



TRANSCRIPT – THE BLUES: THE INTERVIEW

- **When did you start listening to the blues?**

I think I've always listened to the blues. I'm from St. Louis, Missouri, a city where blues music was very important. In fact, the hockey team from my town is called the 'St. Louis Blues'. But when I was young I listened to a lot of 'blues rock' like Eric Clapton and Led Zeppelin. So I grew up with blues, it's been part of my life.

- **Why do you like the blues?**

I like the blues because it is a music with a lot of feeling. It is honest and simple music. It also has a good rhythm. And the guitar is the most important instrument. I play the guitar and blues is one of my favourite types of music to play. I also like it because it is an authentic type of American folk music.

- **Who are your favourite artists?**

That's a difficult question. I have listened to a lot of different artists but perhaps my favourite pure blues musician is Robert Cray. He plays modern blues and a lot of his songs are about problems with love. He is also a really good singer and guitar player. I also like George Thorogood and the Destroyers. They have fun party blues.

- **Where can you hear good blues?**

I've heard many good blues musicians all over the world. You can see good blues here at the Pontevedra Blues and Jazz Festival in summer. But if you want a real authentic experience then you have to go to Beale Street in

Memphis. Or you can visit the Ground Zero Blues Club in Clarksdale, Mississippi. There you can visit the Delta Blues Museum and sleep at an old plantation, where black slaves used to work and live.

- **Anything else?**

So if you are feeling a bit sad, look for some blues music on Youtube and I'm sure you'll feel better.