

TOMMY JUNTE

Age: 13

Fields: Northwest corner of Busch Stadium (Eighth Street and Clark Avenue)

Bats: Acoustic and electric guitar

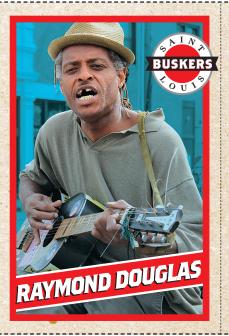
Resides: Wright City

Experience: One and a half years

Money song: "Sweet Home Alabama"

Day job: Wright City Middle School student

Fun fact: Junte sticks to the classic rock standards from artists such as Led Zeppelin, ZZ Top and Eric Clapton. "A guy recently asked me to play some Lady Gaga; I didn't know what to do."



RAYMOND DOUGLAS

Age: 51

Fields: Delmar Loop, usually by the Chuck Berry statue

Bats: Acoustic guitar

Experience: Self-taught at age sixteen

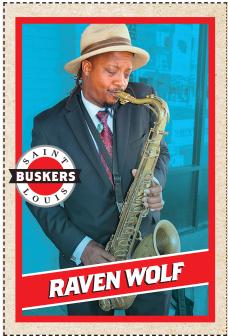
Day job: "This is what I do. This is all I do. I'm a musician. This is what I am. I'm just trying to figure out a way of making a living."

Best part about busking: "I like the reaction of people when they enjoy what I'm doing. It's like a gift to me. They appreciate what I'm doing.

That means a lot. But I also like the money — I need to make a living, too. But it comes second.

I really just love playing."

Fun fact: Douglas has played in multiple bands, from punk to blues, rock to family



"RAVEN" WOLF C. FELTON JENNINGS II

Age: Only the Raven Wolf knows

Fields: Delmar Loop in front of Vintage Vinyl and Soulard Farmers' Market

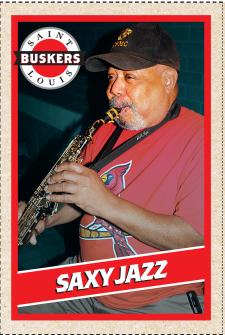
Bats: Tenor sax, djembe and eleven other instruments

Resides: Originally from Cleveland

AVG: n/a

Day job: "This is it. I started Pug Dog Records, and my album is ranked 50th on Vintage Vinyl's best-sellers list. I play seventeen hours a day. When you have that kind of a schedule, your life is dedicated."

Fun fact: Raven Wolf serenades passersby with original compositions. "It sends a message to their heart that will heal their body, Spiritual jazz is healing. It's always been with me."



FRED "SAXY JAZZ" WALKER

Age: 71

Fields: Soulard Farmers' Market and game days outside Busch Stadium and Edward Jones Dome

Bats: Soprano and alto sax

Resides: Normandy

AVG: \$150

Experience: 55 years of making music; member of Mystic Voyage band for 22 years

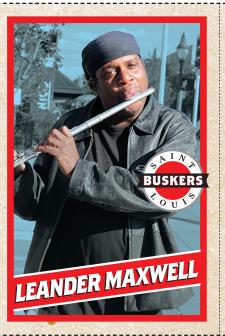
Day job: Retired security guard and shuttle driver

Street cred: Filed the lawsuit (backed by the ACLU) that led to a judge striking down St. Louis' controversial busking law that quadrupled the

licensing fee for street performers

Fun fact: Newlyweds once requested that he play for them as they consummated their marriage.

"They had seen me at Soulard and wanted 'Every Time I Close My Eyes' by Babyface."



LEANDER MAXWELL

Age: 51

Fields: Delmar Loop, and game days outside Busch Stadium

Bats: Flute

Resides: St. Louis

AVG: \$40 to \$50 in the Loop; \$150 at ballgames

Experience: 45 years playing flute; 1.5 years performing on street.

Day job: Cook

Greatest hits: "Moondance" by Van Morrison;
"The Lion Sleeps Tonight" by the Tokens;
theme song from M*A*S*H

Best tip ever: "I was playing outside Blueberry
Hill one day and a guy came over and shook
my hand. Inside was a \$100 bill."



MIKE MAGEE, A.K.A. "THAT ONE GUY"

Age: 19

Fields: Delmar Loop and game days outside Edward Jones Done, Busch Stadium and Scottrade Center

Bats: Guitar

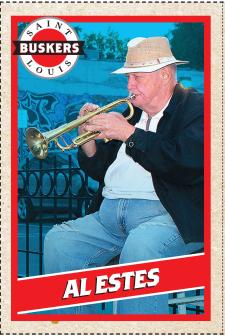
Resides: The Ville neighborhood of St. Louis via Massachusetts

AVG: \$25 in Delmar Loop; \$70 at ball games

Experience: Busking for six months

Day job: Unemployed

Best reaction: "The other day, a lady at a red light got out of her car and put \$20 in my case and said, 'You're really talented!' I gave her a hug."



AL ESTES

Age: 72

Fields: Delmar Loop between the Tivoli Theatre and Chipotle

Bats: Trumpet

Resides: Maplewood

AVG: \$25

Experience: 60 years

Day job: Composer

Money song: "Pop! Goes the Weasel" ("When parents see the reaction from their kids,

the money comes out.")

Fun fact: "I played with the Glenn Miller Band when I was twenty years old. I've played Broadway

shows. I've had a good career in music. But [busking] has been the greatest. No one can tell me what to play. And I wake up wanting to play."



SAM WRIGHT

Age: 33

Fields: Delmar Loop MetroLink station, Market Street post office, and around Grand Boulevard and Gravois Avenue

Bats: Harmonica

Resides: St. Louis

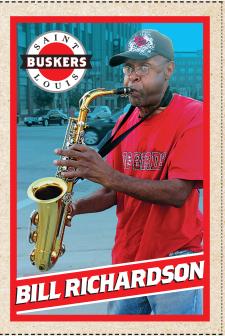
AVG: "1 get more smiles than money. Smiles are great, but smiles don't put food in my stomach." **Experience:** Been playing since he was five.

Grew up listening to R&B — B.B. King and Clarence Carter.

Day job: Sometimes cook. Sometimes house cleaner.

Fun fact: A bartender on Gravois once asked

Wright to come inside the tavern and play for customers. "The drinks were free all night."



BILL RICHARDSON

Age: 62

Fields: Game days outside Busch Stadium and Scottrade Center, and show nights near the Fox Theatre and the Pageant

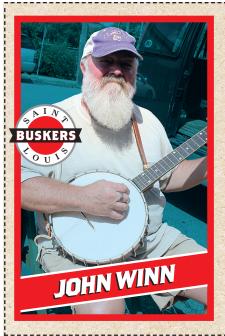
Bats: Alto sax

Resides: St. Louis

AVG: \$100 (less if home team loses)

Experience: Retired middle school band teacher

Fun fact: Plays all music "from A to Z," including rock, blues and patriotic tunes. But it's the children's songs that often bring the biggest tips. "Families walk by, and the kids are interested and pull on the hand. Kids are the best appreciators. It's genuine."



JOHN WINN

Age: 49 (a couple of times)

Fields: Soulard Farmers' Market

Bats: Banjo, guitar

Resides: St. Louis via Louisiana

AVG: \$20

Money songs: "Dueling Banjos," "I'll Fly Away"

Curve ball: Jimi Hendrix's rendition of "All Along the Watchtower"

Day job: Social worker

Fun fact: "Lots of people ask if I'm Santa Claus.
I tell them they're confusing me with my older brother. I'm Johnny Claus."