

# *The Ragtime* **Jug Orchestra**

*All Around Men for all occasions'*

*"Just get drunk and truck"*



**The Ragtime Jug Orchestra** is the authentic string-band sound of the early 20<sup>th</sup> century. Playing a good-time mix of ragtime, country blues, skiffle and jug band music, the **RJO** perform hits from the levees of St Louis, the Beale Street bars of Memphis, the back hills of Tennessee, the cotton fields of the Mississippi Delta and the sporting houses of New Orleans.

Audience participation is *always* encouraged – the **RJO** invite the audience to become the 'Orchestra' and sing along, join in on instruments they bring along, or even dance...

**John Anderson** – vocals, 12 string & National guitars, kazoos and jug

**Alan Draisey** – vocals, guitars, Dobro, mandolin, harmonica, washboard and percussion

*"absorbing...informative" Blues Matters 45*

*"a lovely old time feel and the audience all joined in enthusiastically" Blues in Britain 94*

*"exceptional musicians with a talent to entertain..." Islwyn Acoustic Club*

**The RJO** has been playing at events, parties, blues, folk and acoustic clubs, pubs and bars around Bristol, the Welsh Borders, South Wales, the Midlands and their home patch of Gloucestershire and the Forest of Dean since 1999.

Festival appearances include the *Linton Blues Festival, Gloucester International Rhythm & Blues Festival, The Great British R&B Festival, Upton Blues, Swanage Blues, Leicester City Blues, Crawley Folk Festival, Wallingford Blues Festival, The Big Session Folk Festival, Two Rivers Folk Festival, The Musician Bluegrass Festival, Summer Sundae Indie Festival* and many local events..

The **RJO** ran the **Blue Front Bluesroom** venue ([www.bluefrontbluesroom.org](http://www.bluefrontbluesroom.org)) from 2001-2011

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