

# Allen Finney

Singer, song writer, guitarist, harmonica player

Allen Finney is an American (Michigan) born, multitalented musician, based in Sweden. Steeped in the roots traditions of American folk, rock, country, blues, and jazz, Allen Finney emerges with unique expressions in his own musical style. Some compare his voice and vision to J.J. Cale's and Bob Dylan's.

In the early 80s Allen Finney did solo, warm up act for J.J. Cale at the Olympia, Dire Straits at the old Roman Theatre in Orange, France, Canned Heat in Biarritz, Ritchie Blackmore's Rainbow, Weather Report and others. He also had a song, in French, on the Top 40, "Les Champs de Beton."



Allen Finney has a huge song book and has during his years in Sweden released a number of albums. He has also been an inspiration for young upcoming Swedish musicians such as Gunnar Muwemba Lidström, Erik Hansson, Lisa Lystam and many others, when bringing them up on stage.

New collaborations with top musicians Christer Lyssarides and Robert Ivansson (producer) resulted in the new album *Salt Breeze with Kites*, released October 2018.



"My songs began with inspiration and were often extensively worked on. From somewhere between the Rocky Mountains and the Appalachian Mountains, with a taste of Mississippi muddy water, came the style. And then came Robert..." (Allen Finney, 2018)

## Discography

- Les Champs de Beton/Les Larmes Bleues : 45 rpm single, 1980
- Bon Temps ; with "Sneaky Pete's" (SE): LP, 1990
- Fat City Blues (Live At Kaos): CD, 1994
- Laying My Monkey Down; with "Fat City Blues": CD, 1999
- Allen Finney and EBB: CD, 2006
- Allen Finney Solo: CD 2012
- Fogetto ; with "Allen Finney Combo": 2013
- All That Blues from Sweden vol 1, 1993, vol 2, 1998, one song each

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