# TEXAS MONTHLY OFFICIAL 2020 SXSW MUSIC EVENT LINEUP ANNOUNCED

# TEXAS MUSIC: THE UNTOLD STORIES ACL LIVE AT THE MOODY THEATER MARCH 17, 2020

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Austin, TX — On March 17, 2020, *Texas Monthly* will debut its latest onstage production as an official SXSW music event: *Texas Music: The Untold Stories*. The production will feature beloved Texas musicians telling revelatory stories—some never told before—interwoven with music onstage at ACL Live at The Moody Theater. Today, *Texas Monthly* and SXSW have officially announced the lineup of musicians from across Texas, representing an exciting range of musical backgrounds including punk, EDM, hip-hop, indie, rock, mariachi, and more.

We're honored to include Texas Music: The Untold Stories as part of the SXSW Music Festival lineup," said SXSW CEO and Co-Founder Roland Swenson. "This is an exclusive opportunity for our attendees to see some of their favorite musicians share the raw and emotional stories that have inspired their music and shaped them as artists. It promises to be a unique evening, and we're excited to partner with Texas Monthly to debut the show at SXSW 2020."

## Official Lineup Announcement—Texas Music: The Untold Stories

Shawn Colvin — Three-time Grammy Award winner Shawn Colvin has been a vital voice in music for more than 30 years, releasing thirteen superlative albums and establishing herself as one of America's most revered songwriters and performers. Colvin was recognized for her career accomplishments in 2016 when she was honored with the Lifetime Achievement Trailblazer Award by the Americana Music Association. In September 2019 she was inducted into the Austin City Limits Hall of Fame, alongside legendary artists Lyle Lovett and Buddy Guy.

Charley Crockett — Charley Crockett was born in San Benito, Texas and now resides in Austin. He taught himself to play with a pawn shop guitar that his mom bought for him when he was 17. He has a deep history and appreciation for stylistic dexterity and transformational takes on traditional sounds. Like Doug Sahm's cosmic roots blender or Gary Clark Jr's blues shredder, or even Willie Nelson's signature jazz country phrasing, Crockett effortlessly spins his influences into his own unique mix, let loose live with shimmying stage charisma worthy of Elvis or Jerry Lee Lewis.

**El Dusty** — Dusty "El Dusty" Oliveira is a leader of the *cumbia electronica* movement whose "Cumbia Anthem" was nominated for a Latin Grammy. The Corpus Christi–based producer has been feeding cumbia into his sound processor and synthesizer since before the turn of the millennium.

**Kam Franklin** — Kam Franklin is a singer-songwriter, activist, writer, motivational speaker, and actress from Houston, TX. She is best known for her work with the gulf coast soul band, <u>The Suffers</u>, but Kam began performing in public at the age of five. A three-time recipient of the Houston Press Music Award for Best Female Vocalist, Kam has performed on five continents and has performed with The Houston Symphony.

**Lil Keke** — Lil' Keke is an American rapper from Houston, Texas. He began rapping in the early '90s, acting as a founding member of the loosely based local collective Screwed Up Click.

John Tennison — John Tennison is a composer, multi-instrumentalist, and songwriter from San Antonio. By day, he's a psychiatrist. Tennison composes in a variety of styles, but boogie-woogie is fundamental to his musical soul. Tennison grew up playing boogie-woogie in Texarkana, where his exposure to and interest in the musical style were a direct consequence of Texarkana's boogie-woogie heritage. Because of his driving, high-energy boogie-woogie grooves, Tennison has been called "The Texarkana Train."

**Featuring Walker Lukens** — Austin-based musician Walker Luken hosts <u>The Song Confessional</u> podcast alongside Zac Catanzaro, in collaboration with KUTX radio. On The Song Confessional, today's top bands and songwriters turn anonymous confessions into new original songs. Each episode features the confession that inspires the original song, the song premiere, and an interview with the songwriter.

Musical Accompaniment by <u>Carrie Rodriguez</u> — Carrie Rodriguez, a singer-songwriter from Austin, Texas, finds beauty in the cross-pollination of diverse traditions. A passionate performer, she melds fiery fiddle playing, electrifying vocals, and a fresh interpretation of new and classic songs with an "Ameri-Chicana" attitude. Her most recent release, the critically acclaimed bilingual album *Lola*, was named as one of NPR's top 50 albums of the year. In the words of author Brené Brown, "She's the trifecta for me—beautiful singer, soulful songwriter, and kick-ass fiddler."

WHEN: Tuesday, March 17, 2020

Gates Open: 6:30 p.m. Doors Open: 7 p.m. Showtime: 8 p.m.

WHERE: Austin City Limits at the Moody Theater 310 W Willie Nelson Blvd, Austin, TX 78701

**TICKETS**: General Admission tickets to *Texas Music: The Untold Stories* are on sale for \$39.50 (+ additional fees). Tickets can be purchased at the link here: <a href="https://txmnth.ly/2OAUunD">https://txmnth.ly/2OAUunD</a>. This showcase is open to SXSW credential holders—Music and Platinum badge holders receive primary access, while Interactive and Film and Wristbands receive secondary admission.

You can find more information on the event website at texasmonthly.com/txmusic. Follow *Texas Monthly* on Facebook <u>@texas.monthly.magazine</u>, Twitter <u>@TexasMonthly</u>, and Instagram <u>@texasmonthly</u>. And follow the event on social media via #txmusicstories.

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#### **About SXSW**

SXSW dedicates itself to helping creative people achieve their goals. Founded in 1987 in Austin, Texas, SXSW is best known for its conference and festivals that celebrate the convergence of the interactive, film, and music industries. An essential destination for global professionals, the event features sessions, showcases, screenings, exhibitions, professional development and a variety of networking opportunities. SXSW proves that the most unexpected discoveries happen when diverse topics and people come together. SXSW 2020 will take place March 13 - 22, 2020. For more information, please visit <a href="mailto:sxsw.com/attend">sxsw.com/attend</a>.