

Michael Hardie

bio



Michael Hardie is first and foremost a writer with a global view who always lets his Texas roots shine through his music. He writes about a variety of subjects, always focusing on the underlying love that we all need in our lives. For this reason many of his songs are about personal relationships and the joy and struggle of sharing life with those we love. His new release "Real" seeks to make the message clear once again that "True Love Never Dies."

By the time Michael reached Berlin (where he recorded "Berlin Demos" in 1996) he had already spent 20 years defining his craft. He began in Houston in the early '70's at age 19 where he opened for Blues Legend Lightnin' Hopkins. This led to 10 years in Los Angeles where he opened for Buddy Guy and Junior Wells in 1987 at the Long Beach Blues Festival. He spent most of his time in the studio recording his songs with musicians like Jesse Ed Davis (John Lennon's favorite guitarist).

Through the years Michael has recorded his songs with greats such as Chuck Rainey, Stephen Bruton and Milton Hopkins (cousin of Lightnin' and former rhythm guitarist for B.B. King). Milton became a lifetime friend and mentor for Michael and they would go on to record two Blues albums of Michael's original music, "Houston Blues" (1991) and "Waiting For Perfection" (2008). Milton also appears on two tracks on "Real" (2014).

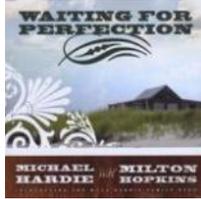
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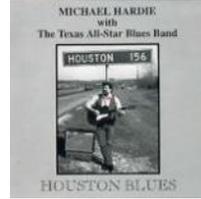
Real 2014



Waiting For
Perfection 2008



The Berlin Demos
1996



Houston Blues
1991

Songs

<i>REAL</i>	05:18
<i>Angel Of Berlin 1</i>	05:02
<i>I Walk Alone</i>	06:16
<i>Waiting For Perfection 1</i>	05:21
<i>PLEASE DON'T CALL IT</i>	02:59
<i>LOVE</i>	
<i>Pretenders Blues</i>	04:14



Hector Saldana CD Review

<http://blog.mysanantonio.com/weekender/2014/08/hardie-says-goodbye-at-cd-release-party/>

SAN ANTONIO EXPRESS NEWS

Singer-songwriter Michael Hardie with the help of his talented piano-playing daughter, Myla Hardie, adding bluesy harmony vocals and the Infidels' Michael Martin and George Batista - pulled off a casual, relaxed and, at times, haphazard CD release party Thursday at Joe Blue's at Blue Star Art Complex. In other words, perfect for a gig celebrating a 10-song record called "Real." Indeed, sometimes it was kept very real with Hardie (who played acoustic guitar and piano) calling out chord changes to Martin (who added sweet licks on Fender Stratocaster) and Batista, who played mandolin. He called out songs as it suited him.

A seasoned artist, Hardie is an unabashed Van Morrison disciple but with an easygoing personality shining through, as well as a distinct Memphis groove. Hints of Delbert McClinton and James Taylor abound.

Hardie's CD (recorded at Blue Cat Studio in Southtown) is one of the best local albums of 2014.

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Luc Meert Belgian CD Review of

<http://www.rootstime.be/CD%20REVIEUW/2014/SEP1/CD144.html>

What do you get when you create an entire album around it quite universal theme of "Love"? Michael Hardie ventured out and the result can be heard on his album "Real" now.

Hardie is a songwriter and in his songs you hear all his Texas Roots allows seepage. On his latest album is no different, with varying success, he knows how to translate to various songs.

Not to mention, of course, that Michael had already opened at age 19, early 70s for giants like Lightnin' Hopkins and in the 80s to include Buddy Guy and Junior Wells! his songs he recorded with other heroes like Jesse Ed Davis (John Lennon's favorite guitarist). Also dates his collaboration with Milton Hopkins, cousin of Lightnin' and later became a mentor to Hardie from that period. But now "Real" So when Hardie explores all facets of love and reflects on aspects such as the excellent title track that opens the album. Eight original songs with titles like "Please, Do not Call It Love", "You Hurt Me, Baby", etc.

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