**The Liam Ward Band Biography & Press**

The Liam Ward Band bring you **modern rhythm and blues** like you've never heard before!

Get your mojo working with the epic harp-driven sounds of **vintage American dance music**: rocking blues, west coast swing and funky, soulful roots music.

Liam Ward is a winner of the National Harmonica League **Player of the Year** and has been described by Harmonica World as "endlessly inventive". His harmonica style is a blistering blend of traditional and unconventional, producing a modern sound that is truly his own.

With one foot firmly in the past, the band also have **innovation at the heart of everything they play** and are well-known for originals that push blues boundaries, bringing you some of the freshest rhythm & blues on offer.

Debut album *Uprising* has garnered acclaim with both the public and critics and is already being hailed as a new direction for the genre. The album, in conjunction with their live work, exhibits the band's dedication to **keeping the blues alive and well** in the twenty-first century.

**Press**

*"Great harp playing - I learned something!"* - **Paul Jones, BBC Radio 2**

*"Liam Ward has become a monster harpman, capable of playing almost anything"* – **Blues in the South**

*"Shining harp, swings warmly"* - **Blues Blast (Chicago, USA)**

*"Hot rhythm, searing guitar and soulful vocals that leave you with a nice warm feeling"* – **Blues & Roots**

*"Catchy and clever but without histrionics"* – **Blues Doodles**

*"Liam plays beautifully!"*- **John Sebastian (The Lovin’ Spoonful)**

*"His playing is a joy"*- **Blues Matters**

*"Tremendous... splendid, wistful"* - **The Blues & Soul Show**

*"Good harp!"* - **David Crosby**