finalist International Blues Challenge Band in Memphis

Roharpo the Bluesman wins the 2016 GOLDEN GATE BLUES SOCIETY INTERNATIONAL BLUES CHALLENGE BAND CATEGORY

Roharpo the Bluesman Plays the Oakland Art & Soul Festival Blues Stage after winning the West Coast Blues Challenge

It’s just the start of what this man is trying to do, but one thing he knows is that Blues is his business & His business is Blues…..