



BroadwayWorld.com Award Nominee Billie Williams Offers 'The Sound of Blue' at Iridium Jazz Club, 5/14

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Nominated by

BroadwayWorld.com as "Best Female Debut" for her 2012 Metropolitan Room cabaret show, *Fade to Blues*, **Billie Williams** will be bringing an exciting new show to the Iridium Jazz Club on May 14 at 8PM. In *The Sound of Blue*, this powerful vocalist will celebrate more than six decades of classic Blues from [Robert Johnson](#) to Robert Cray.



As a teenager growing up in the Boston area, Williams co-founded the country swing band Columbus East. She went on the sing with the rock band Mezz, and then with the 8-piece R&B band City Edition, and during those years she shared the stage with R&B legends Wilson Pickett and Sam & Dave. The *Boston Globe* called Billie's performance with City Edition " . . . riveting . . . she sang of joy and heartache with equal conviction."

When the beautiful blonde Williams arrived in New York City in her late 20s, she landed a gig as lead vocalist with blues band The [Lenny Nelson](#) Project. After she gave birth to her daughter, she took a bunch of years off from performing, but got back in the scene a few years ago doing cabaret workshops and a show *Sentimental Journeys*, in which she appeared with actress/singer [Jean Tafler](#) and vocalist Tracy Toler.

Williams' new show, presented by ScoBar Entertainment and produced by BroadwayWorld.com reviewer [Stephen Hanks](#), will feature a six-piece band, including Danny Blume as Musical Director, guitarist, [Jerome Korman](#) on piano, Tony Allen on drums, Double-Z on bass, [Birch Johnson](#) on trombone, [Ken Hitchcock](#) on tenor sax.

[Billie Williams](#) and *The Sound of Blue* will be performed at the Iridium (1650 Broadway and 51st Street) on Tuesday, May 14 at 8pm pm Cover is \$25 (\$20 for MAC members) and there is a \$15 food/drink minimum. For reservations, call 212-582-2121.

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