



Gualala Arts Presents with Bones Roadhouse:
Thursday, December 31, 2009, 7:30 p.m. - 12:30 a.m.

NEW YEAR'S EVE

Rhythm and Blues Extravaganza

at The Gualala Arts Center

\$45 Tickets

**Includes Roadhouse Finger food Buffet & Sushi Bar,
Champagne Toast and party favors plus Surprises!
No Host Bar**

Jackie Payne, Rhythm and Blues

Gualala Arts and Bones Roadhouse presents a New Year's Eve Rhythm and Blues Extravaganza at Gualala Arts Center on December 31 from 7:30 to 12:30 p.m., doors open at 7:00 p.m.

World renown, Grammy award winning R&B artist Jackie Payne Band will perform with guest guitarist Pat Wilder at 9:00 p.m. with Mendo Rhythm & Swing playing from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.

Born on Sept. 26 1945, Payne first sang professionally at age 13 with the Allen Swing Band out of Atlanta and then an R & B group called The Serenaders. In 1963 he headed to Port Arthur, Texas, where he waxed his first side, "The Ballad Of JFK" as Little Jackie Payne. He served as a warm up act for Sam Cooke, Jerry Butler, Chuck Jackson and Albert Collins to name a few. He also sang with Collins' group. In 1965, Willard Benton, aka "Funky Slim," took Payne to Huey Meanx of Jet Stream Records to cut 8 sides including the regional hit "Go Go Train."

After a stint in the army in 1968, Payne headed to California and worked with Pee Wee Crayton and gigged with his own band for several years. During this time he also sang with the The Johnny Otis Show. Payne continued to play and pay his dues and finally got some more studio time. He contributed vocals to three songs on a Kenny "Blue" Ray disc called "In All My Life" and then cut his first disc for JSP Records.

Tickets are \$45 and include finger food buffet, a sushi bar (one plate included), champagne toast, party favors and surprise fun for everyone. Seating will be cabaret style. Two full service no host bars will be available.

“It is true that Bones is no more, as a building, but the spirit lives on. They put out the fire, but they didn't put out the burning desire to have good food with friends.”

Look for them February 2010 in their new location... just follow the bouncin' Bones!