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Relief Foundation

Many artists in Louisiana, Mississippi and Alabama are devastated and are in dire need.

Many have lost homes, vehicles, instruments and their livelihoods.

We have established this fund to help them rebuild their lives.

Music Maker Relief Foundation strives to help the true pioneers and forgotten heroes of Southern music gain recognition and meet their day to day needs.

Programs:

Musician Sustenance - grants to meet basic life needs and emergency relief.

Musical Development - grants and services for recipient artist professional development and career advancement.

Cultural Access - supports the preservation and proliferation of American musical traditions.

*New Orleans Artists
and their families
desperately
need our help today.*



Dear Friends,

As we write to you, all we know is that Katrina has left a wake of destruction. Much more will be known about the tragic events and the aftermath by the time you receive this letter. New Orleans is America's greatest musical city, the place where visitors from all over the world come to experience roots music and Southern culture. Music Maker has many recipient artists throughout Louisiana, Mississippi and Alabama. At this time we have not yet heard from any of them, including our dear friend Little Freddie King, but on the news we see his neighborhood in the 9th Ward is completely underwater.

We pray that all our friends are safe, yet it is clear that our recipient artists will suffer tremendous loss of property, and the ability to work in their hometown until who knows when. Some artists may have to relocate while their city is rebuilt.

Music Maker artists Slewfoot and Cary B. have been visiting Cary's parents in West Virginia this summer. During their visit Slew went to the emergency room with chest pains and soon after had triple bypass heart surgery. Last week after he got out of the hospital, he and Carrie were planning to go back home to New Orleans where they make their living as street musicians. Now, they don't know what will be left of their home and worry about the fate of their cat. They are extremely concerned about all of their musician friends that had no means to evacuate. Their future is in limbo and so they join the thousands of people who find themselves refugees.

Slew and Cary are coming to our headquarters this weekend. We offered them our guest-house. Music Maker will help them recuperate and rebuild their lives. Perhaps they will relocate to North Carolina if it is not feasible for them to return to their beloved city.

New Orleans is a city with a great many musicians and they are going to need help. Instruments will need to be replaced as well as clothing and sound equipment. They will need assistance to keep up with the expenses of housing, food and medicine while gigs are scarce. These are some very difficult times and we hope that you will all reconfirm your membership to the Music Maker Relief Foundation as we will need funds to help these artists and others.

For a gift of \$50 or more we will send you a copy of Slewfoot and Cary B's recent "Rainin in New Orleans" CD.

With warm regards,

Timothy & Denise Duffy



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I would like to support Music Maker and support devastated New Orleans artists with my gift of:

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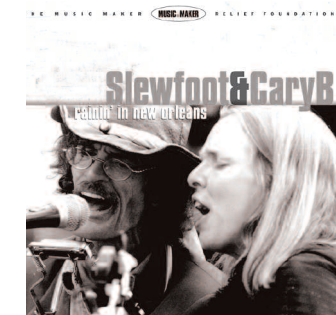
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