



Steve Kozak Band

“You only need three things to play the Blues: a good guitar, an innate understanding of the Blues and thirty years in which to do it. Steve Kozak qualifies on all three counts.”

One of Canada’s finest blues artists, Vancouver born, **Steve Kozak** has been turning heads of blues fans in Canada for over thirty years since he first broke onto the Vancouver scene in the mid-eighties.

When it comes to tasty west coast blues guitar, **Kozak’s** name is at the top of the list in this nation - just ask greats like **Duke Robillard** and **James Harman** who have performed with this gifted bandleader, instrumentalist, writer and singer.

Gaining national recognition in 2013, Steve Kozak won a prestigious Maple Blues Award for New Artist or Group of the Year. The Steve Kozak Band has twice been nominated for a Western Canadian Music Award as Blues Artist of the Year in 2017 and 2018 and was nominated for a 2017 Fraser Valley Music Award in the Blues category.

Backed by his some of Vancouver’s top musicians Kozak has built a reputation as one of Canada’s premier Blues acts and is known as the go to guy in Vancouver for the west coast Blues sound.

The Steve Kozak Band features: **Steve Kozak**, guitar and vocal, **Michael Kalanj**, piano and organ (Powder Blues Band, Jim Byrnes, Spencer Davis, Chris Isaak), **Roger Brant**, bass guitar, (Amos Garrett, Brent Parkin and Hound Dog, David Burgin) and **'Steady Rollin' John Nolan on the drums** (Sonny Phillips, Jimmy Smith, Mose Allison, Joe Pass, Linton Garner, Wynton Marsalis, Herb Ellis, Tal Farlow, Charlie Byrd).

“Kozak’s fluid playing and razor sharp band are perfectly suited to his brand of passionate, exuberant jump blues. They may hail from Vancouver, but they have Chicago in their soul.”

— [100 Percent Rock Magazine: Reviewed by Shane Pinnegar](#)