

Jeffery Broussard



Overview Accordionist ¤ Fiddler ¤ Jeffery Broussard

Genre: Zydeco

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Jeffery Broussard and The Creole Cowboys: Promo Video

Jeffery Broussard has long been respected as one of the greatest accordion players to ever grace the beautiful Creole culture and for that matter the world. He is one of the most influential accordionists and vocalists in modern Zydeco music, Jeffery Broussard continues to be one of the genre's most dynamic performers. He has continually been an innovator, beginning his career with traditional Creole Zydeco music playing drums in his father's band, Delton Broussard & The Lawtell Playboys, then moving on to develop the nouveau Zydeco sound in Zydeco Force, now returning to the more traditional Zydeco sound with his own band, Jeffery Broussard and The Creole Cowboys.

Jeffery's music career started very early in life, like many other famous Zydeco musicians. At the age of 8 he started playing drums in his father's band, the renowned Delton Broussard & The Lawtell Playboys. Whenever he could, Jeffery would sneak in to the house and get his daddy's accordion down from the closet where it was stored and would teach himself how to play.

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Biography

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Jeffery Broussard was born in Lafayette, LA on March 10, 1967 to Ethel and Delton Broussard. He is the youngest of 11 children, having 5 brothers and 5 sisters, who all agree that Jeffery was the most spoiled! The family lived in Frilot Cove, LA a rural community northwest of Opelousas, on a farm where his father was a sharecropper. Jeffery grew up fishing in the bayous, riding horses across the fields with his friends, and most of all working hard. Jeffery's music career started very early in life, like many other famous Zydeco musicians. At the age of 8 he started playing drums in his father's band, the renowned Delton Broussard & The Lawtell Playboys.



"Hard to Stop" live video

After seventh grade, Jeffery left school to farm full time to help his parents make ends meet. Jeffery spent long days digging and sorting potatoes. Whenever he could, Jeffery would sneak in to the house and get his daddy's

accordion down from the closet where it was stored and would teach himself how to play. Each time he would put the accordion up, he would set it on the shelf slightly different. His dad suspected that someone was playing his accordion, but never reprimanded Jeffery for it. When Jeffery was thirteen, his father left sharecropping to work for an oil company and two years later tragedy struck the family when Jeffery's mother died of cancer.

During his teen years, Jeffery played drums in his oldest brother Clinton's band, Clinton Broussard & The Zydeco Machines. Clinton plays the old Clifton Chenier-style triple-note accordion. It was in this band that Jeffery played the accordion in public for the first time. His brother would let him play a few songs from time to time, but he was too shy to speak on stage, let alone sing. It wasn't until he joined the band Zydeco Force that he began singing. It's quite possible that without the struggle and hard times that Jeffery has experienced in life, he could not sing and play with the emotion, the soul, he expresses.

He has range seldom seen in Zydeco - from traditional songs from the old masters to originals, single note and triple-note accordion to fiddle. Whether he is playing a festival stage in front of thousands of dancers, a small theater of seated patrons, giving an interview, teaching a lesson or playing at a trail ride, his warmth, love of the music, and talent shine. Jeffery Broussard is well, the real deal. Dedicated to preserving and promoting the Creole culture and traditional Zydeco music, Jeffery plays with passion and commitment to carry on his daddy's legacy.



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COMMENDATIONS

New Orleans Jazz Fest 2012 Review By ROGER HAHN American Songwriter (May 8, 2012)

"Broussard is the show ... with virtuoso chops on the old-style button accordion, the newer pianokey accordion, and acoustic fiddle, with a voice that rivals Otis Redding 's for grit and accessibility. A consummate showman..."

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PETER ROST, River City Slim, Host of —Pine Grove Bluesl on (May 3, 2012)

"Something from Jeffery Broussard & The Creole Cowboys who are headlining the Bayou N' Boogie Festival over Memorial Day weekend. Jeffery Broussard and the Creole Cowboys, for my money they are the best traditionally oriented Zydeco band out there today. They are the best old-school players – it's the Creole Cowboys, bar none".

Zydeco! Jeff Broussard & Creole Cowboys San Juan Islander, Published: March 2012

The energetic and toe-tapping world of the American roots music, Zydeco, shakes up the Whittier stage at San Juan Community Theatre in a performance from one of the most influential accordionists and vocalists in modern Zydeco music. The Mayor of Opelousas, Louisiana ("the Zydeco Capital of the World") calls Jeffery Broussard "one

of the greatest accordion players to ever grace our beautiful Creole culture and for that matter, the world.

" Born in Lafayette, Louisiana, Broussard started his music career at the age of eight when he played drums in his father 's band, the renowned Delton Broussard & The Lawtell Playboys. By his teen years, Broussard had taught himself to play the accordion, and he began singing as well as playing. He moved on to develop the nouveau Zydeco sound in the band, Zydeco Force. Broussard and his current band, The Creole Cowboys, promise both their own brand of contemporary Zydeco and inspiring renditions of Creole classics.



Sisters series starts with zydeco -Jeffery Broussard brings his Creole Cowboys to Central Oregon

By DAVID JASPER The Bulletin, Published: January 20, 2012 How does one become a squeezeboxplaying zydeco great?

Well, if you're Jeffery Broussard, you do it by growing up on a southern Louisiana farm as the youngest (and admittedly most spoiled) child of hardworking sharecroppers. You grow up hearing and playing the musical form native to that country — an up-tempo synthesis of blues, French and Afro-Caribbean influences that prominently features the accordion — at a very early age.

Seriously, Broussard was just 8 when he began playing drums professionally in his dad's band, Delton Broussard & the Lawtell Playboys... And as the story goes, every chance he got, he'd sneak in the house, reach up on the closet shelf and take down his dad's prized accordion.

Had he not risked his father's ire, who knows who'd be kicking off Sisters Folk Festival's Winter Concert Series on Monday? As it stands, it's Broussard and his zydeco band The Creole Cowboys. Live, Broussard and his Cowboys play a mix of original and traditional tunes. —It's all traditional Creole and zydeco music. When Broussard started his own band, his mission was to —just keep doing what I'm doing, because I wanted to keep the traditional stuff going, he said. —That was my daddy's dream, to see one of his kids doing it, he said. —I chose to do it. And I've been having the band Creole Cowboys ever since.

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PETER ROST, River City Slim, Host of —Pine Grove Blues on (December 29, 2011)

Let's head down to Louisiana and listen to some great Zydeco from what is probably THE best Zydeco release of 2011, released by Jeffery Broussard & The Creole Cowboys. It's called —Return of the Creole. If Jeffery Broussard certainly, at this point in time – he is the Dean of the Zydeco accordion. I don't think there's anyone out there who can touch him on the accordion. Jeffery Broussard is the king.

Jeffery Broussard and The Creole Cowboys in New York with Elisa Monte Dance Troupe

"Mr. Broussard and his Cowboys are fabulous: You start moving in your seat as soon as their rhythmic, rich melodies, both joyous and mournful, flood the theater." Claudia La Rocco, New York Times Dance Critic. January 2009

Previous Shows

- > Gator by the Bay Zydeco & Blues Festival San Diego, CA
- > Rhythm & Roots Ninigret Park Charleston, RI
- > Cajun and Zydeco Festival Germany
- New Orleans Jazz & Heritage Festival LA
- Bayou N Boogie Sterling, CT
- > Nuits Cajun & Zydeco de Saulieu France
- > Festival International de Louisiane Lafayette, LA
- > International Cajun & Zydeco Festival Holland
- > Festival d'Ile de France France
- > Waterfront Blues Festival Portland, OR
- > The American Folk Festival Bangor, ME
- Mardi Gras Ball Cranston, RI
- > World's Fair
- > Clearwater Festival Croton on Hudson, NY
- > La Fete de Ecologie Festival Morgan City, LA
- Lowell Folk Festival Lowell, MA



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