

Hollywood Independent Music Awards (HIM Awards) Nominates Stevie Hawkins For Blues Artist

Emphasis Records joins our label's iconic blues music artist Stevie Hawkins in celebration as yet another milestone is achieved in the career of this amazingly talented recording artist.



Atlanta, Georgia Jun 25, 2023 ([Issuewire.com](https://www.issuewire.com)) - Globally acclaimed blues/soul music vocalist, drummer, and songwriter Stevie Hawkins is nominated for 'Blues Artist' in the inaugural 2023 Hollywood Independent Music Awards (HIM Awards). Hawkins' nomination is based in part upon the performance and songwriting of his newest single release "Movin' Down The Road." The 2023 HIM Awards event will

take place on August 17, 2023, at The Avalon theater in the entertainment capital of the world, Hollywood, California. The evening will feature live performances, a VIP dinner banquet, celebrity presenters, a red carpet, and award presentations.

Hawkins recently took home seven accolades among an international collective of major independent artists at the Indie Music Channel Awards, hosted at the historic Sunset Gower Movie Studios in Hollywood. He won awards for: Best Blues Artist, Best Songwriter (Blues), Best Live Blues Performance, Best Blues Producer, Best Live Performance (Rock), Artist of the Year, and Producer of the Year.

"It's great and very humbling being nominated by my peers for this 'Blues Artist' award. Thank you so much to the nominating panel for recognizing me and my song "Movin' Down The Road." Being nominated for this award is a true honor and a testament to the hard work and dedication I have put into my music career. I am committed to continuing to create music that speaks to the soul, inspires and uplifts people everywhere. Greatest respect and congratulations to all HIM Awards nominees, everyone of you are incredibly talented and I'm honored to be among you," said Hawkins.

Stevie Hawkins' new single, "Movin' Down The Road" is a driving, infectious blues-rock song featuring Spencer Kirkpatrick, a lauded guitarist and founding member of Hydra, a time-honored 1970s southern rock band, that released albums on Capricorn Records, Polydor Records, and Emphasis Records.

Tom Stevens, Emphasis Records CEO, said, "Stevie Hawkins plays an important role in the future of blues music. He sings and plays with edge, vitality, and verve. Not only does he represent maintaining the integrity and legacy of past great American blues artists, but he also represents an example and creative growth for the next generation of real American blues artists. In my opinion, he is one of the most expressive undiscovered vocalists and drummers of his generation, selling the emotion of every line he sings and treating the songs he sings and plays like ecosystems that stretch and blossom after tilling and sunlight. Stevie is way overdue the recognition that he deserves, and we intend to change that now."

Emphasis Records is an independent Southeastern United States record label with an emphasis solely on releasing music recordings performed by real musicians and singers. It is owned and operated by seasoned and knowledgeable professional musicians with over four decades of combined record label, music publishing, on-stage performing, and studio experience. According to the record company's mission statement, it reads: "We believe in our artists and their abilities, and we allow them the freedom to express their art without creative confinement. Our brand of music releases is steeped in the traditional roots of true-to-form classic Blues, Rock, Southern Rock, Folk, Celtic, Soul, Funk, and Rhythm & Blues."

"Stevie Hawkins is an incredibly talented artist who sets the standard for maintaining the integrity of blues and soul music as well as its innovation and creativity. He believes in hard work, dedication, and determination, and he loves what he does in music with passion. Those characteristics are helping him achieve his music-industry goals one by one," said Dr. Gerald Murray, owner of Gerald Murray Music LLC, an artist management and booking agency in Muscle Shoals, Alabama. Murray continued to say, "It is an incredible achievement for Stevie to be selected among the best, and he deserves to be among them. I look forward to representing this amazingly multi-talented artist for future tour and show bookings."

Recently, Hawkins conducted a live multi-track and eight-camera promotional video recording with his band at the Capitol Theatre in Greeneville, Tennessee to utilize for 2023-2024 concert bookings. Stevie

will be working with legendary artist manager and booking agent, Dr. Gerald Murray and Gerald Murray Music LLC, initiating a campaign for concert bookings with his band in the United States, Canada, and Europe. Since 1978, Murray has been professionally involved in the music business representing major recording artists as a manager and booking agent, including George Jones, Vern Gosdin, Doug Stone, Georgette Jones, Shenandoah, Lacy J. Dalton, Bryan White, Billy Dean, Stella Parton, T. Graham Brown, Paulette Carlson (Hwy 101).

The Hollywood Independent Music Awards is a premier global platform for independent music. Emerging and established artists, songwriters, composers, and audio recording professionals around the world are recognized for their outstanding contributions and content creation. Founded by Brent Harvey, Executive Producer of the Hollywood Music in Media Awards, the HIMAwards Advisory Board is composed of some of the industry's most respected and seasoned professionals.

<https://himawards.com>

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About Stevie Hawkins:

For 50 years, recording artist Stevie Hawkins has remained steadfast in touring the world performing and is no stranger to the big stage and recording studio. He is an adept, seasoned, soulful singer, musician, entertainer, songwriter, and music producer. Thus far in his career, Stevie has released three albums and five singles and amassed twenty awards as a singer, songwriter, and musician. He is a GRAMMY Participation Recipient in The Rolling Stones "Blue and Lonesome" album, which won 'Best Traditional Blues Album' in the 60th Annual GRAMMY Awards; recipient of four gold and eight multi-platinum RIAA Certified Record Awards for creative involvement and contribution those album projects; recipient of a Warner Bros. Pictures "Director's Choice Song Award" for contribution to the Oscar-winning film "Judas and the Black Messiah," and others. Since the mid-1970s, As a sideman, Hawkins has played drums for legendary blues, rock, and country music icons Chuck Berry, Albert King, John Lee Hooker, Leon Russell, Johnny Rodriguez, Buddy Cannon, Doug Stone, Ed Bruce, Jim Ed Brown, Miles Grayson, Percy Sledge, Chick Willis, Rufus Thomas, James Cotton, Willie Hill, and Harvey Scales, among others.

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Official music video • "Movin' Down The Road" - Stevie Hawkins

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=V-6OMQ_X4fI

Movin' Down The Road

Stevie Hawkins • Music & Lyrics

Spencer Kirkpatrick • Music & Lyrics

Credits:

Stevie Hawkins • Vocals, Bass, Drums, Organ and Harmonica

Spencer Kirkpatrick • Guitars

Produced, engineered, mixed and arranged by Stevie Hawkins

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