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**MicroTime Tour rocks the blues scene with Overtones and Harmonic Rhythms in Tri-city tour.**

FreeNote Music announces the MicroTime Tour featuring New York City's Harmonically Tuned electric blues ensembles, **13 O'Clock Blues Band** and **Willie McBlind**, both led by innovative guitarist and composer, **Jon Catler**. MicroTime will cut a swath of the Northeast, with appearances slated in Jersey City, Boston and New York City.

The MicroTime Tour will kick off with a performance featuring 13 O'Clock Blues Band in Jersey City, New Jersey at the historic Barrow Mansion as part of the JC Fridays series on Friday, June 5<sup>th</sup>, at 8pm. Jon Catler will usher in the evening with a discussion and demonstration of his unique musical ideas revolving around Harmonically Tuned Blues. Admission is FREE with donations at the door voluntary; [www.jcfridays.com](http://www.jcfridays.com). Moving north to Boston, 13 O'Clock Blues Band and Willie McBlind will play a double bill show at the Lily Pad in the creative hub of Inman Square in Cambridge, MA on Thursday, June 11<sup>th</sup> from 7-10pm; Admission \$15 at the door; [www.lily-pad.net](http://www.lily-pad.net). On Friday June 12<sup>th</sup> at 7pm, Jon Catler will lead members of 13 O'Clock Blues Band alongside singing partner Babe Borden in a presentation of Harmonic Music at The Cathedral of St. Paul in downtown Boston, including a lecture demonstration where Catler will discuss how Harmonic Rhythm and Harmonic Lyric concepts can be derived from the pure intervals of the Harmonic Series and also features a microtonal guitar demonstration; Admission at door \$15. [www.stpaulboston.org](http://www.stpaulboston.org). The MicroTime Tour lands on the Upper West Side of Manhattan on Friday, June 19<sup>th</sup> at 8pm at The Triad. This show will highlight charismatic electric Delta blues act Willie McBlind in the release of its eagerly awaited second CD, *Bad Thing*, with 13 O'Clock Blues Band capping off the evening. The show will begin with a discussion and demonstration of Harmonic Blues led by Catler. Admission at door \$15. [www.thetriadnyc.com](http://www.thetriadnyc.com).

At the helm of **13 O'Clock Blues Band**, Jon Catler has received a grant from Meet The Composer's Creative Connections to present his work in all 3 cities, giving the audience the opportunity to glimpse inside Catler's progressive ideas on Harmonic Rhythm. Known for his work with legendary composer La Monte Young, Catler has delved deeply into the Harmonic Series producing long form pieces that glean rhythmic and lyrical material directly from the Overtone Series.

**Willie McBlind** will kick off the release of its second CD, *Bad Thing*, as part of the MicroTime Tour. As articulated by Downbeat blues columnist and 2007 Blues Foundation Keeping the Blues Alive awardee in Journalism, Frank-John Hadley, "The **Willie McBlind** band's timing is consummate. In this stagnant decade for the blues, with most of the idiomatic action sadly relegated to the obituary column, the New York City-based quartet fronted by virtuosic guitarist Jon Catler and talented singer Meredith "Babe" Borden offers a singularly exciting type of electric blues. Willie McBlind uses the pitches or tones found between the notes of the traditional Western scale to create a mesmerizing pitch-and-rhythm vernacular Catler calls "Harmonic blues." Behind the entertainment, attentive listeners feel a fervid creative intelligence and a heart present in the microtonal blues of the new Willie McBlind album, *Bad Thing*--set for release on June 1, 2009, courtesy of FreeNote Records."

For more information, visit [www.microtones.com](http://www.microtones.com)

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**June 2009 MicroTime Tour with 13 O'Clock Blues Band and Willie McBlind**

**Friday, June 5th, 8-10pm\***

featuring: 13 O'Clock Blues Band  
JC Fridays @ The Barrow Mansion  
83 Wayne Street  
Jersey City, NJ  
FREE w/voluntary donation  
Info line: 201-413-9200

\*performance includes pre-show lecture/demonstration with Jon Catler  
[www.jcfridays.com](http://www.jcfridays.com)

**Thursday, June 11, 7-10pm**

featuring: Willie McBlind and 13 O'Clock Blues Band  
The Lily Pad  
Inman Square, 1353 Cambridge Street  
Cambridge, MA  
\$15 @ door  
[www.lily-pad.net](http://www.lily-pad.net)

**Friday, June 12, 7-9pm**

featuring: performance symposium with Jon Catler and members of the 13 O'Clock Blues Band  
The Cathedral Church of St. Paul  
138 Tremont Street  
Boston, MA  
\$15 @ door  
[www.stpaulboston.org](http://www.stpaulboston.org)

**Friday, June 19, 7-10pm\***

featuring: Willie McBlind CD release show with 13 O'Clock Blues Band  
The Triad  
158 W 72nd Street  
New York, NY 10023  
\$15 @ door (w/two drink minimum)  
[www.triadnyc.com](http://www.triadnyc.com)  
info: 212-362-2590

\*performance includes pre-show lecture/demonstration with Jon Catler

performers: Jon Catler, fretless and Just Intonation guitars; Babe Borden, vocals and autoharp;  
Lorne Watson, drums; Mat Fieldes, bass; Joseph Liebhart and Dane Johnson, 12-Tone Ultra Plus guitars  
(13 O'Clock Blues Band)

**[www.microtones.com](http://www.microtones.com)**

**[www.myspace.com/williemcblind](http://www.myspace.com/williemcblind)**

**[www.13oclockbluesband.com](http://www.13oclockbluesband.com)**

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