

Blue Tongue Harmonica

Interactive workshops to get your team on track

High energy educator and performer, Doug Lyons, and his professional Blues Band, Blue Tongue Harmonica, bring people together for team building, corporate events, road shows, parties and celebrations.

Blue Tongue Harmonica leads groups of 10 to 500 people through interactive shows and workshops including the blues harmonica rhythm trains, blues harp jams, short ice breakers and full blown blues improvisation. Blue Tongue Harmonica workshops excite and unite large and small groups of people, in the process showcasing cooperative group dynamics and communication skills.

The Blues Preachers, Doug Lyons's performance band, take you to another place and time, somewhere between 1920 and 1940. Their music paints a landscape of pre-war struggle and determination with sounds reminiscent of The Deep South. The Blues Preachers perform a fusion of good old blues, rags, gospel and hillbilly folk.

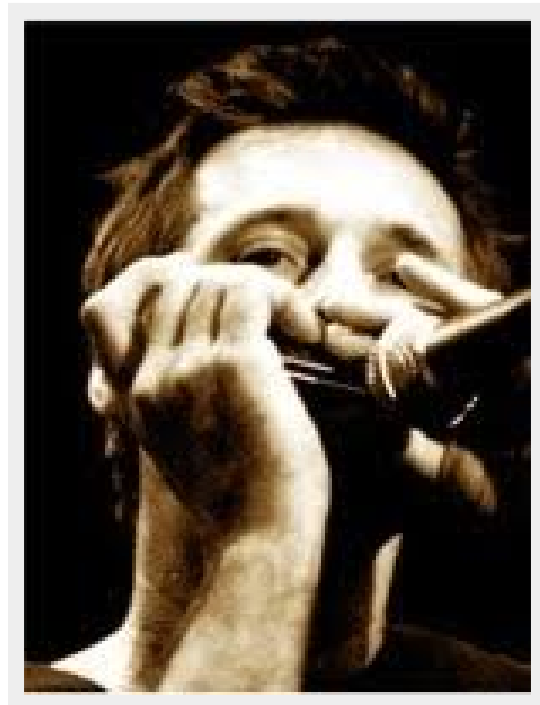
About Doug Lyons:

Doug Lyons is a highly qualified educator & performer with over 25 years experience behind him. Through Blue Tongue Harmonica, Doug Lyons has been teaching the wonders of the harmonica in workshops, private lessons & corporate groups throughout Australia

Doug's passion for the harmonica has seen him perform & spread the sound of the humble harp in television & radio, including *ABC Radio*, Channel Nine's *Today Show* & Channel Seven's *Sunrise*. Doug Lyons has also composed & performed music for the TV Show *Dining Down Under* and has four times been guest Judge at Tamworth Country Music Festival Golden Harmonica Championships. Doug Lyons is the founder of The Sydney Harmonica Festival, which is committed to showcasing the best of Australian, & international harmonica players. He currently plays with The Blues Preachers.

Workshops & Performances:

The Blues Harmonica Team Train - This is the Blue Tongue Harmonica's main team-building tool. Everyone is given a harmonica to play, creating a harmonica 'band' that is accompanied by



the Blue Tongue musicians and facilitators on an exhilarating rhythmic adventure.

Blues Jam - Participants are grouped then combined in sections to improvise a complete blues progression. During these events, surprise and fun reign supreme. Each group member receives a complimentary harmonica that can be branded with your company logo.

The Blues Preachers - The Blues Preachers will make you want to get up and dance with their joyful country and ragtime blues, and send a shiver down your spine with their atmospheric feels - echoing and paying homage to the sacred sounds of early artists such as Blind Willie Johnson.

Client testimonials

“ Your ability to hold the attention of 200 sales people for as long as you did was equally as impressive as your ability to actually teach them some of your craft. We have been inundated with calls this week from our guests thanking us for such a unique experience, and complimenting you on the after dinner Blues performance.

- *Hyundai Capital*

“ Who knew that a crash-course in blues harmonica would be just the thing to inspire a virtually all-female group of young television execs. In just one hour, Doug managed to get the team playing together and having a blast in the process, without having to resort to any of the cheesy team-building stuff we've all seen before. I'd recommend Doug to anyone looking to give their people a fun, fresh and authentic experience they'll remember for years.

- *Arena TV*

“ Most of our delegates listed your session in the top 3 highlights from the whole of conference. This is a real testimonial to you as they had other high profile guest entertainers like Delta Goodrem, David Campbell and Jimmy Barnes - yet they took more away from your performance and the harmonica training you provided. The format of your session was so adaptable to our requirements which was fantastic. I would recommend you not only for team building sessions or conferences but also as guest entertainers. I don't think anyone knew how truly entertaining a blues harmonica jam session could be.

- *Dan Murphy*

“ It was so wonderful to see & listen to Blue Tongue Harmonica perform. I could have sat there for hours just listening to their music. It was also fantastic to see our delegates performing in their groups. A number of our staff have mentioned to me that they performed for their families when they got home. It was a great activity to energise everyone after lunch.



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