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Interviewee: Kenny Brown

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- He says that he first heard Blues from picnics across from his house. He says that he went to Joe Callicott's house and R.L. Burnside's house as a child in order to learn how to play guitar.
- He says that he was unsure about being paired with other rock groups, but that he eventually became good friends with the other artists. Brown says R.L. Burnside enjoyed recording with other groups and that Burnside may have liked the "A Ass Pocket of Whiskey" cover, especially if Burnside was able to make money.

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- Brown says that R.L. and Joe Callicott were never shy to teach him what he wanted to learn about playing. Brown says that R.L. was more musically similar to Mississippi Fred McDowell, while Callicott was similar to Mississippi John Hurt.
- He discusses the Mississippi Hill Country Picnic. He feels that crack cocaine is the main reason that juke joints are disappearing.
- He maintains that Delta and Hill Country styles of Blues are different, but that he plays whatever styles he wants to play. He says that there is no difference to him about where he plays.