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Well, we made it another month, folks. Sometimes it does feel like I'm just trying to hang on month-to-month in the midst of all of the insanity. The cold, dark months are often tough for me to get through, but our weekly Quarantunes with Blue Americana, the once-a-month Quarantunes hit with Shadowland, as well as sessions and teaching have been keeping me insanely busy, which helps tremendously in making my way to spring with warmer temps and brighter days. Covid continues to rage and take down so many people, so please do all that you can to protect yourself and others. Between the political unrest, the pandemic and just the usual challenges of winter, this is surely a bit of a rough patch mentally. But, we're in this together, so I'm sending positive energy, well wishes and love out to all. Listen, try not to judge or react and please have empathy for others. And, as my boss SSJ sings - and Steve Van Zandt wrote - Better Days Are Comin'!!! *Glenn*

SHADOWLAND: First of all, a BIG thank you to everyone who tuned into Shadowland's big virtual New Year's Eve show! Wow - the response and feedback was tremendous, better than we ever expected. There is always some trepidation and nerves when



Shadowland warms up for the big New Year's show

we go live on **Facebook** for ANY show, but when you are dealing with a live show on an iconic night, well the heebee jeebees were off the chart! Especially with all of the WiFi and connectivity issues in my basement studio/performance space! Anyway, our tech geniuses - John Isley, Zack Sandler and Harry Rachel - worked for hours and hours to get everything just right and it went off without a hitch. We were thrilled to be able to kick 2020 to the curb and usher in a new year - and hopefully - a new beginning. I also want to thank the great **American Blues Scene** for simulcasting our show on their

Facebook page. Having the largest and most comprehensive blues publication on the Internet promote our show to their thousands of followers was an amazing gift. And, I also want to give a special shout-out to everyone who contributed to our virtual tip jar - it was greatly appreciated. The pandemic has really been difficult for everyone, but for working musicians like us, it's been really devastating, so your continued love and support means the world to us - thank you! ... Well, after a bit of a rest, Shadowland will be back at it again - that's right, the first Shadowland on Quarantunes show will be February 5th. We're hoping to do a live show every month until we can actually play at real venues in front of real people! So, we hope you'll join us on February 5th, live on my **Facebook** page. Also, don't forget to check out my **website**, the Shadowland **website** and **Twitter** feed for updates



Love doin' Quarantunes with Oria!

BLUE AMERICANA: Oria and I had our first Quarantunes of 2021 and it was a blast! It had been more than a month since we did a "regular" Quarantunes - we did a special Christmas show and then, of course, the Shadowland show on New Year's Eve - and it felt good to get back in the saddle. We debuted a couple of new songs - one titled "Dancin' In The Rain" was co-written by my brother, Greg - and another that Oria and I wrote together called "Tell Me Sad Stories." As you can tell, being stuck in the house all the time has it's advantages - it gives us time to work on new music. Right now, we are recording material for a Blue Americana album, as well as recording for a new Oria project. She is writing some killin' tunes and her voice sounds amazing! We are also workin' on a video for her single, "Wannabe," so there is a lot goin' on. So, please keep checkin' out our Friday night Quarantunes and our **website**, **Twitter** and **Facebook** pages ... Last month, we had a wonderful gig at a great little spot in Metuchen, **Hailey's Harp & Pub**. It was wonderful playin' in front of a live audience again. We'll be back there later this month, so please stop by, have a bite to eat and say hello - at an acceptable social distance, of course!

UPCOMING LIVE DATES

Friday, February 5th — with Glenn Alexander & Shadowland

Quarantunes LIVE on Facebook — www.facebook.com/glennalexandermusic

Friday, February 12th — with Blue Americana

Quarantunes LIVE on Facebook — www.facebook.com/glennalexandermusic

Friday, February 19th — with Blue Americana

Quarantunes LIVE on Facebook — www.facebook.com/glennalexandermusic

Friday, February 26th — with Blue Americana

Quarantunes LIVE on Facebook — www.facebook.com/glennalexandermusic

Saturday, February 27th — with Blue Americana

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