

**BLUES KING - RECORDING ARTIST
GRAMMY® NOMINEE – GUITAR PHENOM - ERIC GALES -
STARTS HIS EUROPEAN LEG OF HIS SUMMER TOUR 2026**



July 7, 2026 -----Hollywood, CA. Eric Gales is starting his summer tour in Europe on July 14th in Molde, Norway, he goes on to Athens, Greece, then Brezoi, Romania and Porretta Terme, Italy before heading back to continue on in the USA. **Eric Gales** is a very successful touring artist, having performed internationally for many years. In 2025 with many tour dates, most of which were sold out shows. He has yet to announce his dates at The Blue Note in NYC, with a few mystery artists, which promises to be a sellout. As well as special guest performers at Eric Clapton's Crossroads Guitar Festival in Austin, Texas, in September this year. This October, **Eric Gales** has the honor to be a special guest performer at New York City's Radio City Music Hall, for Buddy Guy's remarkable 90th birthday celebration. His recent interview with Rick Beato has had millions of views, giving his fan base a little insight into what makes him inspired, and his music sponsorships. If all of this was not enough, he is also going to be working on a part in a film in September, but he is keeping that one under his hat.

Eric Gales Tour Dates:

July 14 - Moldejazz - Molde, Norway.

July 18 - Sweet Summer Sun Festival 2026 - Athens, Greece.

July 22 - Open Air Blues Festival 2026 - Brezoi, Romania.

July 24 & July 26 - Porretta Soul Festival - Memphis Music Hall of Fame Band w/ Eric Gales - Porretta Terme, Italy.

August 1 - George Thorogood & The Destroyers w/ Robert Cray & Eric Gales at Thunder Valley Casino - Lincoln, CA.

August 8 - Heritage Blues Festival 2026 - Wheeling, WV.

August 11- Catskill Crossroads Blues Camp 2026 - Big Indian, NY.

August 20 - Infinity Hall Hartford - Hartford, CT.

August 21 - Hot August Music Festival 2026 - Cockeysville, MD.

August 22 - Stage One at FTC - Fairfield, CT.

August 23 - Greenwich Odeum - East Greenwich, RI.

August 26 - Ron Artis II w/ Eric Gales at Analog - Nashville, TN.

August 27 - The Woodshed Guitar Experience 2026 - Crossville, Tennessee.

September 12 - Dragonfly Music Festival 2026 - Escondido, California.

October 1 - Buddy's Got the Blues: A 90th Birthday Concert - Celebration at Radio City Music Hall - New York, NY.

February 21 - Rock Legends Cruise XIV 2027 - Miami, FL.

There is only one **Eric Gales**, an unmistakable tone, with smokey powerhouse vocals, truly a force of nature. But **Eric Gales** is so much more, he is finally breaking out of his previous blues/rock label. He has a wealth of music knowledge and incorporates all different genres, blues, rock, smooth jazz, jazz fusion, and rhythm and blues, into his remarkable talent. He says, "Music is my life and my life is music, all kinds of music - they both go hand in hand, it is truly all I know".

On the heels of his stellar performance at this year's BET Awards, Lauryn Hill called her audience to attention, announcing, "**Eric Gales** on Guitar, come on **Eric Gales**, turn it up!" Lauryn and The BET audience were simply mesmerized. The YouTube version of this has gone viral – **Eric Gales** Shredding his guitar with Lauryn Hill. Proving what all of his fans already know, he is the king of rhythm guitar, electrifying audiences at every given moment. Another current high energy collaboration that's breaking the internet and social media is Bootsy Collins release of metal-funk cover of Jimi Hendrix's "Manic Depression". And Cactus Records just released **Eric Gales** featured in a video of Howlin' Wolf's "Back Door Man". His guitar slaying can only be compared to the likes of Jimi Hendrix, Jeff Beck, BB King, Stevie Ray Vaughn, Albert King, Eric Clapton, Buddy Guy, to name a few.

With the collaboration of **Eric Gales** sexy, seductive style of iconic guitar riffs, the band Red Hands project "Kinfolk", has had an unprecedented climb to the top of both Billboards Gospel and Blues charts in minutes of its release. **Eric Gales** adding his

identifiable mark on this project, the first time ever rising to both charts - is nothing short of phenomenal.

Eric Gales, also known as “Raw Dawg,” is a guitar prodigy known for his left-handed, upside-down, backwards playing style on a guitar meant for a right-handed player. **Gales** picked up the guitar at age four. His older siblings, Eugene and Manuel (Little Jimmy King), taught him songs and licks when he was young. Emerging as a child star in the early '90s, facing significant struggles with addiction and incarceration for decades, but ultimately achieving critical acclaim. And it also helps that he has a musical superstar in his family, Carlos Santana is his Godfather.

Eric Gales’ time is now. A rule-breaking, genre-fusing force of nature, hailed by giants like Joe Bonamassa, Dave Navarro and Mark Tremonti as one of the best guitarists on the planet. There comes a time when every musician must look their past squarely in the eye. And while **Gales’** latest release, on Provogue/Artone Records, “A Tribute To LJK”, garnering his second GRAMMY® nomination, is a thrillingly modern record for the here-and-now, it’s also a nod to his bloodline and the roots of his family tree. **Eric’s** brother, Little Jimmy King died suddenly in 2002 at the age of 37. A left-handed guitarist who strung his instrument upside down just like his brother, his music was a scorching brand of Memphis blues that fused electric blues with the grit of soul, the groove of funk, and the edge of rock.

Eric Gales has so many accolades, in 2017 his project “Bookends” reached #1 on The Billboard Charts as well as his last project, “Crown.” He racked up a handful of BMA Awards, he was given the key to his hometown, as well as other notable cities, and got a star on the famously known Beale Street. **Eric** was also featured in the 2025 Academy Award winner for Best Picture – Sinners with composer Ludwig Goransson, where he performed at the 2026 Oscars in Hollywood, as well as 2026 GRAMMY’S®.

Grand Closin': Features **Eric Gales'** guitar work in a powerful, bluesy finale for the film's score, and Elijah: Showcases his instrumental blues guitar skills, blending them with the orchestral score.

No stranger to fame, **Eric Gales** star is shining so bright. **Eric Gales** is a born entertainer, captivating fans wherever he plays. He still has his humble beginnings, but his talent is so pure, he is bound to light the world on fire very soon.

BET Awards:

<https://www.youtube.com/shorts/ttXaqJH8Gi8>

Rick Beato Interview:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8sPpncwIHqU>

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