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CELEBRATING 24 YEARS OF BLUES FOR CHRISTMAS AT THE YALE!

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Vancouver, BC – Blues for Christmas Benefit is celebrating its 24th year anniversary. Join us at The Yale Hotel on Sunday and Monday, December 27 and 28 for a spectacular entertainment line-up that will include many musical stars such as Kenny “Blues Boss” Wayne, Jerry Doucette, Dalannah Gail Bowen & Straight-Up, Billy Dixon’s Soul Train Express, and more!

This successful grass-roots event has been popular with Vancouver audiences since 1986. Always sold-out, Blues For Christmas brings together some of Vancouver’s finest blues bands, numerous volunteers and the business community. Proceeds from this year’s event will go to the Downtown Eastside Centre for the Arts (*DECA*), which offers a new innovative approach to supporting those in need in the downtown eastside. *DECA* (www.decentreforthearts.com) provides opportunities for creative exploration, expression and healing through participation in theatre, music, dance, painting, carving, and other forms of creative expression.

Entertainment for Sunday, December 27

Sam & Luke, Mud Bay Blues Band, Dalannah Gail Bowen & Straight-Up, Jerry Doucette, Kenny “Blues Boss” Wayne, Bradley McGilliveray, Jason Buie Band, Christine Best, plus special guests!

Entertainment for Monday, December 28

Mud Bay Blues Band, Lesismore, Gary Comeau Band, Billy Dixon’s Soul Train Express & The Solid Gold Singers, Johnny Ferreira Band, Tim Harsey Band, Sibel Thrasher, Pete & The Sneaks, Terry Edmunds Band, plus special guests!

Tickets for Blues For Christmas are \$20 in advance or \$25 at the door with proceeds donated to *DECA*. Please bring a non-perishable food item for the Greater Vancouver Food Bank Society. Doors open at 7pm. Show begins at 8pm. For more information on this and other upcoming Yale events, call 604-681-9253 or visit www.theyale.ca. The Yale is conveniently located at 1300 Granville Street in downtown Vancouver. *This event is generously sponsored by Shore 104 FM, The Georgia Straight and Okanagan Spring Brewery. Purchase your tickets early in order to avoid disappointment!*

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