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# **Al Goes Mainstream**

SXSW panels delve into the good and not-so-good of artificial intelligence

**BY BENTON GRAHAM** 

Donald Trump and Elon Musk have created an almost impenetrable news cycle. And they seem intent on bringing artificial intelligence to the forefront. Coverage has ranged from Trump announcing a \$500 billion private investment in AI infrastructure to Musk trying to buy OpenAI from his rival Sam Altman to Musk's Department of Government Efficiency working to automate the federal government. That list doesn't even include

China-based DeepSeek's Sputnik moment, which raised doubts about the United States' dominance in the industry.

In other words, through a chaotic media environment, AI has maintained a foothold.

For Emilia Javorsky, who began working in AI in 2018, the technology going mainstream is all a bit surreal. "Back in the day ... you would have to be so careful on talking about AI, because everyone would be like,

'What's this science-fiction thing you're talking about?'" she said.

Javorsky is the director of the Futures Programatthe Future for Life Institute and will be speaking on the "AI and Power Concentration" panel at South by Southwest. She has spent time looking into both how AI can be used for good, but also how it is being misused. Right now, she is concerned about big tech companies pursuing "smarter-than-human" AI.

"This pursuit of power concentration and this pursuit of developing something smarter than us is all kind of hanging on the assumption that you'll be able to control it or anticipate how it'll work," she said. "Our understanding of how these models work, our understanding of how to evaluate them, our understanding of safety engineering practices, is just pretty much in its infancy and needs to come a long way."

In her view, the goal should be augmenting what humans are able to do. "I think we're still in the early days of this AI takeoff," she said. "The next frontier is not just making the models, but how do we actually apply those models in the real world?"

And there are some examples of those models being applied in the real world as a force for good. Javorsky sees AI as a tool that can be used to solve climate, education, and health care problems. Google's AlphaFold, which predicts protein structures, is the "poster child" for this, she added. The technology could have profound implications for pharmaceutical drugs. Javorsky pointed out that AlphaFold not only benefits humanity, but it also unlocked a new business for Google.

Suhair Khan, a tech company founder who will be speaking on the Emotional Machines: Al, Feeling & The Human Body panel, also thinks scientific research is an area where Al could benefit humanity. Khan, who said she served as an adviser for the European Union's AI Act, would like to see the government play a role in guiding the technology in the right direction.

For example, she has environmental concerns about how AI data centers impact carbon emissions, water evaporation, and physical degradation. The government could implement environmental regulations on the Al industry. It could also help with bringing a range of perspectives to an industry dominated by men in Silicon Valley. "I think government can support investing right now. very specifically in R&D labs and incubators at scale that are bringing together a diversity of perspectives," Khan said.

Diversity of perspectives is important to her in part because how emotions are interpreted can vary from culture to culture. "That's the issue of having generative AI platforms that talk to us in English," she said. "It's a translation of a translation."

From an application in health care to ChatGPT, Khan said Al platforms "are connecting with your emotions, your senses, your mind, your lived experience every single day." She added that "we don't really have any kind of code or language for dealing with this." We need that code to ensure that we are creating AI that isn't harmful, addictive. or destructive to our emotions in Khan's view. But how do we do that?

"I think we should actually be thinking about how you're creating cross-disciplinary spaces, where it's not just engineers working with the data, it's people coming to question, not just the ethics of it, but to bring their expertise," Khan said.

# Al Changing Our Lives

#### **Are Whistleblowers Going to Save Us From** the Harms of Tech?

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#### **Emotional Machines:** AI, Feeling & The **Human Body**

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# Kings, Courts, and Creative Dissent

As Trump consolidates power, SXSW focuses on fate of global democracy

As Trump and Musk get creative with autocratic measures, SXSW addresses creative democratic efforts

**BY AUSTIN SANDERS** 

Once again, South by Southwest coincides with the advent of Donald Trump's presidency and, once again, a range of panels will discuss the implications Trump will have on American democracy.

Judging by the frenzied pace at which the Trump administration - and de facto Vice President Elon Musk - has moved to destabilize the federal bureaucracy in just his first month in office, the situation appears dire. Just ask Skye Perryman, who serves as president and CEO of Democracy Forward, a legal organization on the front lines pushing back in court on the Trump and Musk assault.

"It's a five-alarm fire with respect to our overall system of government and also with respect to the well-being of the American people," Perryman said. "We're about a month out from inauguration and we've already seen the president and his associates, including Elon Musk, operate in incredibly harmful and unlawful ways with courts across the country having to intervene to strike down a number of their activities."

Democracy Forward has played a key role in one of those battles - the organization, which formed in the wake of Trump's first election in 2016, sued the administration alongside a coalition of nonprofit organizations following the White House's move to freeze all federal payments to nonprofits that had already been awarded grants. A federal judge quickly halted that move while litigation continues.

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Already, the judicial system is facing a stress test with Trump and Musk responding defiantly to judges around the country that have ruled against the administration. Perryman thinks this will be an unwise strategy, in the long run, and that the judicial branch of government will remain resolute in exercising its independent authority. "I've never seen a federal judge take kindly to the executive branch suggesting that it doesn't have to follow a court order," Perryman said. "I've just never seen that. I don't think that's why people become judges."

Other panels will also focus on the fight to protect democracy around the globe. One titled The Next Generation will feature two young politicians from Zimbabwe and Guatemala, respectively, who will discuss their struggle against authoritarianism, while facing the threat of violence and imprisonment. Another will gather international artists to explore "artivism."

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# **Building Brains** and Resilience

Researchers at SXSW illuminate the front lines of neuroscience today by ABE ASHER

"We know how to

fix [cardiac issues].

We are curing cancer.

But the brain remains

a mystery. The latest

drug developed for a

neurological condition

was in the Seventies."

UC SAN DIEGO NEUROLOGIST

ALYSSON MUOTRI

Depression remains the most common cause of ill health and disability worldwide, per the World Health Organization, and while doctors are getting better at treating its acute symptoms, there is still a group of people who have what Patricio Riva Posse, a neurologist and associate professor of psychiatry at Emory University, calls "treatment-resistant depression."

Providing those people long-term relief has proven difficult. Over the last two decades, however, researchers have been working to

develop a targeted surgical treatment that can stimulate the brain - adapting the deep-brain stimulation technology that was initially developed to treat movement disorders like Parkinson's disease.

"An analogy to it is like a pacemaker that you have for your heart," Riva Posse said. "This is a pacemaker [for] the brain. The pacemaker, what it does

is maintain a constant stimulation in the brain that allows patients to have minimal symptoms of depression and to carry on with their lives."

Riva Posse and a number of his colleagues will present at South by Southwest on the state of their research, which will be moving to a national clinical trial in the next two years. The panel is one of a trio at this year's event that will address topics related to brain health and perceptions of modern science.

Another of the panels, Reconstructing the Human Brain in the Lab, will address research being conducted at the International Space Station and a select number of other labs to generate three-dimensional models of the brain from stem

cells - which can then be used to advance research into neurological conditions.

"We have many defenses in medicine for different parts of the body: People are not dying [as much] anymore from heart attacks," Alysson Muotri, a neurologist at University of California San Diego said. "We know how to fix [them]. We are curing cancer. But the brain remains a mystery. The latest drug developed for a neurological condition was in the Seventies."

The relatively slow rate of progress in

the treatment of neurological conditions means that diseases like Alzheimer's remain nearly impossible to control. The main reason for the limited progress, Muotri said, is the limited accessibilitv of brain tissue to scientists.

"The reason why we make progress on the heart, blood disease, and cancer is that we can take a biopsy and study [it] in the lab," Muotri

said. "We cannot do that with the brain."

Now, however, stem cells are changing the equation - allowing scientists to effectively re-create the human brain inside a lab and study how those cells might be used to heal damaged areas of the brain. A 2020 study found that mice treated with a partially stemcell-based therapy had a slower onset of disease and lived longer.

The third panel, called Crisis to Credibility, will cover one of the issues looming over numerous areas of research in the current political climate: a newfound lack of trust in modern science, exacerbated by the fractured media landscape and the very public stances of leading figures in the federal government.



Scientists will discuss cutting-edge methods to re-create and study the human brain

### Science and the **Human Brain**

#### Reconstructing the **Human Brain in the Lab**

FRIDAY 7, 4PM, JW MARRIOTT, SALON D

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FRIDAY 7, 2:30PM, JW MARRIOTT, SALON BC

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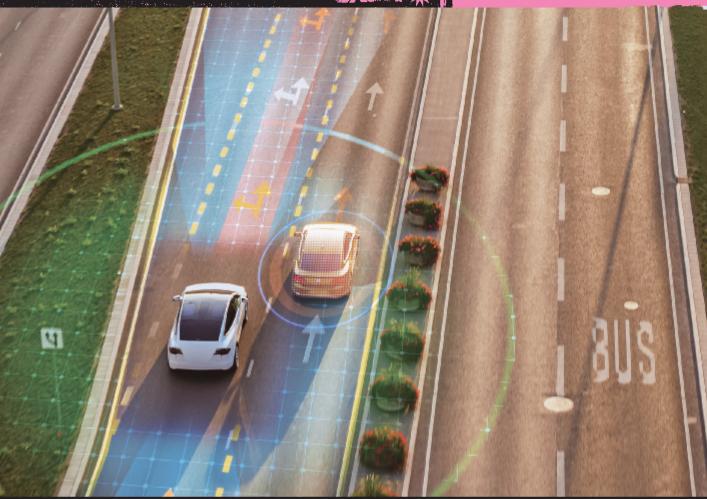
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### The Future of **Transportation**

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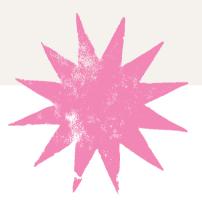
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#### **America, Make This Your Train Era**

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#### **Creating Safer, More Equitable Public Transit Systems**

THURSDAY 13, 1PM HILTON AUSTIN DOWNTOWN, SALON F



# Al at the Wheel, for the Masses

Self-driving cars are mostly Uber-like, but could automation enter public transit?

BY BENTON GRAHAM

To date, autonomous vehicles have been almost exclusively associated with ride-hailing. Waymos seem to be everywhere in Austin these days, and riders can opt in to getting an autonomous ride via Uber. That's not to mention the companies testing (Volkswagen and Zoox) or that have tested (R.I.P. Cruise and Argo AI) vehicles in the city. Plus, Tesla plans to roll out its robotaxi service in June.

How much automation is too much for a public bus?

But the role autonomous travel could play in public transit has received less of the spotlight. That is part of what Sarah Fox will discuss as a part of the Creating Safer, More Equitable Public Transit Systems panel at this year's South by Southwest.

Fox is an assistant professor in the Human-Computer Interaction Institute at Carnegie Mellon University and has researched the role of automation in public bus transportation. Automating bus travel is particularly difficult because, unlike a train or light rail, there is no track, meaning the bus "would be traveling alongside vulnerable road users" like pedestrians and cyclists, Fox said. Buses are also of course much larger, and thus more difficult to maneuver than, say, a Waymo-sized SUV.

Another challenge is that bus drivers provide a public service. "They answer questions to folks who are boarding the bus en route, directions, the proper line to take," she said. "They also help people with disabilities board.

... They also respond in the case of emergencies, so whether it's on the bus or outside of the bus, they frequently see accidents and health emergencies that they call in emergency services to respond to. So, in many ways, they're kind of a first responder."

With this in mind, Fox would like to see a partnership between humans and machines. Aviation offers a good example. While there are aspects of flying that are automated, the pilot oversees the operation and ensures passengers arrive safely.

Fox has worked with the unions that represent bus drivers to develop her research. There are ways that the technology could improve the driver and rider experience. For example, people with disabilities are often passed by buses and don't get picked up. Drivers could receive advance notice of "any accessibility needs that that passenger might have, so that they can prepare and ensure that they have adequate time at a stop to help them," she said.

The role that public transit plays in providing accessible transportation is critical in Fox's view. The mode of transport is also key to reducing congestion and greenhouse gas emissions. Yet public transit is underfunded across the country. "That really impacts the ways that they are able to serve their communities and the ways that they are able to support their workers," Fox said.







# **Time to Save** the Planet

Tracking, vacuuming, and sinking carbon are top approaches in SXSW panels BY BRANT BINGAMON

"You can look at the

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because they have a lot

And the cities are black."

We asked Kate Dmytrenko to describe the carbon removal machines that Climeworks is pushing at this year's SXSW, expecting a long, intricate answer. Nope. They're vacuums.

"Yes, we use these giant vacuums," Dmytrenko said. "They suck ambient air in, filter the carbon dioxide out, and process it. We concentrate the CO2, which is then injected underground and stored permanently there."

Dmytrenko's boss, Climeworks COO Douglas Chan, will join the Nature Conservancy's Katharine Hayhoe at the Hilton on March 11 to talk more about the vacuums. The featured session - Cleaning Up Our Atmosphere - will examine what it's going to take to build enough of these devices to suck up the blanket of carbon in the troposphere that is making our planet so hot.

We're gonna need a lot of the machines, Dmytrenko told us. She described the two

that Climeworks currently operates in Iceland. The first, called Orca, is capable of removing 4,000 tons of CO2 from the atmosphere per year. The second, Mammoth, can remove 10 times as much. Various researchers estimate that for life on Earth to

go on more or less as it currently does, humans will need to remove about 10 billion metric tons of CO2 every year by 2050. Removing that much CO2 would require roughly 250,000 of Climeworks' large vacuums sucking nonstop.

Maybe building 250,000 vacuums is not that massive a challenge. After all, there are approximately 1.5 billion cars on the world's roads. These machines are expensive, but they aren't huge - Dmytrenko said they're about the size of a shipping container and can be stacked vertically, creating a much smaller footprint than, say, a forest. She also noted that Climeworks has the profit motive on its side - once capitalism finds a way to make money off the machines, they could proliferate rapidly. And it won't be just progressives cashing in.

"It has the potential to bring thousands of jobs that don't compete with, but complement, the oil and gas industry," Dmytrenko said.

There are other ways besides vacuums to decarbonize the atmosphere, Ralph Keeling of the Scripps Institution of Oceanography at UC San Diego told us. He will discuss several of them on March 10 at the panel Quest to Capture Carbon and Bend the Curve.

Keeling told us there are three main approaches to decarbonization, aside from the carbon removal machines. One is growing more forests. Another is so-called blue carbon - growing more kelp or mangroves

> in coastal ecosystems. The third is "enhanced weathering."

Enhanced rock weathering entails crushing rocks like basalt and mixing them into the ocean, where they react with the CO2 in seawater, turning it into a sediment which sinks to the ocean floor. This reverses

the acidification of the ocean, allowing it to absorb more CO2 from the air and safeguarding coral and other sea life.

Keeling prefers enhanced rock weathering over biomass-based solutions. "I think that could scale up a little bit better. The oceans are vast. You could say that the carbon problem is really a geologic problem. The problem is that we spun up a geologic process a couple hundred- or thousandfold by the burning of fossil fuels. And the solution is to speed up another geologic process, which is the weathering of rocks."



As scientists like Keeling study the potential solutions, others, like Cecilia Garraffo and Kirsten Hall of the Center for Astrophysics collaboration between Harvard and the Smithsonian, are getting a deeper understanding of the way greenhouse gases are moving in the atmosphere and how they're interacting with the planet's weather system. Garraffo and Hall will discuss their research at a panel titled Astronomers Looking Down.

Garraffo told us that the Center for Astrophysics analyzes data from a pair of satellites that orbit the Earth, feeding the data into advanced modeling engines to gain insight about where gases like nitrogen dioxide, methane, and ozone are in the stratosphere and troposphere. "You can look at the map and you can see the highways are dark because they have a lot more nitrogen dioxide. And the cities are black," Garraffo said.

The satellite data allows Hall to gain a more precise understanding of atmospheric rivers, the thousand-mile-long plumes of water vapor that have repeatedly flooded Southern California in recent winters, and the role that ozone plays in their formation. "Atmospheric rivers are actually responsible for about 50% of the precipitation along the West Coast of the U.S., which you can imagine is really crucial for drought busting," Hall said. "So they can be extremely beneficial in that regard, but there can also be more extreme forms of those storms that then have catastrophic consequences, such as flooding and mudslides. So the better that we can understand them, the better we can be prepared as humans to, you know, live on this beautiful planet."

# Protecting the Planet

#### The Quest to **Capture Carbon and Bend the Curve**

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#### **Cleaning Up Our Atmosphere: Carbon Removal Prepares to Go Mainstream**

TUESDAY 11. 11:30AM. **AUSTIN CONVENTION CENTER, ROOM 16AB** 

#### **Astronomers Looking Down: A Sustainable Earth Incubator**

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# War, Meet Climate Change

SXSW Arctic panel explains climate impact on national security

BY MAGGIE QUINLAN

The Arctic. A place where reindeer is on the menu and Russian submarines lurk, some of them wielding enough explosives for a blast many times larger than the atomic bomb in Hiroshima.

The Arctic is also a place where two of the globe's greatest threats - climate change and warfare - amplify each other. Sherri Goodman, whose career in the Department of Defense focused on the environment, uses the term "threat multiplier." That is also the title of her new book.

As ice melts in the Arctic, new shipping routes open up. A recent federal report described the previously low-tension region as tightening up with "the emergence of great power competition between the United States, Russia, and China." With President Trump reigniting his call for the U.S. to take over Greenland, these tensions are as apparent as ever.

Goodman says increased access to the Arctic is only part of the equation. "Climate change also changes the context in which we fight or operate in any conflict." Of course extreme temperatures affect troops themselves, but there's also the issue of weapon and transport design. For example, Goodman says changing ocean salinity can create snags. (Increased salinity in the Gulf of Aden south of Yemen has caused failures in several UK frigates' turbines.) "We've designed our weapons systems to operate under certain assumptions. And now a lot of

those assumptions of the natural world, the natural system, are challenged because of climate change."

Climate change not only impacts military operations, but military operations can also speed up climate change. Goodman - now a senior fellow at the Polar Institute and a senior strategist at the Center for Climate and Security - points out that electrifying fleets not only reduces carbon emissions but also keeps the U.S. competitive technologically with adversaries. "It's just going to be very challenging to rely on heavily gas-guzzling forces that have to be deployed forward," Goodman says. "We learned the hard way in Iraq and Afghanistan that we were losing American lives having to truck fuel to the

#### **Arctic: An Urgent Call** for Climate and National Security

FEATURED SESSION

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front." Troops hauling gas were targeted with bombs. Now, in Ukraine, the war is largely fought by electric drones. Goodman says as the U.S. continues to build tankers for aerial refueling, which can be targeted by drones, the U.S. needs to consider that "the goal in war is to knock out the enemy and not give the enemy a lot of things to shoot at."

Meanwhile, ice melting in the Arctic could sink cities far south of the polar tundra. "What happens in the Arctic doesn't stay in the Arctic," Goodman says.

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# **Horn of Plenty**

A24's satirical horror Death of α Unicorn shows the powerful never change

BY RICHARD WHITTAKER

The unicorn. The elegant symbol of purity and beauty to some. For others, the rainbowpooping, Lisa Frankified epitome of childhood pizzazz. Yet they weren't always that way. "Unicorns in antiquity used to be terrifying," explained Alex Scharfman, and he's bringing those deadly qualities back as writer/director of Death of a Unicorn.

Receiving its world premiere at South by Southwest ahead of a wide release on March 28, the A24 horror-comedy is Scharfman's take on a creature feature. His biggest influence was what he called "the science expedition feature" like The Creature From the Black Lagoon and Val Guest's The Abominable Snowman: "Scientists go into a place where the locals know something and are like, 'Hey, I don't think you should be fucking with this thing.' We don't have locals in our film, but there's something about that. About going to an exotic place where our characters are out of their everyday environment [and] they encounter something they shouldn't mess with."

Forget all those cutesy romanticized unicorns. If you see a thousand pounds of mystical beast with a razor-sharp lance sticking out of its head, run for the hills. And definitely don't do what widowed business executive Elliott (Paul Rudd, Ant-Man) does on a trip with his estranged daughter Ridley (Jenna Ortega, Wednesday) to meet his new bosses: run one over, then try to hide the body in the back of your car.

When Scharfman started researching unicorn stories, he found there'd been myths about the beast for two and a half millennia before Misty Brightdawn went trotting through Ponyville. The first known description of a unicorn dates back to 398 BC, when Ctesias, the Greek physician to King Artaxerxes II of the Achaemenid Empire, described a horned ass in his travel journal Indica. He claimed that drinking from a mug made from the horn would cure diseases. Throughout history, the rich and powerful have sought unicorn horns as a panacea. Scharfman noted. "And if you're updating the medieval unicorn story, then what is a lord and nobleman other than an oligarchic family with an industrial fiefdom that happens to be pharmaceuticals?"

Enter Elliott's bosses: Richard E. Grant as cancer-riddled industrialist Dell Leopold, Téa Leoni as his trophy wife, and Will Poulter as their bro-y son who founds dodgy startups

#### **Death of a Unicorn**

HEADLINER, WORLD PREMIE SATURDAY 8, 5:30PM, PARAMOUNT THEATRE SUNDAY 9, 11AM, HYATT REGENCY

and name-drops billionaires. Their interest in the mythical creature is driven by greed, not awe. Making them the physical embodiment of Big Pharma allowed Scharfman to probe our ethically murky relationship with drug companies. "Coming out of the pandemic," he said, "we owe a great debt to the pharmaceutical industry for creating a vaccine in a matter of months for a brand-new virus, but at the same time they did it for profit. Helping people was the means, not the end."

In the writing, Scharfman increasingly found that with the power dynamics between the Leopolds and between Elliott and Ridley, the film became about generational divides, and he cast the film accordingly - "with Richard being in the baby boomer zone, and Paul being more in the Gen-X world, and Will being this millennial who's standing to inherit the world from the boomers," he explained. "As a millennial myself, it's a fascinating thing of all the homeownership rates being in the toilet, but also this great wealth transfer that people are anticipating. Well, the boomers are going to die, and all these man-children and immature people are going to soon inherit this wealth. What have they been doing, and how are they going to handle all of that?"

In Death of a Unicorn, the beast begins to represent something older and more primal than the mere concerns of share prices and inheritance taxes. So, in resurrecting the ancient versions, "we give you that magical, pure unicorn, but it's also not the thing you expect it to be. ... Not monsters but old-world gods, like in Princess Mononoke, deer gods and giant wolves, untamed and representing something." It's how creature features would often turn their monsters into gods, with both the Creature from the Black Lagoon and King Kong worshipped as deities to be placated and avoided.

That wariness is something that was a constant in early mythologies. For cultures like the ancient Greeks, Scharfman said, "The gods live right there. They're on a mountain and you can see it. They're not floating above us who knows where. They walk among us from time to time.' ... It gives you a certain sense of consequences, and a certain sense that, 'These rules are pretty strict. We better pay attention to that."









# Nothing Sacred, Always Profane

The story of Central Texas psychedelic-punk legends Butthole Surfers

BY JOE GROSS

There's a photo you've seen before.

It's of Willie Nelson, the late psychedelic rock pioneer Roky Erickson, and Gibby Haynes, singer in the Butthole Surfers. It was taken in Luck, Texas, by photographer Scott Newton in 1995.

There is straw on the floor and they are in front of a Texas flag, which looks huge but is the size of a flag you might see flying at a car dealership. Willie is a mere 62, Roky has not yet emerged from the mental illness that dominated too much of his life, and Gibby is gesturing to the camera, being ... Gibby.

Even with the subjects, right to left, being Gibby, Willie, and Roky, it is impossible not to look at it and think: three Texas musicians we admire most, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost (God's in the middle, duh). The man who came to Austin and codified outlaw country, the inventor of psychedelic rock, and the chaotic weirdo who, with his fellow travelers in the Butthole Surfers, embodied psychedelia at its most outlaw.

There's a good documentary series about Willie (Willie Nelson & Family, streaming on Paramount+), and a terrific doc about Roky (You're Gonna Miss Me, and good luck with finding a DVD under \$80). And now, debuting at SXSW, Butthole Surfers: The Hole Truth and Nothing Butt, in which director Tom Stern unpacks what made this curious and influential collection of musicians tick, what combination of skill and substances got them there and how it all fell apart.

Fact(?): The Butthole Surfers were the best live underground rock band of the 1980s. Some would contend you don't even need "underground" or "rock" in there.

Seeing the Surfers, "that is a changing point in your life," says Richard Linklater in the doc. In Aaron Tanner's nifty art book, Butthole Surfers: What Does Regret Mean?, everyone from Stephen Malkmus to David Yow declares them the best live band of the epoch. A panoply of rockers (Dean Ween, Flea, Dave Grohl) say as much onscreen.

Stern would agree. He first saw them with fellow Tisch student Alex Winter (yes, from Bill & Ted's Excellent Adventure, and an excellent filmmaker in his own right) in the mid-Eighties and was converted instantly. "There was no precedent for it, for me," he says. He met guitarist and co-founder Paul Leary ("a nice normal guy to me") and Gibby ("not a normal guy").

Stern is calling from the road; he and his family are going on a quick ski trip, a calm before the SXSW storm. He is rushing to

"It was time to enshrine

their legacy."

TOM STERN, DIRECTOR

lock his movie in time for the festival but his family also needs a bit of a break, he explains; they lost their house in the Altadena fires,

which means that the director lost virtually everything related to the movie: his home production studio, props, papers, all of his possessions, the whole shebang.

"I love Altadena, we are going to rebuild there," he says, but he and his family are still living in someone else's house as he wraps up the film. Still: oof.

Back when he was a student, in 1986, Stern cut together a video, on spec, for the Butthole Surfers song "Cherub." (Sharpeyed readers will note that Austin noise rock savants Cherubs were named after the song.) The band dug it and they worked together on and off throughout Stern's career as a writer, director, and producer. About five years ago, Stern got the bug: "It was time to enshrine their legacy."

#### **Butthole Surfers: The Hole Truth and Nothing Butt**

24 BEATS PER SECOND. WORLD PREMIERE

WEDNESDAY 12, 3:30PM, PARAMOUNT THEATRE THURSDAY 13, 9PM, AFS CINEMA

He talked to most everyone from the band: Gibby, Leary, drummers King Coffey and the late Theresa Taylor, and nine bassists, including "classic era" bassist JD Pinkus. Look for nifty animation and plenty of puppets. You don't even have to look very hard to see puppet dick.

Stern also talked to detractors, with beefs large and small, some mixed with respect. some not. "If vou're around [Gibby] long enough, something bad is going to happen," Melvins guitarist Buzz Osborne says in the doc.

The late musician/engineer Steve Albini went to his grave thinking they were awful people for the grubby way their relationship ended with Touch and Go Records, which put out the band's most powerful records in the mid-Eighties. "Albini loved to trash-talk them," Sterns says. "Not every voice can be positive."

And there is plenty of negative in there. The Surfers were the opposite of the Reaganite morality cops; musically, they were at the other end of the rock spectrum from, say, R.E.M., whose appeal to the New Waver and frat guv alike made them gods of the underground, then global stars. The Surfers were more like the underground Grateful Dead: Both had two drummers, a devout following that gave the

> band life-changing properties, a belief in the power of the psychedelic mind state and a fondness of consciousness change. Speaking of, drugs are

a huge part of the Surfers' story. Forget the acid, weed, and beer that powered a lot of the Surfers' work and fandom; Gibby became a heroin user and, well, a lot of people looked up to Gibby. (He is now clean, married, and a father.)

To its credit, "The Hole Truth" doesn't shy away from these complexities. It can't get into everything (hardcore Surfers nerds might blanch at the absence of the Rough Trade Records period - "the movie was getting pretty long," Stern says). Some of the discussion around drugs is perhaps revisionist. But it does explain their weird major label period and focuses long and hard at the creative love story between Leary and Gibby.

"The core human story is the partnership between these two guys," Stern says. "It's not the Surfers unless those two guys are involved."

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# Inside the Unspeakable Killings That Changed Austin Forever

Margaret Brown explores the tragedy and lingering trauma in four-part series The Yogurt Shop Murders By Richard WHITTAKER

Every community has a crime that redefines its image of itself. Whether it's the Zodiac Killer in San Francisco, the Black Dahlia murder in Los Angeles, or the Saint Valentine's Day Massacre in Chicago, it's an event so terrible that it becomes seen as an end to innocence.

The Yogurt Shop Murders

In Austin, it's the infamous Yogurt Shop Murders. On December 6, 1991, four teenagers - Amy Ayers (aged 13), Eliza Thomas (17), and the Harbison sisters. Jennifer (17) and Sarah Harbison (15) - were shot and their bodies burned at an I Can't Believe It's Yogurt! at the corner of Rockwood and Anderson. The slayings remain unsolved, damaging not only the lives of their families and friends, but those of the wrongfully prosecuted suspects, and of investigators haunted by the case they never cracked.

Now Austin-based director Margaret Brown is exploring that seemingly never-ending tragedy in her new four-part series for HBO, The Yogurt Shop Murders. Ahead of the first episode receiving its premiere at South by Southwest, she explained how she almost felt obligated to tell the story. "It haunted the town so much that I felt it had to be an Austin filmmaker telling it."

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DOCUMENTARIAN MARGARET BROWN



But if you're expecting a traditional true crime drama, replete with reenactments and archive footage, that's not the kind of documentary that Brown makes – even if she initially thought that was the plan. She explained, "I have a lot of friends who are journalists, and we had talked about the crime, and they had got me interested in something that I ended up not being as interested in, which is the machinations of the crime." Yet that doesn't mean she wasn't still fascinated by the story. "When I met the families, I pivoted," she said, and as a result "the show is less about true crime and more about trauma. ... To me, the screaming headline was about all the people that it touched."

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It's also about Austin over the last three and a half decades. Whether exploring her birthplace of Mobile, Alabama, in The Order of Myths, or towns along the Gulf of Mexico in

### The Yogurt Shop Murders

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The Great Invisible, or the lives of the residents of Africatown in Descendant, Brown's documentaries are less forensic than they are holistic depictions of an entire community. "And this film is definitely about Austin," she said.

Moreover, rather than simply rehashing the bucolic myths of early-Nineties Austin, she tries to be honest about what it was really like to truly contextualize the murders. "Was it really innocent before," she pondered, "or was it just that crimes were happening in certain neighborhoods?"

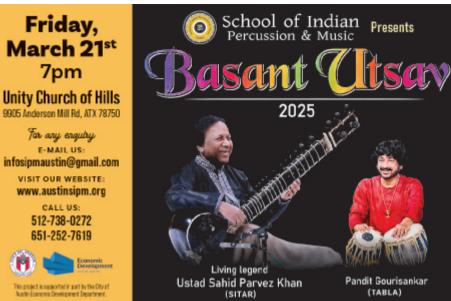
While Brown makes films about communities, the theme of trauma is also constant. such as the environmental carnage of an oil spill in The Great Invisible or the legacy of slavery in Descendant. The more she researched the murders, the more she knew that trauma was the subject. "I couldn't live with myself otherwise. That was the only way in for me."

It was actually the first day of principal photography that reinforced that conviction, as she sat down with Pam and Bob Ayers, Amy's parents. "The first thing Bob said to me was the amount of hours and minutes it had been since his daughter had been murdered. It just hit me in this moment that, oh my god, time froze for this family in a way that I can't even imagine."

Yet even before that moment. Brown was aware of the weight of the task. When she moved to Austin in the late Nineties, it wasn't just that the psychic wound of the murders was still fresh. It had left a physical imprint on the city, a billboard at Ben White and South Congress with photos of the girls, pleading for tips that never came. She was also astonished by how many people she met were affected by the crime. "So many of my friends in town have extremely personal connections - or were taken in by the cops. All the weirdos were targeted."

Those scars have never really healed. Instead, the Yogurt Shop Murders have become a part of Austin's identity. Brown said that she realized that having lived in Austin on and off over the past 30 years would inform how she told this story. At the same time, having not been here when the murders happened meant it wasn't as immediately personal to her. She recalled the words of a friend and fellow filmmaker who had been a classmate of the victims: "She told me, 'I could never work on that, but I'm glad that you're doing it."





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# This Fandom **Moves Mountains**

How the BTS ARMY superpowered the megapopular South Korean boy band

**BY JENNY NULF** 

Fandom is not a new concept. So, what exactly is unique about the BTS fandom? In the documentary FOREVER WE ARE YOUNG, directors Grace Lee and Patty Ahn explore BTS's fan base - the BTS ARMY (short for Adorable Representative MC for Youth) - from its early stages to what it means to be ARMY now.

"We're ARMY, and have been observing K-pop fans for a long time," Lee started. "I'd never seen such a diverse group of people in every single way. As Korean Americans, a stadium full of people singing in Korean is just incredible to us."

"I think both of us really wanted to document that history and just kind of freeze it as a moment in time, having never seen a fandom like this before - this diverse, this geographically vast, this linguistically diverse, etc.," Ahn added.

Lee's ARMY journey began in Japan: "All I saw was BTS everywhere. It was so fascinating to me [because] my parents were Korean immigrants who grew up in Japan-colonized

Korea. [My mom] had to speak Japanese. So, it was so crazy to see Japan, and basically the rest of Asia, being colonized by Korean culture .... Most of the documentaries I've made look at questions like identity, community, and social movements, and ARMY just fit in."

Ahn, a professor of K-pop, was introduced by a student to BTS song "Spring Day," which has been connected to the Sewol Ferry Tragedy of 2014 by fans. "[The song] was critical. I had never seen a K-pop group speak about social issues like that, and in such an emotional way."

For years Ahn has been researching K-pop's attempted integration into the U.S., but it wasn't until ARMY that she started to see something click.

"How did American media respond to K-pop's different attempts to break into the U.S.?" Ahn questioned. "Usually with backlash and ridicule ... BTS really shattered that image and [it's] really on the wings of ARMY who [held] these journalists accountable for talking about BTS, or K-pop, in a culturally and racially narrow way."

#### **Forever We Are Young**

24 BEATS PER SECOND. WORLD PREMIERE

MONDAY 10, 11AM, PARAMOUNT THEATRE TUESDAY 11, 5:45PM, ZACH THEATRE

For Lee and Ahn. ARMY is much more than a fan base of young people who are passionate about their favorite band. Forever We Are Young goes beyond the surface level of fandom by tapping into the potential for a body of like-minded individuals to enact change. Many of the subjects in the film aren't just ARMY fans, but they've worked to mold ARMY into the culturally relevant body it is today.

"There is something unique about ARMY and their commitment to social justice issues," Ahn noted. "Part of it is the scale and the volume with which ARMY can move. But because BTS's message in their music is about social justice, caring for each other, mutual respect, [and] loving ourselves, it inspires a particular kind of culture of care."

Ahn added, "I think [ARMY] pushes us to think about fandom as more than just people loving their favorite group, but actually as potential for social movement making, and of community making, of culture making ... [it's] the potential of what fandom can be. It's not just about loving music, it's about loving each other, taking care of each other, and what other time than now do we need a story and message like that?"

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The actor, advocate, and first Deaf actor to win an Academy Award reflects on her career and influence, which extends to Deaf actor and first-time director Shoshannah Stern, who appears on camera to interview Matlin in ASL.

-KIMBERLEY JONES





# **CLOWN TOWN**

A Midwestern slasher is on the loose in "hopeful horror" Clown in a Cornfield by RICHARD WHITTAKER

When did clowns become creepy? For centuries, they were beloved bringers of laughter and prickers of pomposity. Now the word is synonymous with grinning butchers like John Wayne Gacy, Pennywise, and Art. However, horror-comedy Clown in a Cornfield remembers when the most dangerous weapon they wielded was a seltzer bottle. Writer/ director Eli Craig explained, "We definitely play with that dichotomy between the cute clown and the horrible, terrifying clown."

The giddily gruesome bloodfest, which makes its world premiere at South by Southwest 2025, adapts Adam Cesare's award-winning smash hit young adult horror novel about teens in the dying town of Kettle Springs, Missouri, under attack by a slasher. However, this isn't any random masked killer, but instead looks a lot like Frendo, beloved mascot of the now-shuttered Baypen Brand Corn Syrup factory.

Craig is no stranger to bloody comedy in rural communities, as he is probably best known as the twisted mind behind an all-time great horror comedy, Tucker & Dale vs. Evil. Yet it didn't obtain that status overnight. After debuting at SXSW

2010, it took a year and a half for it to get distribution and a theatrical release. "The studio system itself was like, 'This is not a good film, we will not release it," Craig said. While he admits he may have had an easier career if he'd gone "fully dark" with his movies, "I don't want to. I have a sense of humor, and I can't avoid it." He even dubs his particular brand "hopeful horror. [It] has heart and humor, and hopefully some depth and character."

So who cries for the clown? Craig does, a bit. After all, Frendo's fall from friend to fiend is an American tragedy. and he sees a similar metaphor in how corn syrup, once the lifeblood of small towns like Kettle Springs, is now a toxic ingredient. Back in the 1930s, he said, "It was a salve for all these illnesses, it was a medicine, it was a sweetener, and it wasn't seen as bad in any way."

Clowns have suffered a similar fate. "They were once a part of American culture in a way that was so joyful." In Clown in a Cornfield, Frendo isn't just some random carny under greasepaint, but an icon of success. "They celebrate Frendo because it was a one-industry town that ran on corn syrup."

So, Craig's biggest task wasn't making Frendo scary, but reminding modern audiences that people used to genuinely love clowns. That love remains in Kettle Springs because Frendo represents better times to "a place that's lost its flame a little bit but is hanging on to it, because that's all it had." That's why the town is filled with vintage ads and even a jack-inthe-box decorated with a kinder, gentler clown - "this cute little Frendo that would have been the Frendo from the Thirties."

In bringing Frendo to the screen, he was particularly inspired by advertising icons like Krinkles the Clown, the Post Sugar Rice Krinkles mascot who transitioned from promoting breakfast treats to postwar children into raw nightmare fuel. For Craig. it's that very commercialization that made audiences increasingly uneasy. "If you look at the Forties commercials, you can't believe they were marketing this stuff for kids. There's clowns tearing their way out of paper and going, 'Kids, enjoy your own little cereal today!' and it's terrifying precisely because it's meant to be joyful, and it's meant to make kids wanna buy something.'

#### Clown in a Cornfield

NARRATIVE SPOTLIGHT WORLD PREMIERE

MONDAY 10, 6:15PM, PARAMOUNT THEATRE WEDNESDAY 12, 2:30PM, HYATT REGENCY





# When Terror Has Your Number

A single mom on a first date becomes the target of anonymous threats in Blumhouse thriller *Drop* 

BY RICHARD WHITTAKER

Between the time loop antics of the Happy Death Day movies and body-swap slasher satire Freaky, filmmaker Christopher Landon has a reputation for teen-centric horror comedies - or, as he calls them "feel-good horror." But that reputation may change with his new film, Drop, a technothriller about the terrors of dating as an adult. "My husband jokingly calls this my grownup movie," he explained.

A former resident of Austin, he'll be back for the world premiere of *Drop* at this year's South by Southwest. While the venue may be familiar, the film is a change for Landon because, as a screenwriter turned writer-director, it's only the second time in his career that he's directed someone else's script. "A lot of people say that every director's next movie is a reaction to the previous one, and I think in this particular case I was reacting to a movie that I was supposed to make but didn't." After so much feel-good horror, he was looking for something darker.

#### Drop

HEADLINER, WORLD PREMIER

SUNDAY 9, 9:30PM, PARAMOUNT THEATRE MONDAY 10, 2:30PM, HYATT REGENCY

That's when he was handed a very early draft of the script by the duo of Jillian Jacobs and Chris Roach (Fantasy Island, Truth or Dare) about Violet (Meghann Fahy), a widow on a blind date who starts having mysterious and increasingly threatening files sent to her phone. In it, he saw the opportunity to "flex some other muscles" by delving into its more mature themes.

A major directorial challenge was building the restaurant that becomes the location for this dangerous date. As soon as he started exchanging image files with production designer Susie Cullen, he knew they were on the same page because "we ended up sending each other a lot of the same images. What we both really wanted was this location that felt very sort of dramatic and beautiful, and sort of the kind of place you would take a special date. But also, we wanted it to ultimately feel like a gilded cage. And so when you look at sort of the design of the place, you see a lot of metal bars kind of encroaching on spaces, and that was the whole idea there was to sort of give you this sense that you know Violet is trapped in this beautiful but dangerous place."

"A lot of the stuff that's in the movie was born out of a certain legal necessity." To wit. while the software used to terrorize Violet is very similar to AirDrop, it is most definitely not AirDrop. "Apple is very proprietary about their phones, and specifically their apps. ... It's not even a 'name your price.' It's just a 'it's off the table." Rather than waste time asking for permissions that would never come, the film's designers built their own interface. Landon said, "It was about designing something that felt like it could be a competitive app, but that is also clearly sort of winking and nodding at something that the audience already knows and understands."

While the team didn't even bother haggling over platforms, there was no cutting corners on getting the rights to real-world memes. "That was a bitch to deal with." Landon admitted, "but I'm very happy that we got to where we did, and that we were able to get all of them."

He explained it was "vital" to have those iconic onscreen images. With them, he said, "[The audience] is lured into sort of the false comfort of, like, 'this is a game,' and then, of course, it turns sinister."



# **LEARNING CURVE** TO THE STARS

With sci-fi thriller Ash, Flying Lotus makes one giant leap as a director by RICHARD WHITTAKER

Ash marks a big career moment for musicianturned-filmmaker Flying Lotus. "This is my first real movie," he claimed. Technically, he made his directorial debut 2017 phantasmagoria Kuso "but this is the first time with a completely pro approach. We had production offices and people had trailers."

The film is a cosmic trip to a wild planet, where human explorers find alien technologies that make them wish they were alone in the universe. It's a far remove from Kuso, a microbudget collage of live action, puppets, decoupage, and Claymation made with his friends. This time, he was filming in New Zealand, far away from "my home base infrastructure. I'm from L.A., and I'm used to having access to people that I know, and it's a pretty diverse address book in my phone, from all types of folks. I wasn't able to call on people that I'm close to."

However, Flying Lotus was definitely ready to make the move into larger-scale directing. In selecting Ash, he was guided by some sage advice: "As world-famous director Guillermo del Toro told me, 'Only direct the films that need you, and not the films that you need." That's what he felt when he read Jonni Remmler's script for Ash. "I went, 'OK, It's almost like a video game. I know this stuff. I know what it needs. It just needs a little bit of that and a little bit of that. That's kind of how I know something's for me, where it might not all be on the page but there's enough there for me to build my own lore, and contribute my universe."

However, even if this was his first "real" feature as a director, he's no stranger to the film business. Aside from directing both Kuso and "Ozzy's

Dungeon," a segment in 2022 horror anthology V/H/S/99, he composed scores, worked as a cinematographer, and even had a few brief onscreen appearances. Ash sees him turn actor in his biggest role yet, but this was no self-indulgent Hitchcockian cameo. "I really didn't want to be in the movie," he said, but his hand was forced due to the small number of Black actors in New Zealand. "There was either going to be no Black people in the movie, or I was going to be in it."

His first day on set was also his first scenes in the part, so now a first-time director's dream cast of Eiza González (From Dusk Till Dawn: The Series, Alita: Battle Angel), Aaron Paul (Breaking Bad), and Iko Uwais (The Raid 2) became this rookie actor's castmates. "I was terrified," he said. If he'd known in advance that he'd be appearing onscreen, he added, "I'd have got in Marvel shape." The self-criticism doesn't stop there. "If you've ever heard the sound of your own voice: 'Oh my god, I sound like that?' That's how I feel all the time." Yet, in hindsight, he views the experience as another part of his growth as a director. "Being in front of the camera makes you think about what the actor's going through in their process, so I really do appreciate the exercise of it."

#### Ash

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### GLOBAL

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#### Corina

Director: Urzula Barba Hopfner Screenwriters: Urzula Barba, Samuel Sosa North American Premiere | Mexico | 2025 | 96 MIN

Spanish; Castilian with English Subtitles

Corina suffers from agoraphobia due to a traumatic event from her childhood. Everything will have to change if she wants to save her job.

Cast: Najen González Nervind, Cristo Fernández, Carolina Politi, Mariana Gimenez, Laura de Ita, Gerardo Trejoluna

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#### Fury

Director: Gemma Blasco Screenwriters: Gemma Blasco, Eva Pauné World Premiere | Spain | 2025 | 107 MIN Catalan; Valoncian, Spanish; Castilian with English Subtitios

After being raped on New Year's Eve, Alex seeks refuge in her brother. But consumed by rage, he follows an increasingly dark path. His reaction pushes them apart, and she channels her pain through theater, embodying the vengeful character of Medea.

Cast: Ángela Cervantes, Álex Monner, Carla Linares, Eli Iranzo, Salim Daprincee, Pau Escobar, Victoria Rivero

Saturday, March 8 | 11:00am | Violet Grown Cinema 1 & 3 Sunday, March 9 | 2:30pm | Violet Crown Cinema 1 & 3 Tuesday, March 11 | 10:45am | Alamo Lamar 1 & 8

#### Glorious Summer

Directors/Screenwriters: Helena Ganjalyan, Bartosz Szpak

World Premiere | Poland | 2025 | 88 MIN

**Polish with English Subtitios** 

A sun-drenched Renaissance palace. Three women remain in a carefree state of limbo, tended to by an unseen, all-providing system. But as cracks in the paradise begin to appear, they are faced with a choice: escape or remain in the perfect illusion?

Cast: Magdalena Fejdasz-Hanczewska, Helena Ganjalyan, Daniela Komędena, Weronika Humaj

Saturday, March 8 | 3:00pm | Violet Crown Cinema 2 & 4 Monday, March 10 | 11:30am | Violet Crown Disamo 2 & 4 Thursday, March 13 | 6:45pm | Alamo Lamar 2 & 7



#### Real Faces

Director: Leni Huyghe Screenwriters: Leni Huyghe, Vincent

World Premiere | Belgium | 2025 | 92 MIN **Dutch: Flemish, French with English Subtitles** Julia, an ambitious casting agent, relocates to Brussels. Struggling to build a new life, she masks her insecurities behind a façade of success. She meets microbiologist Eliott and forms an authentic friendship that inspires her to break free.

Cast: Leonie Buysse, Gorges Ocloo, Joely Mbundu, Yoann Blanc, Karlijn Sileghem Friday, March 7 | 9:00pm | Violet Crown Cinema 2 & 4 Saturday, March 8 | 9:30pm | Violet Crown Cinema 2 & 4 Monday, March 10 I 9:00pm I Violet Orown Cinema 1 & 9



#### Trans Memoria

Director/Screenwriter: Victoria Verseau U.S. Premiere | Sweden | 2025 | 72 MIN

English, Swedish with English Subtitles
In an exploration of self-discovery. Victoria, Athena and Aamina navigate womanhood through loss and introspection, weaving past regrets and future aspirations in a poetic documentation of embracing true selves.

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### **HEADLINER**

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#### The Accountant 2

Director: Gavin O'Connor Screenwriter: Bill Dubuque

World Premiere | United States | 2025 | 124 MIN

Christian Wolff is brought out of hiding by Treasury Agent Marybeth Medina after someone close to them is killed by unknown assassins. To solve the murder, Wolff must recruit the help of his estranged but highly lethal brother Brax.

Cast: Ben Affleck, Jon Bernthal, Cynthia Addai-Robinson, Daniella Pineda, Allison Robertson, J.K. Simmons

Saturday, March B | 9:00pm | Paramount Theatre Sunday, March 9 | 2:30pm | SXSW Film & TV Theater @ The Hyatt

#### Another Simple Favor

Director: Paul Feig

Screenwriters: Jessica Sharzer, Laeta Kalogridis World Premiere | United States | 2025 | 120 MIN

Stephanie Smothers and Emily Nelson are back for even more glamour, murder and betrayal as they head to Italy for Emily's surprise wedding.

Cast: Anna Kendrick, Blake Lively, Andrew Rannells, Bashir Salahuddin, Elizabeth Perkins, Michele Morrone, Alex Newell, Henry Golding, Allison Janey

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Director: Flying Lotus Screenwriter: Jonni Remmler

World Premiere | United States | 2025 | 95 MIN

A woman wakes up on a distant planet and finds the crew of her space station viciously killed. Her investigation into what happened sets in motion a terrifying chain of events.

Cast: Eiza González, Aaron Paul, Flying Lotus, Iko Uwais, Kate Elliott, Beulah Koale

Tuesday, March 11 | 9:30pm | Paramount Theatre Wednesday, March 12 | II:00am | SXSW Film & TV Theater @ The Hyatt

#### Death of a Unicorn

Director/Screenwriter: Alex Scharfman

World Premiere | United States | 2025 | 104 MIN

A father and daughter accidentally hit and kill a unicorn while en route to a weekend retreat, where his billionaire boss seeks to exploit the creature's miraculous curative properties.

Cast: Paul Rudd, Jenna Crtega, Will Poulter, Téa Leoni, Richard E. Grant, Anthony Carrigan, Sunita Mani, Jessica Hynes, Stephen Park

Saturday, March 8 | 5:30pm | Paramount Theatre Sunday, March 9111:00am I SXSW Film & TV Theater @ The Hyatt

#### Drop

Director: Christopher Landon Screenwriters: Jillian Jacobs, Chris Roach

World Premiere | United States | 2025 | 100 MIN

A widowed mother, on her first date in years, arrives at an upscale restaurant where she meets her handsome date. But their chemistry begins to curdle as she begins being irritated and then terrorized by a series of anonymous drops to her phone.

Cast: Meghann Fahy, Brandon Sklenar, Violett Beane, Jacob Robinson, Ed Weeks

Sunday, March 919:30pm | Pacamount Theatre Monday, March IO | 2:30pm | SXSW Film & TV Theater @ The Hyatt Regency

#### Holland

Director: Mimi Cave Screenwriter: Andrew Sodroski

World Premiere | United States | 2025 | 108 MIN

In this unpredictable thriller, Nancy is a teacher whose life with her husband in Holland, Michigan, tumbles into a twisted tale when she and her colleague become suspicious of a secret.

Cast: Nicole Kidman, Matthew Macfadyen, Jude Hill, Gael Garcia Bernal

Sunday, March 9 | 6:00pm | Paramount Theatre Monday, Narch 10 | 1tt00am | SVSW Film & TV Theater @ The Hyatt



# VISIONS

#### Dead Lover

Director: Grace Glowicki Screenwriters: Grace Glowicki, Ben

Texas Premiere | Canada | 2025 | 83 MIN A lonely Gravedigger who stinks of corpses finally meets her

dream man, but their affair is cut short when he tragically drowns at sea. Grief-stricken. she goes to morbid lengths to resurrect him, resulting in grave consequences and unlikely love.

Cast: Grace Glowicki, Ben Petrie, Leah Duz, Lowen Morrow

Sunday, March 9 | 7:00pm | Alamo Lamar 2 & 7 Monday, March 10 | 815cm | AFS Cinema Wednesday, March 12 | 9:30 pm | Alamo Lamar 9

#### Ghost Boy Director: Rodney Ascher

World Premiere | United States | 2025

Martin Pistorius slipped into a coma at the age of 12. Three years later he woke up but was unable to communicate and noone realized he was fully aware. This is the true story of his remarkable journey back to life.

Friday, March T | S:45pm | SXSW Film & TV Theater @ The Hyatt Regency Saturday, March 8 | 2:30pm | AFS Cinema Wednesday, March 12 | 3:00pm | Vidlet Grown Cinema 2 & 4

#### The Infinite Husk

Director/Screenwriter: Aaron Silverstein

World Premiere | United States | 2025 |

An alien consciousness, sent to Earth to spy on one of its own kind, learns what it means to be human.

Cast: Peace Ikediuba, Foreste Jean Feely, Circus-Szalewski, Michael Jon Murphy, Geona Alexandra, Gary Lee Reed, William Thomas Jones, Smaran Harihar, Jyl Haruye Kaneshiro

Monday, March 10 | 9:45pm | Alamo Lamar 2 & 7 Wednesday, March 12 | 5:30pm | Alamo Lamar 3 & 4 Saturday, March 15 | 11:15am | Alamo Lamar 8

#### Night Fight Director: Khary Saeed Jones

World Fremiere | United States | 2025 | 78 MIN

It's been seven years since I was followed by a vigilante down back roads in rural Canada. Night Fight explores the secret life spawned by the encounter and the impossible task of sharing this experience with my young

Friday, March 7 | 615pm | Violet Crown Cinema 1 & 3 Sunday, March 9 | 11:30am | Violet Orown Cinema 1 & 3 Thursday, March 13 | 11:15am | Alamo Lamar 1 & 8

#### Odyssey

Director: Gerard Johnson Screenwriters: Gerard Johnson, Austin Collings

World Premiere | United Kingdom | 2025 | 110 MIN

Natasha Flynn, a coke-fueled London estate agent, hides her crumbling life behind luxury. When loan sharks offer cash to hide a kidnapped agent, she's dragged into London's seedy underworld, leading to a bloody, chaotic showdown.

Cast: Polly Maberly, Mikael Persbrandt, Jasmine Blackborow, Guy Burnet, Ryan Hayes, Charley Palmer Rothwell, Kellie Shirley

Sunday, March 9 | 2:45pm | Alamo Lamar 9 Monday, March 10 | 2:45pm | Violet Orown Cinema 2.8, 4

Wednesday, March 12 | 6:00pm | Violet Crown Cinemat & 3



#### We Are Storror

Director: Michael Bay World Premiere | United States | 2025 | 95 MIN

A thrilling, emotional parkour odyssey chronicling the 7 childhood friends who escalated and came to define this extreme sport; The dizzying rise, tragic setbacks and inseparable brotherhood captured firsthand while in pursuit of the ultimate stunt.

Saturday, March 8 | 3:00pm | ZACH Theatre Tuesday, March TI | Tt:00am | ZACH Theatre

#### Your Higher Self

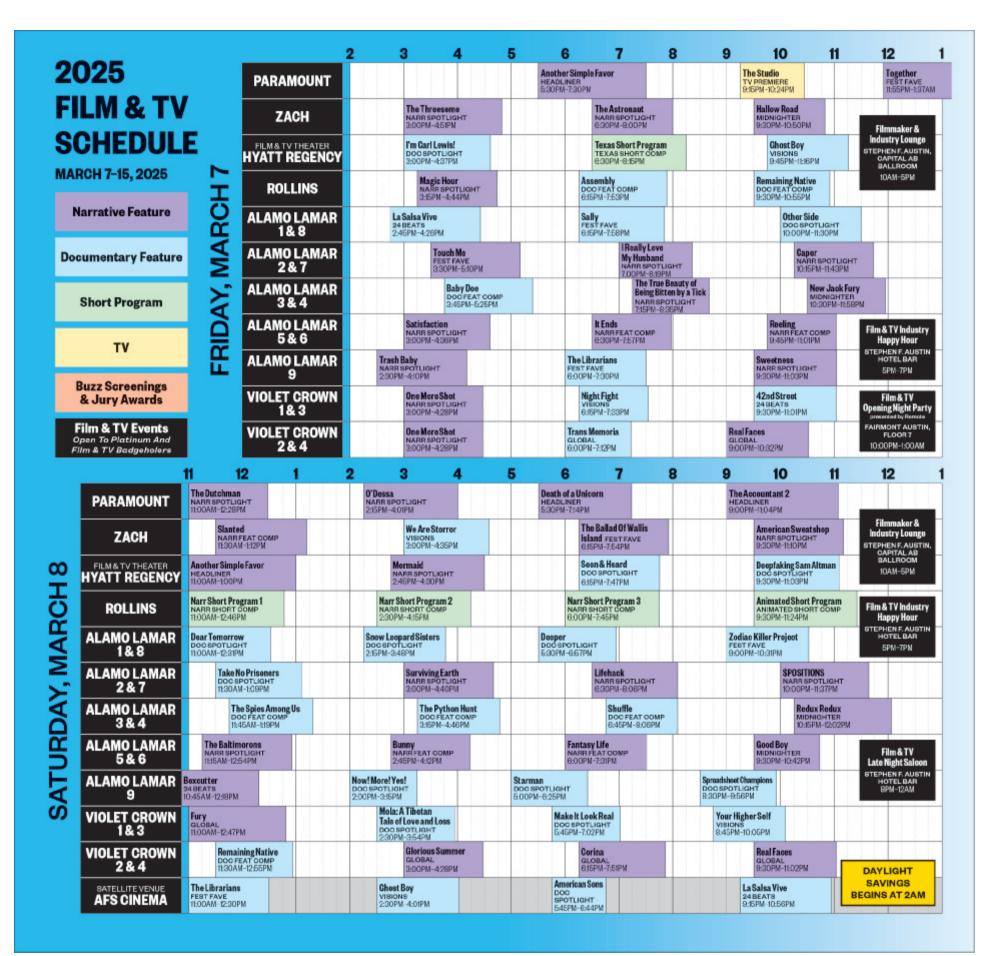
Director/Screenwriter: Annie St-Pierre International Premiere | Canada | 2025 | 80 MIN

English, French, Japanese with English Subtitles Part sympathetic portrait and part exposé of the absurd, Your Higher Self dives into the world of life coaching -a

modern phenomenon in full swing- embodying the quest of our individualistic society: to be oneself, only better.

Saturday, March 8 | 8:45pm | Violet Crown Cinema 1 & 3 Menday, March 10 | 6:45pm | Violet Orown Cinema 1.8.3

Thursday, March 13 | 2:30pm | Alamo Lamar 5 & 6



#### MIDNIGHTER

#### Descendent

Director/Screenwriter: Peter Cilella World Premiere | United States | 2025 | 92 MIN

After a traumatic brain injury triggers terrifying visions of extraterrestrials and a newfound talent for drawing, a father-to-be begins to question his reality and becomes obsessed with the need to protect his family from an unseen threat.

Cast: Ross Marquand, Sarah Bolger, Susan Wilder, Charlene Amoia, Dan O'Brien, Brandon Scott, Alexandra Barreto, Alex Ruiz, Clare Cooney, Emily Pendergast

Monday March 10 19:00pm | Alamo | array 5 & 6 Tuesday, March II | 11:00am | Violet Crown Cinema 1 & 3

Wednesday, March 12 | 10:00pm | Alamo Lamar 2 & 7

#### Good Boy

Director: Ben Leonberg Screenwriters: Alex Cannon, Ben Leonberg

World Premiere | United States | 2025 | 72 MIN

Do you ever wonder why your dog stares at empty corners, banks for no reason, or refuses to go into the basement? Good Boy is the story of a dog who sees everything that goes bump in the night. No talking pets, just terrifying scares.

Cast: Indy, Shane Jensen, Larry Fessenden, Arielle Friedman, Stuart Rudin, Anya Krawcheck, Max

Saturday, March S | 9:30pm | Alamo Lamar 5 & 6 Monday, March 10 | 11:15am | Alamo Lamar 9 Friday, March 14 | 11:45am | SXSW Film & TV Theater @ The Hyatt Regency

#### Hallow Road

Director: Babak Anvari Screenwriter: William Gillies

World Premiere | Czechia, Ireland, United Kingdom | 2025 | 80 MIN

Two parents enter a race against time when they receive a distressing late-night phone call from their daughter after she caused a tragic car accident.

Cast: Rosamund Piks, Matthew Rhys, Megan McDonnell

Friday, March 719:30pm (ZAOH Theatre Monday, March 10 | 2:45pm | Alamo Lamar 2 & 7 Friday, March 14 | 6:30pm | Alamo Lamar 6

#### The Home

Director: Mattias J Skoglund Screenwriters: Mattias J Skoglund, Mats Strandberg

World Premiere | Estonia, Iceland, Sweden | 2025 | 87 MIN

Swedish with English Subtities

Joel rejuctantly returns to his childhood town to help his mother Monika move into a home for people with dementia after she suffered a stroke. She is unrecognizable and Joel becomes convinced that something has followed her back from the other side.

Cast: Philip Oros, Anki Lidén, Gizem Erdogan, Malin Levanon, Peter Jankert, Lottle Ejenbrant, Ayan Ahmed, Bengt CW Carlsson

Monday, March 10 | 10:45pm | Alamo Lamar 3 & 4 Wednesday, March 12 | 3:00pm | Alamo Lamar I & 8 Saturday, March 15 | 3:00pm | Alamo Lamar 6



#### New Jack Furv

Director/Screenwriter: Lanfia Wal World Premiere | United States | 2025 | 88 MIN

After his girlfriend is kidnapped by a ruthless kingpin, a former cop must seek the help of two unlawful R&B eccentrics to help save her within the neonsoaked, jheri-curl rocking, synth bumping 1980s!

Cast: Andre Hall, Page Kennedy, Dean "Michael Trapson" Morrow, Paul Wheeler, Ally Renee, Shawn Nathan, Wrekless Watson, Ace Vane, James Markham Hall, Jr., Vincent M. Ward

Friday, March T | 10:30pm | Alamo Lamar 3 & 4 Monday, March 10 | 10:00 pm | Alamo Lamar 9 Thursday, March 13 | 10:00pm | Alamo Lamar 2 & 7

#### Nirvanna the Band the Show the Movie

Director: Matt Johnson Screenwriters: Matt Johnson & Jay

World Premiere | Canada | 2025 | 95

Matt and Jay try to get a show at the Rivoli.

Cast: Jay McCarrol, Matt Johnson

Sunday, March 9 19:30pm I ZAOH Theatre Tuesday, March 11 | 3:30pm | Alamo Lamar 3 & 4 Wednesday, March 12 | 9:45pm | Alamo Lamar 1 & 8

#### Redux Redux

Directors: Kevin McManus, Matthew

Screenwriter: McManus Brothers World Premiere | United States | 2025 | 107 MIN

In an attempt to avenge her daughter's death, Irene Kelly travels through parallel universes, killing her daughter's murderer over and over again. She grows addicted to the revenge streak, putting her own humanity in jeopardy.

Cast: Michaela McManus, Stella Marcus, Jeremy Holm, Jim Cummings, Grace Van Dien, Taylor Misiak, Dendrie Taylor

Saturday, March 8 | 10:15pm | Alamo Lamar 3 & 4 Sunday, March 9 | 5:15pm | Alamo Lamar 1 & 8 Saturday, March 15 | 9:30pm | Alamo Lamar 6

#### The Surrender

Director/Screenwriter: Julia Max World Premiere | United States | 2025 | 90 MIN

When the family patriarch dies, a grieving mother and daughter risk their lives to perform a brutal resurrection ritual that will bring him back from the dead.

Cast: Colby Minifie, Kate Burton, Neill Sandilands, Vaughn Armstrong, Mia Ellis, Pete Ploszek, Chelsea Alden, Alaina Pollack, Riley Rose Critchlow, Lola Prince Kelly

Sunday, March 9 l 10:30pm | Alamo Lamar 3 & 4 Wednesday, March 12 | 12:00pm | Alamo Lan

Friday, March 14 | 9:30pm | Alamo Lamar 8

## INDEPENDENT TV PILOT COMPETITION

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Sunday, March 9 | 8:00pm | Rollins Theatre at The Long Center Thursday, March 13 | 6:15pm | Alamo Lamar 9

### TV SPOTLIGHT

#### International TV Showcase

#### Dates in Real Life

Norway

Showrunner/Director/Screenwriter: Jakob

Ida spends most of her life online When her boyfriend Marvin. whom she's never met in person, announces he's dating another woman in real life, her world collapses. Ida sets out on a quest to find her own physical partner.

Cast: Gina Bernhoft Gervell, Jacques Colimon, Mathias Luppichini, Heidi Goldmann, Amund Sigurdssenn, Ifeoma Anene, Alexandra Vuillot, Ken Yamamura, Nikis Theophilakis

#### Dui Shaw

Bangladesh | 2025

Showrunner/Director: Nuhash Humayun After desecrating a sacred temple, some hooligans must face the supernatural consequences of their hate crime. Dui Shaw takes the dark side of contemporary South Asia and gives it a supernatural spin.

Cast: Allen Shubhro, Rizvi Rizu, Refat Hasan Saykat, Abdullah Sentu, Rafayatullah Sohar, Faiza Rahman Noon, Sahana Rahman Sumi, Mizanur Rahman, Mehmud Siddique, Yashrib Habib

Germany | 2024

Showrunner: Luisa Hardenberg, Directors: Katja Benrath, Mia Maariel Meyer Push revolves around the daily

challenges of three midwives working in a hospital in Berlin. They need to be nothing less than nurses, social workers and psychologists at the same time.

Cast: Mariam Hage, Anna Schudt, Lydia

Tuesday, March 11 | 9:45pm | Rollins Theatre at The Long Center

#### Mix Tape

Director: Lucy Gaffy Screenwriter: Jo Spain

World Premiere | Ireland, Australia | 2025 | 57 MIN

In Sheffield, 1989, teens Daniel and Alison meet at a house party, and bond over their love for music. The relationship they forge that night will follow them forever, and leave them wondering what could have been. Twenty years later, they reconnect.

Cast: Jim Stungess, Tenesa Palmer, Florence Hunt, Rory Walton-Smith

Sunday, March 9 | 6:15pm | SXSW Film & TV Theater @ The Hyatt Regency

# TV PREMIERE

#### #1 Happy Family USA

Showrunners: Ramy Youssef, Pam Brady Directors: Griffith Kimmins, Hannah Ayoubi, Maaike Maliwanag Scherff

Screenwriters: Ramy Youssef, Pam Brady, Josh Rabinowitz, Thorona Mullican Resenthal World Premiere | United States | 2025 | 80 MIN

#1 Happy Family USA follows the Husseins - the most patriotic, most peaceful, and most definitely-notsuspicious Muslim family in post-9/11 "Amreeka" as they navigate the early 2000s under the watchful eyes of their terrified neighbors.

Cast: Ramy Youssef, Mandy Moore, Chris Redd, Alia Shawkat, Akaash Singh, Salma Hindy, Whitmer Thomas, Randa Jarrar

Sunday, March 9111:50am 17.40H Theatre

#### Government Cheese

Showrunners/Screenwriters: Paul Hunter, Assesba Care

Director: Paul Hunter

World Premiere | United States | 2025 | 72 MIN

Government Cheese is a seemingly surrealist family comedy set in 1969 San Fernando Valley that tells the story of the Chambers, a quirky family pursuing lofty and impossible dreams, beautifully unfettered by the realities of the world.

Cast: David Oyelowo, Simone Missick, Jahi Oi'Allo Winston, Evan Ellison, Bokeem Woodbine Sunday, March 9 | 2:45pm | ZACH Theatre

#### Нарру Гасе

Showrunner/Screenwriter: Jennifer Cacicio Director: Michael Showalter

World Premiere | United States | 2025 | 57 MIN

Face tells the story of Melissa Reed, daughter of Keith Jesperson, aka the Happy Face Killer.

Cast: Annaleigh Ashford, Dennis Quaid, James Wolk, Tamera Tomakili, Khiyla Aynne, Benjamin Mackey

Monday, March 10 | 2:30pm | Alamo Lamar 5 & 6

#### Spy High

World Premiere | United States | 2025 | 149 MIN

that echo in the war over digital privacy in schools today.

Sunday, March 9 | 3:COpm | Alamo Lamar 3 & 4

#### The Studio

World Premiere | United States | 2025 | 69 MIN

The Studio, starring Seth Rogen, who Wednesday, March 26, 2025.

Cast: Seth Rogen, Catherine O'Hara, Ike Barinholtz, Chase Sui Wonders, Kathryn Hahn

# The Yogurt Shop

World Premiere | United States | 2025 | 50 MIN

murdered at a frozen yogurt shop in Austin. What happened that night continues to mystify the police, the families, and the city. This series explores the complex questions and trauma left by the unsolved case.

### **NARRATIVE FEATURE** COMPETITION

#### presented by Kickstarter

#### Bunny

Director: Ben Jacobson Screenwriters: Mo Stark, Ben Jacobson, Stefan Marolachakis World Premiere | United States | 2025 | 87 MIN

Two best friends rally the neighbors in their tenement building to help them hide a dead body over the best/worst night of their lives.

Cast: Mo Stark, Ben Jacobson, Liza Colby, Tony Drazan, Linda Rong Mei Chen, Genavieve Hudson-Price, Liz Caribel Sierna, Ajay Naidu, Richard Price, Henry Czerny

Saturday, March 8 | 2:45pm | Alamo Lamar 5 & 6 Monday, March 10 | 12:00pm | Alamo Lamar 3 & 4 Thursday, March 13 | 6:00pm | Violet Crown Ginema 2 & 4

#### Fantasy Life

Director/Screenwriter: Matthew Shear World Premiere | United States | 2025 | 91 MIN

After getting laid off, a thirtysomething paralegal in New York starts babysitting his psychiatrist's three granddaughters and falls for their mother, an actress in a rocky marriage.

Cast: Amanda Peet, Matthew Shear, Alexandro Nivola, Judd Hirsch, Bob Balaban, Andrea Martin, Zosia Mamet, Jessica Harper, Holland Taylor, Sheng Wang

Saturday, March 8 | 6:00pm | Alamo Lamar 5 & 6 Monday, March 10 | 2:30pm | Rollins Theatre at The Friday, March 14 | 11:00am | Alamo Lamar 9

#### **Fucktoys**

Director/Screenwriter: Annapurna Sriram World Premiere | United States | 2025 | 106 MIN

Join AP on a bubblegum grindhouse adventure through sunny and romantic Trashtown, USA. In this raucous odyssey a wanton minx quests hard

across a dreamy landscape

of smut, filth and psychics,

hustling to lift a curse that has been f\*cking her sh\*t up Cast: Annapurna Sriram, Sadie Scott, Francois Arnaud, Damian Young, Big Freedia, Brandon Flynn, Lorrie Odom, Jowin Batoon, Tamika Lawrence, Arianna Ortiz

Sunday, March 9 | 915pm | Alamo Lamar 5 & 6 Tuesday, March 11 | 9:15pm | Alamo Lamar 9 Saturday, March 15 | 6:00pm | Alamo Lamar 8



#### It Ends

Director/Screenwriter: Alexander Ullom

World Premiere | United States | 2025 | 87 MIN

Four friends' post-college plans are derailed when a wrong turn traps them on a never-ending backroad.

Cast: Phinehas Yoon, Akina Jackson, Noah Toth, Mitchell Cole

Friday, March 7 | 8:30pm | Alamo Lamar 5 & 6 Tuesday, March 11 | 12:00pm | Alamo Larrar 3 & 4 Friday, March 14 | 9:15pm | Alamo Lamar 9

My Uncle Jens Director/Screenwriter: Brws

Vahabpour World Premiere | Norway | 2025 | 98 Min

Kurdish, Nerwegian with English Subtitios A young literature teacher lives a peaceful life in Oslo until his estranged uncle from the Iranian part of Kurdistan

unexpectedly arrives for a visit. Cast: Peiman Azizpour, Hamza Agoshi, Sarah Francesca Brænne, Magnus Lysbakken, Theresa Frostad Eggesbe, Emir Hakki, Marko Lazie, Mohamed Chakin

Monday, March 10 | 3:30pm | Alamo Lamar 3 & 4 Tuesday, March 11 | 5:45pm | Alamo Lamar 9 Friday, March 14 | 5:30pm | AFS Cinema

#### Outerlands

Director/Screenwriter: Elena Oxman World Premiere | United States | 2025

When Cass (they/them) is asked by an alluring woman to watch her 11-year-old daughter while she goes out of town. Cass is forced to confront the truth of their own tumultuous childhood.

Cast: Asia Kate Dillon, Louisa Krause, Ridley Asha Bateman, Lea DeLaria, Daniel K. Isaac, Melinda Meeng, Allie Heng, Winter Dewitt, Safia Fredericks, Sedrick Cabrera Monday, March 10 | 5:30pm | Alamo Lamar 5 & 6

Wednesday, March 12 | 3:15pm | Alamo Lamar 5 & 6

Thursday, March 13 | 6:30pm | Alamo Lamar 3 & 4

Screenwriters: Yana Alliata, Amy

World Premiere | United States | 2025

friends and family at a birthday missing memory of when his life

Cast: Ryan Wuestewald, Hans Christopher, Nikki DeParis, Fabrizio Alliata, Makena Miller, Nyah Juliano, Michael Carter

Friday, March 7 | 9:45pm | Alamo Lamar 5 & 6 Sunday, March 9 | 11:00am | Violet Crown Cinema 2 & 4 Friday, March 14 | 9:45pm | Alamo Lamar 6

English, Mandarin with English Subtitles Desperate to fit in, an insecure Chinese American teenager undergoes experimental trans-

Cast: Shirley Chen, McKenna Grace, Vivian Wu, Maitreyi Ramakrishnan, Amelie Zilber, Fang Du, Elaine Hendrix, Keith Harris

Monday, March 10 | 2:15pm | Alamo Lamar 1 & 8 Wednesday, March 12 | 2:30pm | Violet Crown Cinema 1 & 3

Reeling Director: Yana Alliata

After a life altering accident, Ryan struggles to fit in with old luau but the celebration boils over when he uncovers the took a tragic turn.

#### Slanted

Director/Screenwriter: Amy Wang World Premiere | United States | 2025 | 102 MIN

racial surgery to become White in order to secure her chances of winning Prom Queen and the acceptance of her peers.

Saturday, March S | 11:30am | ZACH Theatre

Inspired by a true-life story, Happy

Director: Jody McVeigh-Schultz

English, Spanish; Castilian with English Subtitles When 15-year-old Blake Robbins was accused of selling drugs, he filed a lawsuit alleging that his prestigious high school was spying on him. This fed a wild scandal with revelations

Showrunners/Screenwriters/Directors: Seth Rogen, Evan Goldberg

also serves as writer, director and executive producer alongside Emmy Award-nominee Evan Goldberg, makes its global debut on Apple TV+ with the first two episodes on

# Friday, March 7 | 915pm | Paramount Theatre

Murders Director: Margaret Brown

In 1991, 4 teenage girls were brutally

Monday, March 10 | 12:00pm | ZACH Theatre

### NARRATIVE **SPOTLIGHT**

#### American Sweatshop

Director: Uta Briesewitz

Screenwriter: Matthew Nemeth World Premiere | Germany | 2025 | 100 MIN

Daisy, a young woman who works what has been called "the worst job in the world" - purging overtly hateful, sexual and violent content from social media - and ends up fundamentally changed by her encounters with the darkest corners of the internet.

Cast: Lili Reinhart, Daniela Melchior, Jeremy Ang Jones, Josh Whitehouse, Tim Plester, Christiane Paul, Joel Fry

Saturday, March S | 9:30pm | ZACH Theatre Monday, March 10 | 6:15pm | Alamo Lamar 2 & 7 Thursday, March 13 | 2:15pm | SXSW Film & TV Theater @ The Hyutt Regency

#### The Astronaut

Director/Screenwriter: Jess Varley World Premiere | United States | 2025 | 90 MIN

An astronaut believes something extraterrestrial has followed her back to Earth.

Cast: Kate Mara, Laurence Fishburne, Gabriel Luna, Ivana Milicevic, Macy Gray Friday, March 7 | 6:30pm | ZACH Theatre Tuesday, March 11 | 9.39Pm | SXSW Film & TV Theater @ The Hyatt Regency Thursday, March 13 | 3:00pm | Alome Lamar 3 & 4

#### The Baltimorons

Director: Jay Duplass Screenwriters: Jay Duplass, Michael Strassner

World Premiere | United States | 2025 | 99 MIN

After cracking a tooth on Christmas Eve, newly sober Cliff embarks on an adventure through Baltimore with Didi, his emergency dentist.

Cast: Michael Strassner, Liz Larsen, Olivia Luccardi

Saturday, March 8 | 11:15am | Alamo Lamar 5 & 6 Monday, March 10 | 10:45am | Alamo Lamar 1 & 8 Saturday, March 15 | 2:00pm | Alamo Lamar 9

#### Caper

Director/Screenwriter: Dean Imperial World Premiere | United States | 2025 | 88 MIN

When a sext to the wrong number sends a group of clueless men into a panic, they recklessly dive into an all-night journey through NYC to save their friend, revealing their own misguided and toxic views on women along the way.

Cast: Christopher Tramantana, Asa James, Celester Rich, Richard Cooper, Sam Gilroy, Ron Palais, Anne Klaus, Frank Sallo, Caroline Angelica Winkler, Walter Masterson

Friday, March 7 | 10:15pm | Alamo Lamar 2 & 7 Sunday, March 9 | 3:15pm | Alamo Lamar 2 & 7 Friday, March 14 | 2:45pm | Alamo Lamar B

#### Clown in a Cornfield

Director: Eli Craig Screenwriters: Carter Blanchard, Adam Cesare, Eli Craig

World Premiere | United States | 2025 | 98 MIN

A fading midwestern town in which Frendo the clown, a symbol of bygone success, reemerges as a terrifying scourge.

Cast: Katie Douglas, Will Sasso, Cassandra Potenza, Aaron Abrams, Carson MacCormac, Verity Marka, Dylan McEwan, Daina Laitold, Vincent Muller, Kaitlyn Bacon

Monday, March 10 | 6:15pm | Paramount Theatre Wednesday, March 12 | 2:30pm | SXSW Film & TV Theater @ The Hyatt Regency

#### Cotton Candy Bubble Gum

Director/Screenwriter: J Pinder World Premiere | United States | 2025 | 88 MIN

After his mom gets engaged to a vindictive cop, Carter, a 21-year-old mama's boy still living at home, must secure a paid promotion at his internship by the end of the day or find a new place to live in this modern coming-ofage comedy.

Kimberly Stallworth, Boondock

Tuesday, March tt | 6:30pm | Alama Lamar 5 & 6 Wednesday, March 12 | 11:00am | Alamo Lamar 3 & 4 Friday, March 14 | 2:90pm | Alamo Lamar 9



#### The Dutchman

Director: Andre Gaines Screenwriters: Andre Gaines, Qasim Basic

World Premiere | United States | 2025 | 88 MIN

A successful black businessman. haunted by his crumbling marriage and identity crisis, is drawn into a psychological game of cat and mouse with a mysterious white woman he encounters on a New York subway.

Cast: André Holland, Kate Mara, Zazie Beetz, Stephen McKinley Henderson, Aldis Hodge, Lauren E. Banka

Saturday, March S | 15:00am | Paramount Theatre Tuesday, March 11 | 9:30pm | Alamo Lamar 2 & 7 Friday, March 14 | 9:15pm | AFS Cinema

#### For Worse

Director/Screenwriter: Amy Landecker World Premiere | United States | 2025 | 90 MIN

Fresh off a messy divorce, a 50 year old sober mom tries to rebuild her life and stumbles into a new beginning after finding herself at a Gen Z wedding behaving like a drunk 25 year old bridesmaid.

Cast: Amy Landecker, Bradley Whitford, Nico Hiraga, Gaby Hoffmann, Ken Marino, Missi Pyle, Kiersey Clemone, Claudia Sulawaki, Simon Helberg, Liv Hewson

Monday, March 10 | 2:45pm | ZACH Theatre Wednesday, March 12 | 6:00pm | SXSW Film & TV Theater @ The Hyatt Regency Saturday, March 15 | 6:15pm | Alamo Lamar 6

Director/Screenwriter: Jing Ai Ng World Premiere | United States | 2025 | 114 Min

Cantonose, English, Spanish; Castilian with English Subtitios

In Miami, siblings Raymond and Coco Zhang's art forgery ring flourishes when they encounter a disgraced millionaire in need of their expertise. Meanwhile, FBI Art Crimes agent Emily Lee moves to Miami to investigate a series of mysterious paintings.

Cast: Kelly Marie Tran, Andie Ju, Brandon Soo Hoo, Edmund Donovan, Eva De Dominici, T. R. Knight, Jack Falahee, Sonya Walaze Walger

Sunday, March 9 | 11:30am | Alame Lamar 3 & 4 Monday, March 10 | 9:15cm | Alamo Lomar L& B Wednesday, March 12 | 2:30pm | Alamo Lamar 9

#### I Really Love Mv Husband

Director/Screenwriter: GG Hawkins World Premiere | United States | 2025 | 79 MIN

When a woman grows disillusioned with her golden-boy husband during their tropical honeymoon, she recruits an enigmatic expat to spice things up-for better or

Cast: Madison Lanescy, Travis Quentin Young, Arta Gee, Lisa Jacqueline Starrett, Elizabeth de Robbins, Armodio Sophia, Meggan Taylor, Mitch Bisschop, Amberlin Morse

Friday, March 7 | 7:00pm | Alamo Lamar 2 & 7 Monday, March 10 | 11:00am | Alamo Lamar 5 & 6 Thursday, March 13 | 12:00pm | Alamo Lamar 3 & 4

#### ldiotka

Director/Screenwriter: Nastasya Popov World Premiere | United States | 2025 | 82 MIN

English, Russian with English Subtitios

In West Hollywood's Russian immigrant district, Margarita lives out the American Dream: competing on a reality show. Will she slay, serve, or survive?

Cast: Anna Baryshnikov, Camila Mendes, Julia Fox, Benito Skinner, Saweetle, Owen Thiele, Calina Jovovich, Mark Ivanir, Nerses Stamos, Ilia Volck

Wednesday, March 12 | 2:30pm | ZAOH Theatre

#### Lifehack

Director: Ronan Corrigan Screenwriters: Ronan Corrigan, Hope Elliott Komp

World Premiere | United Kingdom | 2025 | 96 MIN

Four teenage slackers attempt a multi-million-dollar Bitcoin heist from their bedrooms, only to spiral into the darkest corners of the internet-and a danger beyond their computer screens.

Cast: Georgie Farmer, Yasmin Finney, Roman Hayeck-Green, James Scholz, Jessica Reynolds, Charlie Creed-Miles

Saturday, March 8 | 6:30pm | Alamo Lamar 2 & 7 Monday, March 10 | 3:00 pm | Alamo Lamor 9 Wednesday, March 12 | 6:00 pm | Alamo Lamar 2 & 7

#### Magic Hour

Director: Katie Aselton Screenwriters: Mark Duplass, Katie

World Premiere | United States | 2025 | 89 MIN

Erin and Charlie escape to the desert to navigate an unexpected and challenging new phase of their relationship.

Cast: Daveed Diggs, Katie Aselton, Brad Garrett, Susan Sullivan

Friday, March 7 | 3:15pm | Rollins Theatre at The Long Center

Tuesday, March 11 | 7:00pm | Alamo Lamar 3 & 4

#### Mermaid

Director/Screenwriter: Tyler Cornack World Premiere | United States | 2025 | 105 MIN

A Percocet-addicted 'Florida Man' finds a wounded mermaid at his lowest point. Fascination becomes a drug infused, one sided relationship - sending him further into decline. When word spreads about his secret, he'll stop at nothing to protect her.

Cast: Johnny Pemberton, Avery Potemri, Kevin Nealon, Kirk Fox, Tom Arnold, Robert Patrick, Kevin Dunn, Devyn McDowell, Tyler Rice, Julia Valentine Larson

Saturday, Murch 8 | 2:45pm | SXSW Film & TV Theater @ The Hyatt Regency Tuesday, March 11 | 11: Sem | Alamo Lamer 5 & 6 Thursday, March 13 | 2:45pm | ZACH Theatro

#### O'Dessa

Director/Screenwriter: Geremy Jasper World Premiere | United States | 2025 | 106 MIN

Set in a post-apocalyptic future, O'Dessa is a rock opera about a farm girl on a quest to recover a family heirloom. Her journey leads her to a dangerous city, where she must use the power of destiny and song to save her true love's soul.

Cast: Sadie Sink, Kelvin Harrison Jr., Murray Bartlett, Regina Hall, Pokey LaFange

Saturday, March 8 | 2:15pm | Paramount Theatre Wednesday, March 12 | ThODam | ZACH Theatre

#### One More Shot

Director: Nicholas Clifford Screenwriters: Alice Foulcher, Gregory Erdstein World Premiere | Australia | 2025 | 88 MIN

New Years Eve. 1999. Minnie discovers a bottle of time travelling tequila. Each shot takes her back to the start of the night giving her a bottle's worth of shots to win back her old flame Joe, and change the course of her millennium.

Cast: Emily Browning, Ashley Zukerman, Aisha Dee, Sean Keenan, Pallavi Sharda

Friday, March 7 | 3:00pm | Violet Crown Cinema 1& 3 Friday, March 71 3:00pm | Violet Crown Oinema 2 & 4 Wednesday, March 12 | 10:00pm | Violet Crown

Wednesday, March 12 | 10:00pm | Violet Crown Cinoma 2 & 4

#### \$POSITIONS

Director/Screenwriter: Brandon Daley World Premiere | United States | 2025 | 97 MIN

Blue-collar Midwesterner Mike Alvarado attempts to save his family from the throes of poverty by investing their savings into speculative cryptocurrencies. A twitchy, hyper-contemporary comedy with equal doses of laughs and panic attacks.

Cast: Mike Kunicki, Vinny Kress, Trevor Dawkins, Kaylyn Carter

Saturday, March 8110:00pm | Alamo Lamar 2 & 7 Monday, March 10 | 11:15sm | Alamo Lamar 2 & 7 Friday, March 14 | 5:45pm | Alamo Lamar 9



#### The Rivals of Amziah King

Director: Andrew Patterson Screenwriter: James Montague World Premiere | United States | 2025 | 130 MIN

Charismatic local beekeeper Amziah King oversees a beloved honey operation in the American southwest. When his foster daughter unexpectedly returns,

Amziah sets out to bring her into the family. Cast: Matthew McConaughey, Angelina LookingGlass, Kurt Russell, Jake Horowitz, Scott Shepherd, Rob Morgan, Tony Revolori, Owen Teague, Bruce Davis, Cole

Monday, March 10 | 9:30pm | Paramount Theatre

Sprouse

#### Satisfaction

Director/Screenwriter: Alex Burunova World Premiere | United States, Greece, Italy, Ukraina | 2025 | 96 MIN

Set against the Greek isles, British composers Lola and Philip's relationship lingers in silence as she struggles to reclaim her voice. When she meets magnetic Elena and brings her into the fold, tensions rise, forcing Lola to confront her dark

Cast: Emma Laird, Fionn Whitehead, Zar Amir. Adwos Abosh

Friday, March 7 | 3:00pm | Alamo Lamar 5 & 6 Tuesday, March 11 | 5:45pm | Violet Crown Cinema 1 & 3 Saturday, March 15 | 11:30am | Alamo Lamar 6

#### She's The He

Director/Screenwriter: Siobhan McCarthy

World Premiere | United States | 2025 | 81 MIN

Just before graduation, Alex and Ethan pretend to be trans women to get into the girl's lockers. It's all a joke until Ethan realizes; she really is trans. Alex and Ethan must reckon with their changing friendship and the process of coming out.

Cast: Misha Osherovich, Nico Carney, Suzanne Cryer, Mark Indelicato, Malia Pylea, Emmett Preciado, Tatiana Ringaby, Aparna Nancherla, Kyle Butenhoff, Emma Orr

Sunday, March 9 | 10:45am | Alumo Lamar I & S Tuesday, March 11 | 6:45pm | Violet Orown Oinema 2 & 4

Wednesday, March I2 | 6:30pm | Alamo Lamar I & 8

#### Summer of 69

Director: Jillian Bell Screenwriters: Jillian Bell, Liz Nice, Jules

World Premiere | United States | 2025 | 100 MIN

An awkward high school senior hires an exotic dancer to help seduce her longtime crush before graduation, leading to unexpected friendship and lessons in selfconfidence, acceptance, and adulthood.

Cast: Chloe Fineman, Sam Morelos, Matt Cornett, Nicole Byer, Liza Koshy, Natalie Morales, Alex Moffat, Fernando Carsa, Paula Pell, Charlie Day

Thursday March 19 | 3:30 nm | Paramount Theatre Friday, March 14 | 9:15pm | SXSW Film & TV Theater @ The Hyatt Regency

#### Surviving Earth

Director/Screenwriter: Thea Gajić World Premiere | United Kingdom | 2025 | 100 MIN

#### English, Serbian with English Subtitles

Having fled the Yugoslav war and settled in the UK, Vlad strives for success with his Balkan band, whilst trying to reconnect with his only daughter.

Cast: Slavko Sobin, Olive Gray, Stuart Martin, Peter Coonan, Toni Gojanović, Ann Ogbomo

Saturday, March S | 3:00pm | Alamo Lamar 2 & 7 Tuesday, March 11 | 3:15pm | Violet Crown Cinema 2 & 4 Thursday, March 13 | 5:45pm | Violet Crown Cinema 2 & 4 Thursday, March 13 | 5:45pm | Violet Crown Cinema 1 & 3

#### Sweetness

Director/Screenwriter: Emma Higgins World Premiere | Canada | 2025 | 93 MIN

When a chance encounter with her rockstar crush leads 16 year old Rylee to discover that he's a dysfunctional drug addict, she takes it upon herself to help him, ultimately forcing her teenage fantasies into reality.

Cast: Kate Hallett, Herman Tømmeraas Aya Furukawa, Justin Chatwin, Amanda Brugel, Steven Ogg, Julius Cho

Friday, March 7 | 9:30pm | Alamo Lamar 9 Sunday, March 9110:45pm | Alamo Lamar 2 & 7 Friday, March 14 | 3:00pm | Alams Lamar 6

#### The Threesome

Director: Chad Hartigan Screenwriter: Ethan Ogilby World Premiere | United States | 2025 |

A young man's crush leads him into an unexpected threesome... What's the worst that could happen?

Cast: Zoey Deutch, Jonah Hauer-King, Ruby Cruz, Jaboukie Young-White, Josh Segarra, Robert Longstreet, Arden Myrin, Kristin Slaysman, Allan McLeod, Julia

Friday, March TI 3:00om I ZACH Theatre Monday, March 10 | 7:00pm | Alamo Lamar 3 & 4 Tuesday, March 11 | 11:30am | Violet Grown Cinema

#### Trash Baby

Director/Screenwriter: Jacy Mairs World Premiere | United States | 2025 | 100 MIN

Stevie is stuck at home for yet another sweltering summer in Pine Park. She soon crosses paths with wild not-so-child, Edie, and finds herself grappling with the natural desire to grow up and the reality of what we lose when

Cast: Esther Harrison, Chloe Kramer, Eddie Lee Wollrabe, Brianna Paige Dague, Andre Wollrabe, Makenna DeCaro, Serenity Hibbard, Dominic Hendrikz, Nick Sutton, Elijah Carnazzo

Friday, March 7 | 2:30pm | Alamo Lamar 9 Wednesday, March 12 | 10:15pm | Alamo Lamar 5 & €

#### The True Beauty of Being Bitten by a Tick

Director: Pete Ohs Screenwriters: Callie Hernandez, Zoë Chao, James Cusati-Moyer, Jeremy O. Harris, Pete Ohs

World Premiere | United States | 2025 | 80 MIN A woman in crisis seeks refuge in her friend's idyllic countryside home only to suffer strange side

effects from a mysterious tick bite Cast: Zoë Chao, Callie Hernandez, James Cusati-Moyer, Jeremy O. Harris

Friday, March 7 | 7:15pm | Alamo Lamar 3 & 4 Tuesday, March 11 | 11:00am | Alamo Lamar 9 Saturday, Murch 15 | 5:30pm | Alamo Lamar 9

#### We Bury The Dead

Director/Screenwriter: Zak Hilditch World Premiere | Australia | 2025 | 94 MIN

In the aftermath of a catastrophic military experiment, a desperate woman joins a body retrieval unit" in the hope of finding her husband alive, but her search takes a chilling turn when the corpses start showing signs

Cast: Daisy Ridley, Brenton Thwaites, Mark Coles Smith, Matt Whelan

Sunday, March 9 | 6:00pm | ZACH Theatre Wednesday, March 12 [9:30pm | SXSW Film & TV Theater @ The Hyatt Regency Thursday, March 13 | It:O0am | SXSW Film & TV Theater @ The Hyatt Regency



### DOCUMENTARY **SPOTLIGHT**

#### The Age of Disclosure

Director: Dan Farah

World Premiere | United States | 2025 | 109 MIN

An unprecedented doc -featuring 34 senior members of the U.S. Government, military, and intelligence communityrevealing a cover-up of the existence of non-human intelligent life and a secret war to reverse engineer technology of non-human origin.

Featuring: Lue Elizondo, Jay Stratton, Marco Rubio, Senator Rounda, Senator Gillibrand, General Jim Clapper, Dr. Eric Davis, Dr. Hal Puthoff, Christopher Mellon, Representative Carson

Sunday Marsh 9 | 2-90nm | Paramount Theatre Tuesday, March 11 | 6:00pm | Paramount Theatre

#### American Sons

Director: Andrew James Gonzales

Screenwriters: Andrew James Gonzales, Laura Varela World Premiere | United States | 2025 | 59 MIN

Haunted by a deadly deployment, a Brotherhood of Marines reunites to heal.

Saturday, March 8 | 5:45pm | AFS Oinema Monday, March 10 | 9:15pm | SXSWFilm & TV Theater & The Hyatt

#### Are We Good?

Director: Steven Feinartz

World Premiere | United States | 2025 | 96 MIN

An intimate portrait of comedian and podcast pioneer Marc Maron, following the sudden loss of his partner and filmmaker Lynn Shelton. Maron struggles with grief, disillusionment, and a shifting comedy landscape.

Featuring: Marc Maron

Tueeday, March 11 | 9:00pm | ZACH Theatre Thursday, March 13 | 6:30pm | AFS Cinema

#### ASCO: Without Permission

Director/Screenwriter: Travis Gutiérrez Senger World Premiere | United States | 2025 | 90 MIN

ASCO: Without Permission profiles the extraordinary, LA based, Chicano art group ASCO, and through a genredefying approach, reimagines what is possible today in art and cinema while celebrating an iconoclastic group that was far ahead of its time.

Featuring: Harry Gamboa Jr., Patasi Valdez, Gronk, Willie Herrén, Zoe Saldaña, Michael Peña, Maria Maea, San Cha, Ruben Ulisea Rodriguez Montoya

Monday, March 10 | 6:00pm | SXSW Film & TV Theater @ The

Wednesday, March 12 | 2:45pm | Alamo Lamar 2 & 7 Thursday, March 13 | 1:45am | Alamo Lamar 2 & 7

#### Creede U.S.A.

Director: Kahane Corn Cooperman World Premiere | United States | 2025 | 94 MIN

Welcome to Creede - a remote mining town with no stop light, a theater company and 300+ folks at 9,000 feet.

This unlikely setting - with its miners, ranchers and theater people - offers an unexpected lens on divisions felt by Americans everywhere.

Sunday, March 9 | 9:00pm | SXSW Film & TV Theater @ The Hyatt Regency

Monday, March 10 | 5:00 pm | AFS Cinema Thursday, March 13 | 9:30pm | Violet Crown Cinema 2 & 4

#### Dear Tomorrow

Director/Screenwriter: Kaspar Astrup Schröder World Fremiere | Denmark, Japan, Sweden | 2025

#### Japanese with English Subtitles

In Japan, where loneliness has become a national crisis, the film follows three individuals battling isolation. Through a volunteer chat service, compassionate connections, and government initiatives, they find hope and paths to reclaim their

Saturday, March 8 | 15:00am | Alamo Lamar 1 & 8 Sunday, March 9 | 8:30pm | Violet Crown Chemz 1 & 3 Thursday, March 13 | 11:00am | Alame Lamar 5 & 6

#### Deeper

Director: Jennifer Peedom World Premiere | Australia | 2025 | 87 MIN

Having achieved worldwide acclaim for his crucial role in the nail-biting rescue of a Thai soccer team Richard Harris embarks on a perilous new cave diving expedition that will push the limits of adventure and force him to confront his deepest fears.

Saturday, March S | 5:30pm | Alamo Lamar | 6.8 Monday, March 10 | 9:45pm | Violet Crown Olnema 2 & 4 Thursday, March 13 | 2:15pm | Alamo Lamar 1 & 8

#### Deepfaking Sam Altman

Director: Adam Bhala Lough

World Premiere | United States | 2025 | 93 MIN

Hartbeat partners with Vox and Telemarketers' Adam Bhala Lough for a comedic documentary about Al. Follow Adam as he seeks answers about the buzzy new tech and explores of what it means to be human in an increasingly Al generated world.

Saturday, March 8 | 9:30pm | SISW Film & TV Theater @ The Hyatt Regency Sunday, March 9 | 11:15am | AFS Cinema

Wednesday, March 12 | 11:30am | Alamo Lamar 1 & 8

#### Flight 149: Hostage Of War

Director: Jenny Ash

World Premiere | United Kingdom | 2025 | 90 MIN

Arabic, English with English Subtitle

When Flight 149 landed in the middle of a warzone, the passengers and crew became human shields for Saddam Hussein. Thirty years later, the hostages are launching a legal case to discover the truth about why the plane landed in the first place.

Monday, March 10 | 6:00pm | Alamo Lamor 1 & 8 Wednesday, March 12 | 2:15pm | Alamo Lamar 3 & 4 Saturday, March 15 | 3:30 pm | AFS Cinema

#### I'm Carl Lewis!

Directors: Julie Anderson, Chris Hay Screenwriter: Chris Hay

World Premiere | United Kingdom | 2025 | 97 MIN

The uncompromising and extraordinary life of legendary athlete Carl Lewis, a ninetime Olympic Gold Medallist and voted 'Sportsman of the Century', who fought to revolutionize his sport and inspire change on and off the field.

Featuring: Carl Lewis, Lercy Burrell, Zina Garrison, Brud Hunt, Phil Knight, Cleve Lewis, Carol Lewis, Mike Powell, Tom Tellez, Narada Michael Walden

Friday, March 7 | 3:00pm | SXSW Film & TV Theater @ The Hyatt

Sunday, March 9 | 12:00pm | Alamo Lamar 2 & 7 Wednesday, March 12 | 6:00pm | Rollins Theatre at The Long

#### Luv Ya, Bum!

Directors: Sam Wainwright Douglas, David

Screenwriter: Andrew Miller

World Premiere | United States | 2025 | 86 MIN

In the Seventies, the hapless Houston Oilers threw a Hail Mary and hired Bum Phillips, a 'larger than life' head coach who ended up revolutionizing professional football with his unconventional style, innovative defenses and cowboy swagger!

Featuring: Wade Phillips, Wes Phillips, Terry Bradshaw, J.J. Watt, Psyton Manning, Jerry Jones, Sean McVay, Archie Manning, Earl Campbell, Dan Pastorini, Von Miller, Gary Kubak, Jim Nantz

Thursday, March 13 | 12:S0pm | Paramount Theatre

#### Make It Look Real

Director/Screenwriter: Kate Blackmore

International Premiere | Australia | 2025 | 77 MIN

Intimacy coordinator Claire Warden guides actors through sex scenes for a new film Tightrope, negotiating the vision of a director, the physical and psychological needs of the actors, and a documentary crew filming her every move.

Saturday, March S | 5:45pm | Wolet Crown Cinema 1& 3 Tuesday, March 11 | 2:15pm | Alamo Lamar 1& 8 Thursday, March 13 | 11:00sm | Violet Crown Ginema 1& 3

#### Mola: A Tibetan Tale of Love and Loss

Directors/Screenwriters:

Yangzom Brauen, Martin Brauen North American Premiere | United States, Switzerland | 2025 | 84 MIN

Tibotan, English, German with English Subtitles Mola, a 100-year-old nun, wants to return to her homeland. Tibet, to die.

The fulfillment of her dream takes an unexpected turn.

Saturday, March 8 | 2:30pm | Violet Crown Cinema 1& 3 Monday, March 10 | 6:30pm | Alamo Lamar 9 Tuesday, March 11 | 2:30pm | Violet Orown Ginema 1 & 3

#### Now! More! Yes!

Director: Max Hey

World Premiere | United States | 2025 | 75 MIN

A legally blind used car salesman wakes up to realize that he drunkenly purchased an ambulance without keys using his boss's money.

Saturday, March 8 | 2:00pm | Alamo Lamar 9 Tuesday, March 11 | 10:00 pm | Violet Crown Gnoma 2 & 4 Thursday, March 13 | 6:00pm | Alamo Lamar 18,8

#### Other Side

Directors: Heather Hogan, Carter Oakley World Premiere | United States | 2025 | 90 MIN

Activist Lynda Bluestein contemplates how to legally end her life - her landmark lawsuit made Medical Aid in Dying in Vermont accessible to anyone in the United States, This is an intimate portrait of finding a way to die peacefully in the U.S.

Friday, March 7 | 10:00pm | Alame Lamer 1 & 8 nday, Marsh 9 | 8:45pm | Alama Lamar 1 & 8 Friday, March 14 | 1545am | Alamo Lamar 6

#### Seen & Heard

Directors: Giselle Bailey, Phil Bertelsen World Premiere | United States | 2025 | 92 MIN

From executive producer Issa Rae, Seen & Heard is a two-part documentary that travels through time, creating a kaleidoscopic portrait of Black talent being "seen." to Black creatives being "heard," shaping today's Golden Age of Black television.

Featuring: Issa Raa, Oprah Winfrey, Tyler Perry, Shonda Rhimes, Ava DuVernay, Lena Waithe, Cord Jefferson, Tracee Ellis Ross, Swizz Beatz, Norman Lear

Saturday, March 8 | 6:15pm | SXSW Film & TV Theater @ The Tuesday, March 11 | 2:30pm | ZACH Theatre



#### Snow Leopard Sisters

Directors: Sonam Choekyi Lama, Ben Ayers, Andrew Lynch

World Premiere | United Kingdom | 2025 | 93 MIN

Nepali with English Subtitles

In Nepal's remote Dolpo region, two Indigenous women form an unlikely friendship to save one of the planet's most mysterious and vulnerable wild cats: the snow leopard.

Saturday, March S | 2:15pm | Alamo Lamar I & S Monday, March 10 | TEO Com | Violet Crown Cinema 1 & 3 Wednesday, March 12 | 9:15pm | Alamo Lamar 3 & 4

#### Spreadsheet Champions

Director: Kristina Kraskov

World Premiere | Australia | 2025 | 86 MIN English, French, Greek, Spanish; Castilian with English S

Students from around the world give it their all in the greatest competition you've never heard of, the Spreadsheet World Championships.

Saturday March S | RSOnm | Alama | amar 9 Sunday, March 9 | 9:30pm | AFS Cinema Wednesday, March 12 | 9:30pm | Rollins Theatre at The Long

#### Starman

Director/Screenwriter: Robert Stone World Premiere | United States | 2025 | 85 MIN

Legendary NASA robotics engineer and best-selling science fiction author, Gentry Lee, has spent a lifetime seeking an answer to the ultimate cosmic question: Are we alone in the universe? At age 82 he has come to a revelatory conclusion.

Featuring: Gentry Lee

Saturday Moreh SI 5:00nm | Alamo | omar 9 Sunday, March 9 | 2:45pm | AFS Oinema. Saturday, March 15 | 2-45pm | Alamo Lamor 8

#### Strange Journey: The Story of Rocky Horror

Director: Linus O'Brien Screenwriter: Avner Shileah

World Premiere | United States | 2025 | 89 MIN

A wild journey into the origins of The Rocky Horror Picture Show, the biggest cult film of all time, its impact on popular culture and socio-political resonance to

Featuring: Richard O'Bries, Tim Curry, Lou Adler, Susan Sarandon, Barry Bostwick, Richard Hartley,

Sunday, March 9 | 11:00am | Paramount Theatre Thursday, March 13 | 6:15pm | ZACH Theatre

#### Take No Prisoners

Directors: Adam Ciralsky, Subrata De World Premiere | United States | 2025 | 99 MIN

English, Spanish: Castilian with English Subtitles Take No Prisoners delves into the secretive, high-stakes world of hostage rescues, following America's top envoy as he races to free a young attorney held as a political pawn by a rogue regime.

Saturday, March SI 11:30am | Alamo Lamar 2 & 7 Sunday, March 9 | 6:00pm | AFS Cinema Thursday, March 13 | 5:45pm | Alamo Lamar 5 & 8

#### The Tallest Dwarf

Director: Julie Forrest Wyman

World Premiere | United States | 2025 | 92 MIN When Julie embarks on a journey to understand her own body and the

rumors of dwarfism in her family, her path collides with a new drug that promises to make little people taller, threatening the community's existence.

Monday, March 10 | 9:00pm | Rollins Theatre at The Long Center Tueeday, March 11 | 6:15pm | Alamo Lamar 2 & 7 Thursday, March 13 | 11:30am | Violet Crown Cinema 2 & 4

#### Uvalde Mom

Director: Anavansi Prado Screenwriters: Anayansi Prado, Pabio Proenza World Premiere | United States | 2025 | 86 MIN

When a school mass shooting rocks a small town in Texas, a mom desperate to save her kids is launched into the public eye. She speaks out against a system that never protected her. The community challenges these powers and exposes those who failed to protect its most vulnerable - children.

Monday, March 10 | 5:45pm | Rollins Theatre at The Long Center Tuesday, March 11 | 5:00pm | AFS Cinema Friday, March 14 | 6:00pm | SXSW Film 8, TV Theater @ The Hyatt



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The Choice - Chapters 2 & 3 Cosmos in Focus

Currents

Face Jumping

Honey Fungus In the Current of Being

The Last Practice

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Shelter Traces: The Grief Processor

Ways of Knowing: A Navajo Nuclear History Sunday, March 9 | 11:00am | Fairment Monday, March 10 | 11:00am | Fairmont

Tuesday, March II | 11:00am | Fairmont

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Uncanny Alley: A New Day Sunday, March 9 | 15:00am | Fairment Monday, March 10 | Th O'Com | Fairmont Tuesday, March #1 | #:00am | Fairmont

## DOCUMENTARY **FEATURE** COMPETITION

#### Arrest the Midwife

Director: Elaine Epstein

World Premiere | United States | 2025 | 82 MIN

The shocking arrest of three midwives in a rural healthcare desert ignites a radical uprising as Amish and Mennonite women break with tradition and become unlikely activists in the war for reproductive rights.

Sundov, March 9 | 215pm | Alama Lamar 5 & 6 Tuesday, March #12-45pm | Alamo Lamar 2 & 7 Thursday, March 13 | 2:45pm | Violet Grown Cinema 2 & 4

#### Assembly

Directors/Screenwriters: Rashaad Newsome, Johnny Symons World Premiere | United States | 2025 | 98 MIN

English, Japanese, Polish, Portuguese with English Subtitle

Visionary artist Rashaad Newsome merges art, Al. and performance to transform a former military facility into a Black queer utopia. Through immersive storytelling and visuals, the film explores how creativity can heal, unite, and spark liberation.

Friday, March T | EdSpm | Rollins Theatre at The Long Center Sunday, March 9 | 0:00pm | Violet Crown Cinema 1 & 3 Friday, March 14 | 11:15am | Alamo Lamar 8

#### Baby Doe

Director: Jessica Earnshaw

World Premiere | United States | 2025 | 100 MIN

At 22, Gail gave birth alone and left her newborn in the woods. Decades later, she's arrested for murder, even though she says the baby was stillborn. Baby Doe explores the fallout when young women cannot accept the reality of an unplanned pregnancy.

Friday, March 7 | 3:45pm | Alamo Lamar 3 & 4 Sunday, March 9 | 5:00pm | Violet Grown Ginema 2 & 4 Thursday, March 18 | 9:30pm | Alame Lamer 1 & 8

#### The Python Hunt

Director: Xander Robin World Premiere | United States | 2025 | 91 MIN

Every year, the Florida government invites the general public to compete in an invasive python removal contest in the Everglades. For ten nights, an eclectic group of hunters confront the dangerous terrain, nocturnal creatures and their own desires.

Saturday, March 8 | 315pm | Alamo Lamar 3 & 4 Tuesday, March 11 | 11:90am | Alamo Lamar 2 & 7 Thursday, March 13 | 5:45pm | SXSW Film & TV Theater @ The Hyatt Regency



# Remaining Native

Director: Paige Bethman

World Premiere | United States | 2025 | 85 MIN

Ku Stevens, a 17-year-old Native American runner, struggles to navigate his dream of becoming a collegiate athlete as the memory of his great grandfather's escape from an Indian boarding school begins to connect past, present, and future.

Friday, March 7 (9:30pm) Rollins Theatre at The Long Center Saturday, March 8 | 11:30am | Violet Grown Ginema 2 & 4 Tuesday, March II | 8:45pm | Alamo Lamar | & B

#### The Secret of Me

Director: Grace Hughes-Hallett World Premiere | United Kingdom | 2025 | 80 MIN

19 year old Kristi discovers a secret her doctor and parents have kept from her all her life. Her search for truth uncovers a radical psychology experiment on a pair of identical twins that led to a global medical scandal.

Sunday, March 9 | 11:00am | Alamo Lamar 5 & 6 Tuesday, March II | 5:30pm | Alamo Lamar 1& B Wednesday, March 12 | 5:30pm | AFS Dinema

#### Shuffle

Director: Benjamin Flaherty

World Premiere | United States | 2025 | 81 MIN

Through the lens of his own recovery, a filmmaker offers an intimate look inside the billion dollar addiction treatment industry where young people are bought & sold for their insurance policies & ushered into a system designed to keep them sick.

Saturday, March 8 | 8:45pm | Alamo Lamar 3 & 4 Tuesday, March 11 | 2:30pm | Alamo Lamar 9 Wednesday, March 12 | 0:15pm | Alamo Lamar 9

#### The Spies Among Us

Directors: Jamie Coughlin Silverman, Gabriel Silverman World Premiere | United States | 2025 | 94 MIN

English, German with English Subtities
Thirrty years after the Cold War ends, a former political prisoner of the East German secret police searches for the truth after learning his brother spied on him for the regime, and discovers the lasting effects of living in a surveillance state.

Saturday, March B | 11:45am | Alamo Lamar 3 & 4 Wednesday, March 12 | 11:15am | Alamo Lamar 2 & 7 Saturday, March 15 | 12 OCpm | AFS Cinema



### **FESTIVAL FAVORITE**

#### 40 Acres

Director: R.T. Thorne

Screenwriters: R.T. Thorne, Glenn Taylor

U.S. Premiere | Canada | 2025 | 113 MIN

Cree, English with English Subtitles Hailey Freeman and her family are the last descendants of African American farmers who settled in Canada after the Civil War. In a faminedecimated near future, they make one last stand against a vicious militia hell-bent on taking their 40

Cast: Danielle Deadwyler, Kataem O'Connor, Michael Greyeyes, Milcania Diaz-Rojas

Monday, March 10 | 9:15pm | ZACH Theatre Thursday, March 13 | Tt 30am | Alamo Lamar 9

#### The Ballad of Wallis Island

Director: James Griffiths

Screenwriters: Tom Basden, Tim Key Texas Premiere | United Kingdom | 2025 | 99 MIN

An eccentric lottery winner lives alone on a remote island and dreams of getting his favorite musicians back together. Fantasy quickly turns into reality when the bandmates and former lovers accept his invitation to play a private show.

Cast: Tom Basden, Tim Key, Sian Clifford, Akemnji Ndifornyen, Carey Mulligan

Saturday, March 8 | 6:15pm | ZACH Theatre Thursday, March 13 | 9:15pm | Alamo Lamar 5 & 6

#### Deaf President Now!

Directors: Nyle DiMarco, Davis Guggenheim Texas Premiere | United States | 2025 | 100 MIN

American Sign Language with English Subtitles

During eight tumultuous days in 1988 at the world's only Deaf university, four students must find a way to lead an angry mob - and change the course of

Tuesday, March 11 | 11:00am | SKSW Film & TV Theater @ The Hyatt Regency Saturday, March 15 | 3:00pm | SXSW Film & TV Theater & The Hyact Regancy

#### Friendship

Director/Screenwriter: Andrew DeYoung U.S. Premiere | United States | 2025 | 100 MIN

Suburban dad Craig has his life turned upside down by the arrival of a new neighbor. As Craig's attempts to make a friend spiral out of control their blossoming relationship threatens to ruin both of their lives.

Cast: Tim Robinson, Paul Rudd, Kate Mara, Jack Dylan Grazer

Sunday, Narch 9 | 5:30pm | Alamo Lamar 5 & 6 Tuesday, Warch 11 | 11:00am | Paramount Theatre

#### The Librarians

Director: Kim A Snyder

Texas Premiere | United States | 2025 | 90 MIN

As an unprecedented wave of book banning is sparked in Texas, Florida, and beyond, librarians under siege join forces as unlikely defenders fighting for intellectual freedom on the front lines of democracy.

Friday, March 71 6:00pm | Alamo Lamar 9 Saturday, March 8 | 11:0Cam | AFS Oinema



#### Marlee Matlin: Not Alone Anymore

Director: Shoshannah Stern

Texas Premiere | United States | 2025 | 96 MIN

American Sign Language with English Subtitles

In 1987, Marlee Matlin became the first Deaf actor to win an Oscar and was thrust into the spotlight at age 21. Reflecting on her life in American Sign Language, Marlee explores the complexities of what it means to be a trailblazer.

Featuring: Marlee Matlin, Troy Kotsur, Henry Winkler, Aaron Sorkin, Lauren Ricloff, John Maucere, Randa Haines, Sian Heder, Shoshannah Stern, Jack Jason

Tuesday, March 11 | 2:30 pm | Paramount Theatre Saturday, March 15 | 11:30am | SXSW Film & TV Theater @ The Hyact Regancy

#### On Swift Horses

Director: Daniel Minahan

Screenwriter: Bryce Kass US Premiere | United States | 2025 | 117 MIN

Muriel and her husband Lee are about to begin a bright new life, which is upended by the arrival of Lee's brother. Muriel embarks on a secret life, gambling on racehorses and discovering a love she never thought possible.

Cast: Daisy Edgar-Jones, Jacob Elordi, Will Poulter, Diego Calva, Sasha Calle

Thursday, March 13 | T:00pm | Paramount Theatre

#### The Perfect Neighbor

Director: Geeta Gandbhir

Texas Premiere | United States | 2025 | 94 MIN

A seemingly minor neighborhood dispute in Florida escalates into deadly violence. Police bodycam footage and investigative interviews expose the consequences of Florida's "stand your ground" laws.

Sunday, March 9 | 1t15am | Alamo Lamar 9 Tuesday, March 11 | 8:3Dom | AFS Cinema Thursday, March 13 | 2:00pm | Violet Orown Oinema 1 & 3

Director: Cristina Costantini

Screenwriters: Cristina Costantini, Tom Maroney Texas Premiere | United States | 2025 | 103 MIN

Sally Ride became the first American woman to blast off into space, but beneath her unflappable composure was a secret. Sally's life partner, Tam O'Shaughnessy, reveals their hidden romance and the sacrifices that accompanied their 27 years together.

Featuring: Billie Jean King, Tam O' Shaughnessy, Kathy Sullivan, Anna Fisher, John Fabian, Steva Hawley, Bear Rick, Joyce Rick, Lynn Sherr

Friday, March 7 | 6:15pm | Alamo Lamar I & B Tuesday, March 11 | 6:30pm | SKSW Film & TV Theater @ The Hyatt Regency

#### The Surfer

Director: Lorcan Finnests Screenwriter: Thomas Martin

North American Premiere | Australia, Ireland | 2025 | 99 MIN

A man returns to the idyllic beach of his childhood to surf with his son, but is humiliated by a group of powerful locals and drawn into a conflict that rises with the punishing heat of the summer and pushes him right to his breaking point.

Cast: Nicolas Cage, Julian McMahon, Nic Cassim, Alexander Bertrand, Justin Rosniak, Finn Little

Monday, March 10 | 6:00pm | ZACH Theatre Wednesday, March 121 6:45pm | Alamo Lamar 5 & 6

#### Together

Director/Screenwriter: Michael Shanks Texas Premiere | Australia | 2025 | 102 MIN

With a move to the countryside already testing the limits of a couple's relationship, a supernatural encounter begins an extreme transformation of their love, their lives, and their flesh.

Cast: Dave Franco, Alison Brie, Damon Herriman

Friday, March 7 | 11.55pm | Paramount Theatre Thursday, March 13 | 9:30pm | ZACH Theatre



#### Touch Me

Director/Screenwriter: Addison Heimann

Texas Premiere | United States | 2025 | 100 MIN

Touch Me is a story about two codependent best friends who become addicted to the heroin-like touch of an alien narcissist who may or may not be trying to take over the world.

Cast: Olivia Taylor Dudley, Lou Taylor Pucci, Jordan Gavaris, Marlene Forte, Paget Brewster, JJ Philips, Yumarie Morales, Ashley Lauren Nedd, Eli Lucas

Friday, March 7 | 3:30pm | Alamo Lamar 2 & 7 Tuesday March 11 | 9:45cm | Alamo Lamar 5 & 6 Thursday, March 13 | 10:30pm | Alamo Lamar 3 & 4

#### Zodiac Killer Project

Director: Charlie Shackleton

Texas Premiere | United States, United Kingdom | 2025 | 91 MIN

Having tried and failed to make a true crime documentary, filmmaker Charlie Shackleton walks the viewer through what could have been.

Saturday, March 8 | 9:00pm | Alamo Lamar 1 & 8 Sunday, March 9 | 3:30pm | Violet Crown Cinema 2 & 4 Tuesday, March 11 | 9:15pm | Violet Crown Oinema 1 & 3

### 24 BEATS PER SECOND

#### 24 Hours of Grace

Director/Screenwriter: Steven Zhu

World Premiere | United States | 2025 | 74 MIN

Follow ZHU's journey as he sets out to reclaim his seat in dance music.

Cast: ZHU, Mitch Bell, Aaron Leibowitz, Vince Fossett, Dante Jones, Rush Davis, Freddy Janney

Saturday, March 15 | 11:00am | Alame Lamar B

#### 42nd Street

Director: Jose Maria Cabral Screenwriters: José María Cabral, Miguel Yarul World Premiere | Dominican Republic | 2025 | 91 MIN

Spanish: Castillan with English Subtitles

A sensory dive into the lives of dancers and artists hungry for fame, clashing with police tactics and unorthodox views. La 42 unveils a defiant counter-culture in the Dominican urban scene-all unfolding on a bold. unrelenting 600-meter 42nd street

Cast: Demetal, Natasha Dancer, Maco Boba, Ricardo La Música

Friday, March 7 | 9:30pm | Violet Orown Cinema 18.3 Sunday, March 9 | 2:00pm | Alamo Lamar 18:8 Thursday, March 13 | 9:15pm | Violet Crown Cinema 18:3



#### **Boxcutter**

Director: Reza Dahya Screenwriter: Chris Cromie

International Premiere | Canada | 2025 | 92 MIN

After his laptop is stolen, an aspiring rapper goes on a quest across the gentrifying streets of Toronto to recover his music in time for the event that could change his life a meeting with a Grammy Award winning producer.

Cast: Ashton James, Zoe Lewis, Viphusan Vani Saturday, March 8 | 10:45am | Alamo Lamar 9 Sunday, March 9 | 9:45pm | Alama Lamar 9 Wednesday, March 12 | 11:30am | Violet Crown Cinema 2 & 4

#### Brother Verses Brother

Director: Ari Gold

Screenwriters: Ari Gold, Ethan Gold, and the Cast World Premiere | United States | 2025 | 91 MIN

A radically personal one-shot musical odyssey about combative twin musicians hunting the streets of San Francisco for their dying poet father.

Cast: Ari Gold, Ethan Gold, Lara Louise, Brian Bell, Herbert Gold, Tongo Eisen-Martin, John Flanigan

Sunday, March 9 | 7:15pm | Alamo Lamar 3 & 4 Monday, March 10 | 2:15pm | Violet Crown Cinema 1 & 3 Wednesday, March 12 | 6:30pm | Violet Orown Cinema 2 & 4



Butthole Surfers: The Hole

Truth and Nothing Butt Director/Screenwriter: Tom J Stern

World Premiere | United States | 2025 | 105 MIN 5 years in the making, this is the definitive documentary about Austin music legends

Cast: Gibby Haynes, Paul Leary, King Coffey, Teresa Taylor, Richard Linklater, Flea, Dave Grohl, Henry Rollins,

Wednesday, March 12 | 3:30pm | Paramount Theatre Thursday, March 13 | 9:00pm | AFS Cinema

#### Forever We Are Young

Directors: Grace Lee, Patty Ahn

The Butthole Surfers.

World Premiere | United States | 2025 | 91 MIN English, Korean, Spanish; Castilian with English Subtitles

Forever We Are Young delves into the heart, scul, and surprising evolution of one of the most passionate and complex global fandoms in pop music history: BTS ARMY.

Monday, March 10 | 11:00am | Paramount Theatre Tuesday, March 11 | 5:45pm | ZACH Theatra

#### La Salsa Vive

Director/Screenwriter: Juan Carvajal World Premiere | Colombia | 2025 | 101 MIN

Spanish-Castillan with English Subtitles

La Salsa Vive is a vibrant cinematic exploration of Afro-Cuban music's history, tracing its roots from New York's lively streets to Cali, Colombia, now the global salsa capital.

Cast: Rubén Blades, Henry Fiol, Willie Rosario, Angel Lebron, Johnny Rodriguez, Luis Eduardo Mulato, Samuel Formell, Francia Elena, Yuleissy Montano, Kevin Santiago Quiñones

Friday, March 7 | 2:45pm | Alamo Lamar 1 & 8 Saturday, March 8 | 9:15pm | AFS Ciner Friday, March 14 | 6:00pm | Alamo Lamar 8



#### The Makings of Curtis Mayfield

Director: H.E.R.

World Premiere | United States | | 97 MIN

The Makings of Curtis Mayfield, directed by and featuring Grammy Award winning musical artist and actor, H.E.R., explores the legacy and deep musical and cultural influence of singer, songwriter, guitarist, producer and entrepreneur Curtis Mayfield.

Cast: Curtis Mayfield, H.E.R., Dr. Dre, Mary J Elige, John Legend, Lena Waithe, Stephen Marley, Maxwell, Tom Morello, Ernie Isley

Monday, March 10 | 2:30pm | Paramount Theatre Tuesday, March 11 | 3:00pm | SXSWFilm & TV Theater @ The Hyatt

Wednesday, March 12 | 11:00am | Violet Crown Cinema 1 & 3

#### Selena y Los Dinos

Director: Isabel Castro

Texas Premiere | United States | 2025 | 105 MIN

Selena y Los Dinos explores the life and legacy of Selena Quintanilla, the Queen of Tejano music. Through archival footage and interviews, the film highlights her rise to stardom and her family's commitment to preserving her enduring impact.

Wednesday, March 12 | 12:COpm | Paramount Theatre Saturday, March 15 | 6:45pm | AFS Cinema.



### SHORTS

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#### Animated Short Program

Baggage Detlev The Dream Machine Hunikán

Mambo No.2 Mine! My Wonderful Life Retirement Plan

S The Wolf

TV or The Disturbance on Forest Hill Road Words of Her

Saturday, March B | 9:30pm | Rollins Theatre at The Long Center Wednesday, Narch 12 | 10:45am | Alamo Lamar 9

#### Documentary Short Program 1

Exodus

The Goldfish Club The Long Valley Tiger

Welcome Home Freckles

Sunday, March 9 | 11:00am | Rollina Theatreat The Long Center Wednesday, March 12 | 2:30pm | Rollins Theatre at The Long Center

#### Documentary Short Program 2

Armed only with a Camera: The Life and Death of Brent Renaud

Camp Widow Looking for a Donkey Murewa

Shanti Rides Shotaun We Beg To Differ

Sunday, March 9 | 2:30pm | Rollins Theatre at The Long Center Wednesday, March 12 | II:00am | Rollins Theatre at The Long Center

#### Midnight Short Program

The Beguiling Familiar Last Call Lurk Stomach Bug

Videa Barn

Whitch Sunday, March 9 | 9:45pm | Rollins Theatre at The Long Center Thursday, March 13 | 10:15pm |

#### Music Video Program

A\$AP Rocky - 'Tailor Swif Biji - 'Zigidi'

Billy Strings - 'Seven Weeks In County'

Carson Coma -'Feldobom a Követ' Cera Gibson - 'Eclipse'

Foster the People -"Lost in Space" French Cassettes -'White Noise'

Hana Vu - 'Care' Jeremy Pope - 'U, Lost + What I Gotta Do'

Khruangbin - 'May Ninth' Laboratorios Moreno Sonidos del

Bosque' Megan Thee Stallion ft. RM - 'Neva Play' Nubiyan Twist ft Nile

Rodgers - 'Lights Out' Only Twin - 'Give You Up'

Red Clay Strays -'Wanna Be Loved'

RM - 'Lost!' Sabrina Carpenter - 'Please Please Please'

Sarah Klang - 'Other Girls'

Sieater-Kinney - 'Say It Like You Mean It' Sunday, March 9 | 6:30pm | Alamo Lamar 9 Thursday, March 13 | 3:00pm | Alamo Lamar 9

#### Narrative Short Program 1

How Was Your Weekend? I'm The Most Racist Person I Know

Max Distance Nervous Energy The Singers WassupKaylee

Saturday, March 8 | 11:00am | Rollins heatre at The Long Center Tuesday, March II | 2:30pm | Rollins Theatre at The Long Center

#### Narrative Short Program 2

24 Hours After Reading Tuesdays with Morrie

Entre Tormentas Grandma's Four Color

One Day This Kid Out for Delivery The Sentry Synthesize Me

Saturday, March 8 | 2:30pm | Rollins Theatre at The Long Center Tuesday, March 11 | 6:15pm | Rollins Theatre at The Long Center

#### Narrative Short Program 3

Baba I'm Fine Ben's Sister Brief Somebodies Night Bloom Strangers in the Same Shirt Unholy Yú Cì (Fish Bones)

Saturday, March 8 | 6:00pm | Rollins Theatre at The Long Center Tuesday, March 11 | 11:00am | Rollins Theatre at The Long Center

#### Texas Short Program

An Ongoing List of Things Found in the Library Book Drop, Usually Being Used as Bookmarks Good Time Charlie

Harvester Neuro

Newbies Randy As Himself Red Sands

Sweetbrian

Friday, March 7| 6:90pm | SXSW Film & TV Theater @ The Hyatt Monday, March 10 | 11:00am | Pollins Theatre at The Long Center

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Check out the Creating Film & TV and Film & TV Industry tracks Friday, March 7-Tuesday, March 11 as well as the XR track Sunday, March 9-Tuesday, March 11. Find out more in the SXSW GO

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#### AUDITORIUM SHORES

SXSW Community Concerts
3:00PM Pedal Steel Noah (Austria)
3:50PM Lesly Reynaga (Austria)
5:00PM OneDa (Monthetter UK)
6:25PM Geto Gala (Austria)
6:20PM Sir Woman (Austria)

#### **MONDAY, MARCH 10**

#### ANTONE'S

TenCent Music Entertainment 8:00PM Berklee Chinese Traditional Music Club (CTM) @excell@

9.00PM Rijah (Jerssythyn.) 10:00PM Runyu Qian (Beijng DHNA) 11:00PM Tia Ray(Hushus DityOHNA)

## BRITISH MUSIC EMBASSY @ PALM DOOR ON SIXTH

Beyond The Music Manchester 8:40PM Lizzie Berchie (London UK) 10:00PM Fourth Daughter (Edinburgh UK) 11:20PM Ellur (Halfax UK)

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8:00PM Dilettante (Louis UK) 9:20PM Gen and The Degenerates (Loupsel UK) 10:40PM The K's (Marringsel K)

#### COCONUT CLUB

9:30PM Cysum (Austin TX) 11:00PM NOTEP (Bangkok THALAND)

#### COCONUT CLUB ROOFTOP

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TBA Su\$\$ie Pu\$\$y (Auxim TX)
TBA Tirooko (Tegarigalpa HONDURAS)
TBA Caleb Calloway (San Juan PUERTO FICO)
TBA Dina (Los Angeles DA)
TBA jioaquan (Los Angeles CA)

#### COOPER'S BBQ

8:00PM Harvest Thieves (Austin TX)
9:00PM Eric Heideman (Austin TX)
10:00PM William Harries Graham (Austin TX)
10:00PM Casper Allen (Austin TX)
12:00AM Finn Forster (Widdenbrough UK)
10:0AM Texas String Assembly (Austin TX)

#### CUATRO GATO

#### 512 Sounds

8:00PM Quiet Light (balls TX)
9:00PM Lew Apollo (Austin TX)
10:00PM Chief Cleopatra (Austin TX)
11:00PM Pretty Boy Aaron (balan TX)
12:00AM Marry Cherry (Austin TX)
12:00AM ASHMAR. (Austin TX)
12:00AM HEXXXGF (San Angele TX)

#### ELYSIUM

The Blendid Experience
8:00PM Mr. Switch (#mmgham IK)
8:40PM The Beatbox Collective (Learnington Spa. IK)
8:55PM HerShe (Reston IK)
8:55PM UK Beatbox Champion Bass
Ventura (IK):ester IK)

9:05PM Kimberly Zielnicki (Austin TX)
9:05PM Adjua (Gariff UK)
9:25PM The PETEBOX (Hettingfam UK)
9:45PM The Beatbox House (New York NY)
10:30PM The Beatbox House (New York NY)
10:5PM Spiderhorse (New York NY)
1H5PM JURASSIC 5's SOUP
aka FULLEE LOVE (LosAngeles UA)

1136PM Mr. Switch (BringhamUK) 105AM DJ Champions Showdown (with Special Guests) (Landon (K)

#### FLAMINGO CANTINA

South Asian House Soundvilla
7:309M DJ Anupi (Ascin Ti)
8:00PM Kavi (live painting) Degima Bosh RJ
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8:00PM Ramya Pothuri (St. Losis MC)
8:35PM Gayathri Krishnan (hvec QA)
9:25PM Paravi (Oskabba Ol)
10:55PM Paravi (Oskabba Ol)
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10:55PM Paravi (Oskabba Ol)
10:55PM PRIYANKA (Los Asgidos CA)
2:200AM GNDHI (Brandaru MOM)

#### INTERNATIONAL NIGHTS AT RIVIAN PARK

SXSW Community Concert Series
Fies & Open to the Public at
Finals Square Park ( 400 # 5 th St
7:00PM Flor (FinDe-Jamein BRADI)
8:00PM Aiko (Fingan CEEH4)
9:00PM Teo Glacier (Auddand NEW ZEALAND)
10:00PM Sam Ryder (Lordon UK)

#### SPEAKEASY

Berlin Partner at GERMAN HAUS 8:00PM Hierba Malita(Huster TX) 9:00PM Niklas Dec (Berlin GERMANY) 10:00PM WISE | AV:

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#### SPEAKEASY KABARET

Berlin Partner at GERMAN HAUS 8:00PM Caleb De Casper (Austin TX) 9:00PM Cloudy June @erlin GERMANY) 10:00PM Jennifer Touch @erlin GERMANY) 10:00PM Martin Eyerer (Bellin GERMANY) 12:00AM Jennifer Cardini (Libbon PORTUGAL)

#### SWAN DIVE

8:00PM Queen Serene (Nustin TX)
9:00PM Jo Hill (London UK)
10:00PM STRANGE LOT (Audin TX)
10:00PM Campfire Social (Weethern UK)
12:00AM Last Waltzon (Wortrad UK)
10:00AM The OBGMs (Toronto UK)

#### SWAN DIVE PATIO

8:15PM AHI (Brampton 0N)
9:15PM Pavey Ark (Hulluk)
10:15PM His His Schootheg 0N)
11:15PM Kassidy (Torono 0N)
12:15AM Knife Channel (Austin 170)

#### THE 13TH FLOOR

8:00PM Gummy Fang (Austin TX)
9:00PM Bubba Lucky (Austin TX)
10:00PM Catcher (Brooklyn NY)
11:00PM Gus Baldwin & The Sketch (Austin TX)
12:00AM Laura Lee & the Jettes (Borlin GERMANY)
10:00AM Sailor Poon (Austin TX)

#### VALHALLA

8:00PM Bee Blackwell (Austria To) 9:00PM Taleen Kali (Los Angeles CA) 10:00PM Glaze (Austria To) 10:00PM sunnbrella (Prague (ZEDHA) 12:00AM terrapiana (Austria BRAZL) 10:0AM Daydream Twins (Austria To)

#### VAQUERO TAQUERO

#HTXMusicMonday 8:f5PM Kiy Laeson (Lalayette LA) SECOPM Ceione Jenore (San Francisco CA) 8:45PM Jeabrile Rielle (New Orleans LA) 9:00PM Just Jacub (Houston TX) 9:20PMLoFrmDaMo (Missouri Olty TX) 9:40PM Ron Don (Braward County RI) 10:00PM J Crews (TukerOK) 10:20PM Ace Park (Houston TX) 11:00PM Lolita Monreaux (Missouri Oky TX) 11:20PM DJ Hollygrove (New Orleans LA) 11:40PM OVL Big Feddy (Faleigh NC) 11:50PM Baby Sam (Houston TX) 12:ISAM DJ X.O. (XO) (Houston TX) 12:40AM Wacotron (WacoTX) HODAM HTX Music Monday DJs (Houston TX)

#### TUESDAY, MARCH 11

#### ANTONE'S

High Road Touring
8:00PM Joelton Mayfield (Nathwile TN)
8:46PM Case Oats (Disagoll)
9:30PM mary in the junkyard (London UK)
10:20PM Monobloc New YorkMY1
11:10PM Cardinals (See HIBLAND)
12:00AM CVC (Cardfull)

#### AUSTIN CITY LIMITS LIVE AT THE MOODY THEATER

Rolling Stone Future of Music 6:50PM DJ Mel (Austin TX) 7:45PM jasmine. 4-t Olandraster UK) 8:35PM Lailal (Brothlyn NY) 9:35PM bannah bahng (Sydney AUSTRALIA) 10:55PM Benson Boone (Morros WA)

# @ PALM DOOR ON SIXTH

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8:00PM Yoshika Colwell (Londor LK) 9:20PM Delivery (Melbourne ALBTRALIA) 10:40PM Gurriers (Dublin (FELANI) 12:00AM OneDa (Manchester LK)

#### BRITISH MUSIC EMBASSY @ PALM DOOR ON SIXTH PATIO

Ristband: Future x Music 8:40PM Cloth (Biagow UK) 10:00PM Pivots (Lordon UK) 11:20PM Steam Down (Lordon UK)

# CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

7:00PM Pavey Ark (Hulluk) 8:00PM Nive Nielsen (Hurk (RETHLAMD) 9:00PM tamanaramen (Tokys JAPAN) 10:00PM Chrysalis (Mathrile 11)

#### CHESS CLUB

We Were Never Being Boring
8:00PM simmoat Doperhagen DBM/ARI)
9:00PM Her Skin (Belggan TALY)
10:00PM Francesca Bono (Belggan TALY)
10:00PM Altre di B (Belggan TALY)
10:00AM Weird Bloom (Remo TALY)
10:00AM Glamorama (Belggan TALY)

#### COCONUT CLUB ROOFTOP

All The Vibes
8:00PM BlackRock (Loddhart TX)
8:20PM Devecon (MarriFL)
8:40PM VITAL Powers (Moharbumpton DA)
9:00PM King Cruff (Singston JAMA)DA)
9:20PM DEJA (Barringhamt K)
9:40PM JUS Now (Port Of Spain TENDAD AND TORADO)
10:00PM Big Zeeks (London UK)
10:40PM NESTA (Downer KY)
10:40PM NESTA (Downer KY)
10:00PM Frisco BBK & ThaFirst (London UK)
11:20PM Haile (Lordon UK)
12:20AM ASHMAR. (Austin TX)
12:50AM DJ English Dom (Lordon UK)
12:20AM DJ Jamie Dred (Austin TX)
14:0AM DJ ROAD WARRIOR (Austin TX)
14:0AM DJ ROAD WARRIOR (Austin TX)

#### CONTINENTAL CLUB

Rounder Records
8:00PM John R Miller (Nadwills TN)
8:00PM JD Clayton (FartSmith AR)
10:00PM Ken Pomeroy (Inda (K))
10:00PM Carter Vail (Los Angeles (IA))
12:00AM Judy Blank (Usech NETHERLANDS)
10:00AM Pedal Steel Noah (Assin TK)

Jazz from Deitas to the World

#### COOPER'S BBQ

BOOPM Lassy-Eskola: Nordic Stew (Historicki FINLAND) 9:00PM MORDÁI (Budapost HUNDARY) 10:00PM ROUTE (Budapost HUNDARY) 10:00PM Lo Boop Mountain JAPAN)

10:00PM MORDAI (Budapest HUNDARY) 10:00PM ROUTE14band (Harmende JAPAN) 10:00PM JaRon Marshall (Austin TO) 12:00AM SPDS - Smag På Dig Selv (Ospenhagen DENMAR)

# THE CRYSTAL ROOM @ THE DRISKILL

8:00PM Sty5thAve (Austin TX)
9:00PM Winnie Ama (Beltist UK)
10:00PM Squid The Kid (Mitbourne AUSTRALIA)
10:00PM Jona Camacho (Misgasi COLOMBIA)
12:00AM Pritt (Lordon UK)
10:00AM J.Tajor (Mobourne AUSTRALIA)

#### CUATRO GATO

Slowly 8;00PM Riesgo (Monterry MEDCO) 9:00PM Zenci (Manterry MEDCO) 0:30PM Adrian Be (Monterry MEDCO) 12:00AM XS (Monterrey MEDCO)

#### THE DRISKILL BAR & GRILL

Songs From A Room' by Sofar Sounds 800PM Olivia Komahcheet (Austin TX) 9:00PM Adjua (Cardif UR) 10:00PM Afterthought (San Francisco CA) 10:00PM Boo Seeka (Dadley AUSTRALIA) 12:00AM HIMALAYAS (Cardif UR) 1:00AM Fake Dad (Los Angeles CA)

#### ELYSIUM

Italians Do It Better x Indie Sleaze
8:00PM tiger bae (Telyo JAPAN)
9:00PM Maryze (Montreal 00)
10:00PM Annie-Claude Deschênes (Montreal 00)
10:00PM Master Peace (London UK)
12:00AM KAP BAMBINO (Bardauc RAMCE)
12:45AM Desire [DJ set] (Los Angalas 04)

#### EMPIRE CONTROL ROOM

3500 x Frothing Fest: A Dog's House
8:00PM Slyy Stone (Les Angeles OA)
8:30PM JaySkrilla (Bando DA)
8:45PM Tezzus (Atlanta BA)
9:00PM RickfromTexas (Austin TX)
9:20PM Bribandz (Proceix AZ)
9:40PM Lisha G (Bandon SC)
9:55PM Oodaredevil (Ballan TX)
10:35PM Fear Dorisan (Atlanta DA)
10:35PM AyooLii (Milwasheo W)
10:55PM Polo Perks <3 <3 <3 (HarkenMY)
10:55PM Reily Rude (Les Angeles CA)
12:25AM Skailwaster (Lendon UK)

#### EMPIRE GARAGE

Take Action x SXSW
7:20PM Tribe Friday (Grebre SWEDEN)
8:00PM Mark Barden (Mentern CT)
8:50PM The Dumes (Lee Argelee CA)
9:40PM Sexpop (Acute TX)
10:30PM Passion Pit (Cambridge MA)
10:40PM Ginuwine (Washington DC)
1:00AM Artie Tobia & Redtail Revival (New

#### FLAMINGO CANTINA

LatiNxt & Let's Gig Brazili
8.00PM Flor Ris De Janeiro BRAZII
0.00PM Vanessa Zamora (San Diego CA)
11.00PM Beats y Bateria (Disagnil)
12.00AM Sophie Castillo (Leadon UK)
TBA Future Rootz (Ningo IL)

#### INTERNATIONAL NIGHTS AT RIVIAN PARK

SXSW Community Concert Series
Free & Opan to the Public at
Brush Square Park ( 409 E 5th St
7:00PN Daniela Pes (Bidgral (1417)
8:00PM Paula Prieto (Burron Aires ADGENTINA)
9:00PM GNDHI (Bangalan (1604)
10:00PM Tia Ray Stablacion (HNA)

#### LAS PERLAS

End of the Trail

8.00PM Cortney Dixon (South Shields UK)

9.00PM The K's (Manington UK)

10.00PM Korda Korder (Hausings UK)

12.00AM Venus Grrels (Leeds UK)

10.00AM The Fiends (Swanses UK)

#### LOW DOWN LOUNGE

8:00PM Schatzi (Austin TX)
9:00PM Guardian Singles (Austiand NEW ZEALAND)
10:00PM Ribbon Skirt (Mantred 0C)
10:00PM Montaz (Austin TX)
12:00AM Modernform (Austin TX)

#### MALA FAMA

TBA Midnight Navy (Austrill)
TBA Edgar Alejandro (Los Angoles CA)
TBA BOLO THE DJ (San Diego CA)
TBA Sultanes del Yonke (8 Faso TX)

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#### MOHAWK INDOOR

Inspired by Tokyo X
CEIPA MUSIC WAY PROJECT
9:10PM Fuki Kitamura (furagita JAPAN)
10:10PM VivaOla (Tokyo JAPAN)
12:10PM Iuvis (fysto JAPAN)
12:10PM X A MIYA (folyo JAPAN)

#### MOHAWK OUTDOOR

Tokyo Calling X CEIPA MUSIC WAY PROJECT 9:30PH GOKUMON (Uchikubi Gokumon

Doukoukai) (TekpoJAPAN)
10:30PM Chiaki Mayumura (Shibuya-KuJAPAN)
11:30PM Enfants (TekpoJAPAN)
12:30AM Tokyo Syoki Syodo (Shimekhazawa JAPAN)
11:BA Runyu Qian (Bajing CHINA)
11:BA La Cendejas (Madrid SPAN)

#### SAXON PUB

8:00PM Eric Heideman (Austri 72) 9:00PM Julie Nolen (Austri 73) 0:00PM Patrice Pike (Austri 73) 12:00AM Curtis McMurtry (Austri 73) 1:00AM West Texas Exiles (Austri 73)

#### SEVEN GRAND

Live at Leeds
8:20PM Dilettante (Leeds UI)
9:20PM Sly Withers (Perth AUSTRALIA)
10:20PM Ellur (Hebback)
12:20PM Honeyglaze (Leedse UK)
12:20AM Antony Szmierek (Manchesta: UK)
12:20AM Annie-Dog (Dable RELAND)

#### SHANGRI-LA Iceland Airwaves

7:00PM Hermigervill sinylqavici08.44(0 8:00PM flupina (Baykjavici08.44(0 9:00PM Sunna Margrét (Baykjavici08.44(0) 10:00PM superserious (Baykjavici08.48(1)

#### SPEAKEASY

European Beats at GERMAN HAUS 8:00PM TEII A VISION (see Ind GERMAN) 9:00PM Jennifer Touch (Berin GERMAN) 10:00PM Aiko (Prague 02/EMHA) 10:00PM Cari Cari (Vinnea AISTRA) 2:00AM HEAL (Burcelona SPAN) 100AM Meltheads (Artourp BELCLUM)

#### SPEAKEASY KABARET

European Beats at GERMAN HAUS
8:20PM HIEN (Matapas HUNGARY)
9:20PM Shishi (Vinias UTHANIA)
10:20PM Really Good Time (Dubin RELAND)
11:20PM Ava Vegas 0.os Angeles 0.0)
12:20PM Air Vegas 0.os Angeles 0.0)
12:20AM Personal Trainer (AmsterdamMETHERLANDS)
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#### STUBBS

TBA John Fogerty (Berkley (A)

#### SWAN DIVE

Mothland x Exclaim! Magazine x Project Nowhere 800PM Truck Violence (Mentrel 00) 800PM La Sécurité (Mentrel 00) 10:00PM TVOD (Mentige NY) 10:00PM CDSM (Manta DA) 12:00AM PYPY (Mentrel 00) 10:0AM Grim Streaker (Reeklyn NY)

#### SWAN DIVE PATIO

Mothland x Exclaim! Magazine x Project Nowhere 8:30PM Gus Englehorn (NaiH) 9:30PM Gloin (Joento ON) 10:30PM Yoo Doo Right (Montred OC) 12:30PM Population II (Montred OC) 12:30PM Slash Need (Coroto ON)

#### THE 13TH FLOOR

8:00PM Go Cactus (Palvus SPANI) 9:00PM Nemegata (Austri IX) 10:00PM JOSEON (Los Angles 0A) 10:00PM JORD (Brigan NORIUM) 12:00AM Dutch Interior (Long Basch 0A) 10:0AM o'summer vacation (Kobs JAPANI)

#### VALHALLA

8:00PN Native Sun (Rrosklyn NY)
9:00PM Mills (Beviling Green KY)
10:00PM Elephant Kind (Bakarta RDONESA)
10:00PM The Molotovs (London UK)
12:00AM The Criticals (Nathville TM)
1:00AM Cotton Mather (Austin TD)

#### VAQUERO TAQUERO

Taco Tuesday

8:00PN The Chopstars (Handen TX)
8:45PM Lucy Larae (Typede PURITO RICO)
9:25PM Lay Cyres Oriow (Hennat LA)
10:25PM La' Rixkie God (New Oriona LA)
10:45PM Derrick Neally (Mantas BA)
11:00PM Deshaun Jay (Sas Antonio TX)
11:50PM Ricce Harris (Neuton TX)
12:10AM Quiet Money Dot (Hauston TX)
12:30AM QJ Candlestick (Hauston TX)

#### THE VELVEETA ROOM

Broadside Hacks Folk Club 8:00PM His His Schemberg (10 9:00PM Milkweed (Loder IX) 10:00PM John Francis Flynn (Bubin RELAND) 10:00PM Spitzer Space Telescope (SLJshn) MQ 12:00AM Frail Talk (Fot Colline 00) 1:00AM Dogs on Shady Lane (Perickece RD

#### ZILKER BREWING

Penny Loafer PR
7:00PM Lucy Sugerman (Castern AUSTRALIA)
7:50PM Bee Blackwell (Austra T3)
8:40PM Joan & The Giants PerthAUSTRALIA)
9:30PM The VANNS (Waltergorg AUSTRALIA)
10:20PM Yes Sir, No Sir (Austra TX)

### **WEDNESDAY, MARCH 12**

#### ANTONE'S

The Live List
7:19FM Humbird (Minospolis MN)
8:00PM Elizabeth Moen (Whita RD)
9:00PM Social Cinema (Whita RD)
10:00PM Tommy Newport (Wichta RD)
10:00PM Joe P (Aubury Park RD)
12:00AM SNACKTIME (Philodelphia PN)
10:00AM Wishy (Indungalia R)

#### AUSTIN CITY LIMITS LIVE AT THE MOODY THEATER

Rolling Stone Future of Music
7:5FM Honky Tonkin' in Queens (Queens M/)
7:45FM Brittney Spencer (Vashville TM)
8:35FM Larkin Poethshville TM)
9:35FM Stephen Wilson Jr. (Segment M)
10:55FM Megan Moroney (Questionle GA)

#### BRITISH MUSIC EMBASSY @ PALM DOOR ON SIXTH

BBC Introducing 8:40PM mary in the junkyard (London UK) 10:00PM Maruja (Manchester UK) 11:20PM ALT BLK ERA (Notingham UK)

#### BRITISH MUSIC EMBASSY @ PALM DOOR ON SIXTH PATIO

BBC Introducing
8:00PM jasmine.4.t (Manchester UK)
9:20PM Freak Slug Otonchester UK)
10:40PM Man/Woman/Chainsaw (London UK)
12:00AM Big Special (Mahall UK)

#### CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

7:00PM Shiho Yabuki 64adas JAPANI 8:00PM Marta Cascales Alimbau (Basodoru SPANI 9:00PM Daniela Pes (Bdgpal/INIV) 10:00PM Sunna Margrét (Bolgpal/INIV)

#### CHESS CLUB

8:00PM Open Head (Gripton M7)
9:00PM I wear your chain (Audin TX)
10:00PM o'summer vacation (Lobe AMPM)
10:00PM Fashion Club (Lob Angeleo 0A)
10:00AM Her New Knife (Philodophia PA)
10:00AM Sinema (Jolla TX)

#### COCONUT CLUB

8:00PM Cruzioma (Debo EDUADIR)
9:30PM badfocus (Pager (ZEDHA)
11:00PM Laurence Guy (Leeden UK)
12:30AM Ribongia (Brand Bale MAURITUS)

#### COCONUT CLUB ROOFTOP

Corson Agency
8:00PM BOLO THE DJ (Sin Diegrot)
9:00PM Chan Office W0
10:00PM RayBurger (India TX)
11:00PM Jenna Shaw (Austin TX)
12:00AM TRIPTYKH (India TX)
10:00AM Spadetek (Sovi Went DX)

#### CONTINENTAL CLUB

Traffic Music Group
8:00PM Suzanna Choffel (Austin TX)
9:00PM Lew Apollo (Austin TX)
10:00PM Somebody Someone (Austin TX)
10:00PM Quentin (Austin TX)
12:00AM Casper Allen (Austin TX)
10:00AM Tomar and The FCs (Austin TX)

#### COOPER'S BBQ

ATX Composers Showcase sponsored by KMFA
7:00PM Inversion (Austrit)
9:00PM Invoke (Austrit)
9:20PM VAMP (Austrit)
1:40PM Daniel Fears (Austrit)

#### THE CREEK AND THE CAVE BACKYARD

Wide Days Scotland
8:20PM Cloth (BingowUK)
9:20PM Fourth Daughter EdmburghUN)
10:20PM Jacob Alon (Fibulk)
11:30PM Kapil Seshasayee (BingowUK)
11:54M Fourth Daughter (DJ set) EdmburghUN

#### THE CREEK AND THE CAVE

FOCUS Wales 8:00PM MELLT (Bardif UK) 8:50PM Adjua (Barg UK) 9:40PM twst Barry UK) 10:30PM Campfire Social (Weekan UK) 11:20PM CVC (Bardif UK) 12:10AM HIMALAYAS (Bardif UK)

## THE CRYSTAL ROOM @ THE DRISKILL

Songs From A Room'
9:00PM Big Phony free Verk M/
10:00PM AHI @ampton0Ni
10:00PM Dead Gowns @ortant Mio
12:00PM Spitzer Space Telescope @.John's Mi

#### **CUATRO GATO**

International Hip-Hop

8:00PM DJ Manny Mo (Austri TX)

8:00PM Kayps (Perh AUSTRALIA)

9:00PM SAIL (Tokys JPANO

9:50PM Oshua (Perh AUSTRALIA)

9:50PM Oshua (Perh AUSTRALIA)

11:00PM Dr. Pushkin (Bolgstang GHANA)

11:50PM M.I Abaga (Malngo MSERIA)

12:30AM VV Pate (Sydny MSTRALIA)

10AM ASOBO SM (Volcalman AIPM)

#### THE DRISKILL BAR & GRILL

Songs From A Room' by Sofar Sounds 8:00PM Lauren Frihauf (Derver 00) 9:00PM Mohsin Zaman (Boroto 01) 0:00PM Ailbhe Reddy (Dubin (RLAND) 11:00PM The Beatbox Collective (Leunington Spa UK) 12:00AM PUNCHING BAG (Persona CA)

#### **ELYSIUM**

American Music & Sound
ScopM Blood Club (Driesgell)
9.00PM Perennial dranferd (T)
10:00PM UNIVERSITY (Dress UK)
11:00PM The Thing (New York M)
12:00AM SUSS (New York M)
10:00AM Nuclear Daisies (New In TX)

#### EMPIRE CONTROL ROOM

One Filmix Live
8:00PM JC Stewart (Nagherofet UK)
9:00PM Ny Oh (Taranga NEW ZEALAND)
10:00PM Finn Forster (Medicabrough UK)
10:00PM Princess Superstar (Los Angeles (LA)
12:00AM Beth McCarthy (York UK)
10:00AM Mills (Booden (York UK)

#### EMPIRE GARAGE

DAWA - Vision: 8291 UNITY
7,45PM Midnight Navy (Assta IX)
8:20PM Blakchyl (Austa IX)
8:55PM JD Cliffe (Londoulk)
9:35PM LARA' (Houston IX)
10:55PM Erick the Architect Brooklyn NY)
11:10PM BLK ODYSSY (Nainfeeld IX)
12:25AM Riders Against the Storm (RAS)
(Nasta IX)

## 1:00AM Wyldflower (Austin TX) FLAMINGO CANTINA

Afrobeats Global
8:00PM DJ English Dom (LordonUK)
8:30PM DSean (Lages MACHA)
9:00PM Millian / BM Casso (Lagos NGERIA)
9:30PM J'ray (Lages MACHA)
10:30PM DarkoVibes (Asera GHAMA)
10:30PM T Mulla (Interiory)(II)
10:00PM Yung D3mz (Terns GHAMA)
12:30PM PsychoYP (Abada East NIGERIA)
12:30AM Jeff Akoh (Austin TX)
13:30AM Nektunez (Acers GHAMA)
13:30AM DJ Jamie Dred (Austin TX)

#### HOTEL VEGAS

7:00PM Guira King (Austin TX)
7:30PM EI Tule (Austin TX)
8:30PM Los Desechos (Austin TX)
9:30PM Los Gatos 512 (San Marcos TX)
10:30PM Cayuga All Starrs (India TX)
13:30PM El Plan Sonidero (Austin TX)
12:30AM Adlik Hermanos Flores (FucblishE000)

#### HOTEL VEGAS AT VOLSTEAD

Hueso Hueso
7:00PM HEXXXGF (San Angelo TX)
7:40PM FLAKO STIK (Austin TX)
8:40PM Vanita Leo (San Antonio TX)
8:40PM Susobrino (Brussals BELOUN)
10:40PM Astros de Mendoza (Mexico Oty VEXICO)
10:40PM Adrián Activo (Austin TX)
2:40AM EL DUSTY (Otepas (Writif TX)
12:0AM EL Nick DGO (Saltes TX)

#### HOTEL VEGAS PATIO

7:00PM Los Gran Reyes (Bullet TX)
9:00PM Llamativa (Sen Artonio TX)
10:00PM QUIMIKOZ DEL SON (Bullet TX)
10:00PM El Combo Oscuro (Austin TX)
12:00AM Sonido Gallo Negro (Mexico Oty MEXICO)
10:00AM A; Oiensave? (Salinas QA)

#### INTERNATIONAL NIGHTS AT RIVIAN PARK

SXSW Community Concert Series
Free & Open to the Public at
Brush Square Park (1409 Eds):
7:00PM Yndling (Bergen NGRWY)
8:00PM Soda Blonde (Deblen RELAND)
9:00PM Luv (Deaks JAPAN)
0:00PM KAP BAMBINO (Berdesse FRANCE)

#### LAS PERLAS

Sound of SEA
8:20PM NISATIWA X NOTEP (Bangkok THALAND)
9:20PM OG Avamato (Makasari RIDORESIA)
10:20PM Zamaera (Kusik Lumpur MALAYSIA)
10:20PM Murri (Manis HILPPINES)
10:20AM Kimmortal (Vancouwer BC)
12:20AM Ali (Jakaria RIDORESIA)

#### LEFTY'S BRICK BAR

KUTX - The Breaks
SXSW Community Concert Series
Free & Open to the Public
T:05PM Mason Flynt (Ausin TX)
7:30PM Wes Denzel (Austin TX)
8:30PM xBValentine (Googstown TX)
8:30PM xBVAlentine (Googstown TX)
9:30PM xBVALENTESH (Baton Tougs LA)
9:30PM Frederick Boom (Bidago II)
9:30PM JahleelFaReal (Austin TX)
10:20PM LYNN (Birmishan AL)

#### LOW DOWN LOUNGE

8:00PM Gummy Fang (Austin T2)
9:00PM Dogs on Shady Lane (Providence RI)
10:00PM Tunnel Lox Angeles (A)
10:00PM Shallowater (Houston T2)
12:00AM Parker Woodland (Hustin TX)

#### MALA FAMA

#### Hasta Bajo

TBA Principe Q (Corpus Christi TX)
TBA Helios (Austin TX)
TBA DDR (Austin TX)
TBA DJ Nimbuz (Austin TX)
TBA DJ Nimbuz (Austin TX)
TBA DJ Mr. G (Mer TX)

#### MALA VIDA

TBA Sofia Reyes (Los Angoles DA)
TBA Angelina Victoria (Chicago L.)
TBA Calle 24 (Lushternos UE)003
TBA Clave Especial (Salinas DA)
TBA Armenta (Tijura ME)003

#### MARLOW

The Wisconsin House
800PM SCAM LIKELY (Disagett)
900PM The Keystones (Missakes W)
10:00PM Wave Chapelle (Missakes W)
10:00PM NileXNile (Missakes W)
12:00AM Social Cig (Missakes W)
10:00AM Joey Turbo (Missakes W)

#### MOHAWK INDOOR

Monster Children
7:50PM HEAL (Barokras SPAR)
8:50PM Black Polish (Les Angeles GA)
9:50PM Delivery Melbourse AUSTRALIA)
10:50PM Pacific Avenue (Beringseg AUSTRALIA)
10:50PM Venus Grrris (LeschUK)
12:50AM Coldwave (Addids AUSTRALIA)

#### MOHAWK OUTDOOR

Monster Children

800PM Catcher (Brokkyn NV)

900PM Surely Shirley (Barna ALETRALIA)

10:00PM Radio Free Alice (Melberne ALETRALIA)

12:00AM Gurriers (Dable (REAND)

10:00AM Sunflower Bean (New York NY)

#### PARISH

Mint Talent Group

800PM Savannah Pope (Los Angeles (A)

900PM Emily Wolfe (Austin T8)

10:00PM Boo Seeka (Delley ALSTRALIA)

15:00PM Carter Vail (Los Angeles (A)

12:00AM Mall Girl (Dels NORMO)

1:00AM Day Joy (Austin T8)

#### ROZCO'S

AM/GO Agency
7:00PN Rudy De Anda (thiosgoil)
8:00PM Pretty Boy Aaron (fieldo TX)
9:00PM ARIEL (fice Angeles CA)
10:00PM Sophie Castillo (Lendon UK)
11:00PM Edgar Alejandro (fice Angeles CA)

#### SAXON PUB

8:0CPM Honey Made (Justin TX)
9:ISPM Jennifer Foster and The Audacity
(Justin TX)
10:30PM Hanorah (Mentrial 0C)
16:4SPM Squid The Kid (Melbourne AUSTRALIA)
16:0AM Chief Cleopatra (Justin TX)

#### SEVEN GRAND

Taiwan Beats
8:00PM HSIEN CHING (Taipei Gity TAIRUN)
9:00PM 7te (Taipei Gity TAIRUN)
10:00PM Andr (Taipei Gity TAIRUN)
10:00PM Enno Cheng (Tain Gity TAIRUN)
12:00AM TRASH (Taipei Gity TAIRUN)
12:00AM TRASH (Taipei Gity TAIRUN)
12:00AM Amazing Show (Shiari Gity TAIRUN)

#### SHANGRI-LA

The Spanish Wave
7:10PN Chlöe's Clue (Walencia SPAIN)
8:10PM Sultanes del Yonke (El Paso TX)
9:10PM La Cendejas (WaddSPNN)
0:10PM St. Pedro (Tenerie SPAIN)
11:10PM Amantes Del Futuro (Medida MEXICO)

#### SPEAKEASY

German Music Export by Initiative Musik at GERMAN HAUS 8:20PM Nilipek. BerladerMAN! 9:30PM Cloudy June BerladerMAN! 10:40PM Levin Goes Lightly Suntangereman!) 16:0PM Flawless Issues (Burgerteman!) 10:0AM Laura Lee & the Jettes (BerladerMAN!)

#### SPEAKEASY KABARET

German Music Export by Initiative Musik at GERMAN HAUS 8:00PM Catnapp (Belin GERMAN) 9:00PM David Bay (Hamburg GERMAN) 10:00PM Niklas Dee (Belin GERMAN) 12:00AM Caro van Ee (Hamburg GERMAN)

#### ST DAVID'S HISTORIC SANCTUARY

7:00PM Milkweed (London UIC) 8:00PM Die Heiterkeit (Bedin GEIM/WY) 9:00PM Amy Annelle (Martin TX) 10:00PM John Francis Flynn (Deilnin RELAND) 11:00PM Sean Solomon (Los Applies CA)

#### STEPHEN F'S BAR

8:00PM Burnstick (St. Claude VB) 9:00PM Sierra Spirit (Tube OK) 10:00PM Jasmine Wesley (Lee Angeles CA) 11:00PM Cap Carter (Sydney AUSTRALIA)

#### STUBB'S

C3 Management & Do512 8:00PM The Droptines (Emain TX) 8:45PM The Criticals (Mathella TN) 7:30PM Claire Rosinkranz (Lea Argeles CA) 8:30PM Yoke Lore (New York NY) 9:30PM Jack's Mannequin (Parage Causty CA) 0:50PM Band of Horses (Seattle WA)

#### SWAN DIVE

M for Montreal and POP Montreal
8:30PM Clere(Montreal CC)
9:30PM Billianne Office CC)
10:30PM Ribbon Skirt (Montreal CC)
10:30PM Annie-Claude Deschênes (Montreal CC)
12:30PM Population | Il Mantreal CC)

#### SWAN DIVE PATIO

M for Montreal and POP Montreal 8:00PM Maryze (Montreal QC) 9:00PM Knitting (Montreal QC) 10:00PM The OBGMs (Towns CM) 10:00PM Bon Enfant (Montreal QC) 12:00PM Alix Fernz (Montreal QC)

#### THE 13TH FLOOR

OMEN Magazine
8:00PM Hachiku (Neitoure AUSTRALIA)
9:00PM Monobloc (New York NY)
10:00PM Loverman (Rousel BELOUM)
10:00PM Antony Szmierek (Nandheitor UK)
12:00PM Sir Jude (Neitoure AUSTRALIA)
10:00PM Really Good Time (Outon RELAM)

#### VALHALLA

8:00PM Brutus VIII (Brooklyn NY) 9:00PM shower curtain (Brooklyn NY) 0:00PM Archer Oh (Messes Valley &A) 11:00PM Foliage (San Bernardise (A) 12:00AM Glom (Mess Vark NY) 1:00AM Bleary Eyed (Phiabalphia PA)

#### VAQUERO TAQUERO

Slowly
9:00PM Adrian Be (Manterny ME000)
10:00PM Ximena Soto (Mesterny MEXICO)
10:00PM BAROVIER (Menterny MEXICO)
12:00AM LULÚ (Manterny ME000)
10:00AM Perdón Amor (Mesterny ME000)

#### THE VELVEETA ROOM

Jazz re:freshed Outernational
7:30PM Jazz refreshed DJs (LindonUK)
8:00PM Sofia Grant (LeidonUK)
8:00PM Oreglo (LeidonUK)
10:00PM MADELEINE (LindonUK)
10:00PM Corto, alto (BasgarUK)
2:00AM Summer Pearl (LeidonUK)
1:00AM INSXGHT (LondonUK)

#### ZILKER BREWING

Flak Records
7:00PM The Coffee Sergeants (Austri TX)
7:45PM Larry Seaman (Austri TX)
8:30PM Little Wilderness (Durango DX)
9:30PM Utley 3 (Austri TX)
10:15PM Daily Worker (Austri TX)

#### THURSDAY, MARCH 13

#### ANTONE'S

iLL Manner x The Smoke Out ATX: A Phat A\$\$ Rap Show 8:00PM DJ Ajah Monet (Austin TX) 8:15PM Zayytee (El Paso TX) 8:30PM b. spoke (Austin TX) 8:45PM Jayveon Jackson (Betroft MI) 9:00PM Growchild. (Cascerna Cove TX) 9:15PM Malikvm (Harlen Mr) 9:30PM Bobby PITSTOP (Austin TX) 9:45PM Projectbabyjv (New Orleans LA) 10:00PM Shame Gang Raleigh NO 10:30PM DreTL (Atlanta (A) 10:45PM She Real Barberton 11:00PM Brodie Fresh Elmont MV 11:20PN Jae Skeese (BuffaloNY) 12:05AM AJ McQueen (Houston TX) 12:30AM Kaash Paige (Duller TX) 1:20AMJ Rich Tha Don Gustin TXI 1:40AM J Soulja (Austin TX)

#### AUSTIN CITY LIMITS LIVE AT THE MOODY THEATER

Rolling Stone Future of Music
7:5PM Riobamba (New York NY)
7:45PM GALE (San Juan PUERTO RIDO)
8:35PM NSQK (Martenry NED CO)
9:35PM Ca7riel & Paco Amoroso (Bannos Aires ARDENTINA)
10:55PM Ivan Cornejo (Riversido CO)

#### BRITISH MUSIC EMBASSY @ PALM DOOR ON SIXTH

BBC Introducing 8:40PM corto.alto(Shagoulli) 10:00PM BLACK FONDU (LondonUK) 11:20PM Sam Ryder (LondonUK)

#### BRITISH MUSIC EMBASSY @ PALM DOOR ON SIXTH PATIO

BBC Introducing

8:00FM Jacob Alon (Fife UK)

9:20FM Jo Hill (Lorder UK)

10:40FM OneDa (Manchetter UK)

12:00AM Confidence Man (Ristore AUSTRALW)

#### CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Audiofemme
7:00PM Red Stamp (Basedena SPMN)
9:00PM Sir Jude (Meboume AUSTRALIN)
10:00PM Honeyglaze (London US)
10:00PM Sarah Klang (Serbenberg SWEDEN)

#### CHESS CLUB

Range Magazine
8:00PM Knitting (Montreal 00)
9:00PM Miesha and The Spanks (Onlgary AB)
10:00PM Truck Violence (Montreal 00)
10:00PM Holy Void (Writings VI)
12:00AM Alix Fernz (Montreal 00)
10:00AM The OBGMs (Toomto 01)

#### COCONUT CLUB

8:00PM Fourth Daughter (Edinburgh UK) 9:30PM Desire (DJ set) (Los Angeles OA) 10:00PM Princess Superstar (Los Angeles CA) 12:30AM Caro van Ee (Hemburg ORMWH)

#### COCONUT CLUB ROOFTOP

Dom Recs Label Launch Showcase 8:00PM Roxy Cottontail(New York NY) 9:30PM Twin Shadow (DJ Set) (Lea Angeles CA) 10:30PM HIEN (Budapost HUNDARY) 11:00PM DAP The Contract (New York NY) 11:30PM Jasmine Solano (New York NY) 15:00AM GNDHI (Beneders (NEW)

#### CONTINENTAL CLUB

& DOPM The Red Eye Gamblers (Austin TX)

9:00PM Joelton Mayfield (Markelle TX)

10:00PM Brennan Wedl (Markelle TX)

10:00PM Jason Scott & The High Heat (Didahora CXyOX)

12:00AM Blue Cactus (Diapol HIMD)

10:00AM Hooks & The Huckleberries (Abayangan MX)

#### COOPER'S BBQ

Classical Unlocked

8:00PM Rachel Fenion (Bulin BERMANN)

9:00PM Vraell (LondonUK)

10:00PM Tokio Myers (LondonUK)

10:00PM Josefine Opsahl (Expenhagen BERMARK)

10:00AM Marta Cascales Alimbau (Baroslova SPAN)

10:00AM Echo Collective (Brusseh BELDUM)

#### THE CREEK AND THE CAVE BACKYARD

Greyline x Sounds Australia
820PM Kayps@rh.MSTRAUA)
920PM Boo Seeka (Dater AUSTRAUA)
920PM Rowena Wise (Mobauma AUSTRAUA)
920PM Sly Withers (Parth AUSTRAUA)
9220AM Radio Free Allice (Mobauma AUSTRAUA)
920AM Radio Free Allice (Mobauma AUSTRAUA)
920AM Dune Rats @richten (USTRAUA)

#### THE CREEK AND THE CAVE

DistroDirect Selects
8:00FM Frankie Venter (Mourt Mangarum REWZEALAND)
9:00FM J.Tajor (Muburne AUSTRALIA)
0:00FM Lucy Sugerman (Ombers AUSTRALIA)
10:00FM Surely Shirley (Marra AUSTRALIA)
12:00AM The VANNS (Molosgorg AUSTRALIA)
10:0AM Squid The Kid (Mebourne AUSTRALIA)

#### THE CRYSTAL ROOM @ THE DRISKILL

8:00PM Amelia Coburn@kidestroughUKi 9:00PM Skateland (#ustin TX) 10:00PM Mall Girl (#ustin TX) 10:00PM The Wellermen (\*ulapie VXI 10:00AM JC Stewart@kighswfetUKi 10:00AM Cap Carter (%ebov AUSTRALIA)

#### **CUATRO GATO**

7:00PM Hierba Malita (Houston TI)
7:30PM Lodri (Webnote BOLIWARIAN REPUBLIC OF VENEZUELA)
8:20PM VALÉ (Barangalle OCLOMBRO)
9:00PM Ruuex (Austin TI)
9:50PM Ximena Soto (Mosterrey MEXICO)
10:30PM soularreal (Manasabe BOLIWARIAN REPUBLIC OF VENEZUELA)
11:20PM MAGNA (Wedelin OCLOMBRA)
12:20AM La Cendejas (Hariso SPAN)
12:20AM La Cendejas (Hariso SPAN)
12:00AM La Cendejas (Hariso SPAN)

#### THE DRISKILL BAR & GRILL

Notorious Noise x The Luna Collective Ones To Watch
Watch
8:00PM Quelle Rox (Breeklyn KY)
8:50PM Lilla Forde (Los Angeles (Lo)
9:40PM Jame Minogue (Los Angeles (Lo)
10:30PM Sedona (Los Angeles (Lo)
11:20PM Fake Dad (Los Angeles (A)
12:00AM Revenge Wife (Brooklyn KY)

#### ELYSIUM

Sounds From Japan
8:00PM ASOBOISM (Yolchama JAPAN)
9:00PM tamanaramen (Tokyo JAPAN)
10:00PM Tokyo den nou (Tokyo JAPAN)
10:00PM Luv (Doko JAPAN)
12:00AM Metome XとX (Nagopa JAPAN)
10:00AM Paris death Hilton (Tokyo JAPAN)

#### EMPIRE CONTROL ROOM

Chopstars & Friends B:00PM H (Buy City TX) 8:15PM Lola Kinsey (Wyle TX) 8:30PM SUMIT (Norcester MA) 8:45PM Sin City Cairo (Los Angeles CA) 9.00PM Jubilee Valley (Dalso TX) 9:15PM Denzel Davis (San Bernardino GA) 9:30PM Adezy (Chester PA) 9:45PM Ace Park (Houston TX) 10:00PM Mar Keith Anthony (Los Angeles CA) 10:15PM TNE Jaypee (Beaumont TX) 10:30PM ZaeHD Little Rock GA) 10:45PM Fatzo (Richmond VO) 11:20PM Derrick Nealy (Atlanta GA) 1540PM SunniThaRapper (Houston TX) 11.55PM Zee The DJ (New Orleans LA) 12:15AM Ariel Chantel (Terrols TX) 12:35AM Hashi Senjoo (Dulos TX) 1:5AM The Chopstars (Houston TX)

#### FLAMINGO CANTINA

WOMEX

8:00PM Muri (Manta PHLIPPNES)
9:00PM Damaris Bojor (Hermaulla MEXEO)
10:00PM Jonathan Ferr (Ro De Janeiro BRAZIL)
11:00PM Steam Down (London III)
12:00AM Tesfaye Taye Gebeyehu / Yaho Ethiopian
Cultural Band (Mdds Ababa ETHIOPIA)
10:00AM Cruzioma (Nds SOUADOR)

#### HOTEL VEGAS

Dots Per Inch Music World Showcase

8:00PM Pedazo De Carne Con Ojo (Philadephia PA)

8:50PM Ivan Solis San Jaso (03TA RIDA)

9:40PM Taxidermists (Hudley NA)

0:30PM fantasy of a broken heart (Bushlyn M/)

11:35PM Amiture Music (New York NY)

12:40PM Special Guest

#### HOTEL VEGAS AT VOLSTEAD

Academy Fight Songs / Rough Trade Publishing
7:20PN Miranda and the Beat (New Orleans LA)
8:20PM SKORTS (Brooklyn NY)
9:20PM o'summer vacation (Nobe JAPAN)
10:20PM MX LONELY (Brooklyn NY)
11:20PM Glom (New York NY)
12:20AM Bummer Camp (New York NY)
12:20AM Bummer BaG (Ponoma CA)

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#### HOTEL VEGAS PATIO

Academy Fight Songs / Rough Trade Publishing 720PM J'euuzi (tustisTC) 8:10PM Strawberry Launch (New York NV) 9:00PM BLACKGOLD (UK) 9:50PM Maruja (Manchester UK) 11:30PM SWEET SPINE (Breenville 90) 12:30AM Sunflower Bean (Now York NY)

#### INTERNATIONAL NIGHTS AT RIVIAN PARK

SXSW Community Concert Series Free & Open to the Public at Brush Square Park | 409 E 5th St 7:00PM Sunna Margrét (Roykjavik ICELAND) 8:00PM Wynona Bleach (Bulliot UK) 9:00PM HEAL (Barcolona SPAIN) 10:00PM Holy Fuck (Nova Scotia NS)

#### LAMBERTS

SXSW at Lambert's BBQ 7:00PM Susobrino (Brussels BELGIUM) &DOPM The Cumbia Movement (Austin TX) 9:00PM Los Juanos (San Antonio TX) 10:00PM ¿Qiensave? (Salinas CA) 11:00PM Gio Chamba (Houston TX) 12:00AM Sultanes del Yonke (El Fasso TX) 1:00AM Volcan (San Antonio TX)

#### LAS PERLAS

8:00PM Grace Sorensen (Austin TX) 9:00PM VivaOla (Takyo JAPAN) 10:00PM Shobsy (Dublin RELAND) 11:00PM Teo Glacier (Auchland NEW ZEALANE) 12:00AM Carpetman Over UKRAIND 1:00AM The Beatbox Collective (Learnington Spa UK)

#### LEFTY'S BRICK BAR

EQ Austin SXSW Community Concert Series Free & Open to the Public 7:00PM Nakia & The Never Not Now (Austin TIO 8:00PM Love, Ella (Nyack NY) 9:00PM Shanik Hughes (Austri TX) 10:00PM Blakchyl (Austin T))

#### LOW DOWN LOUNGE

8:00PM PAL (Cleveland 0:-0) 9:00PM MELLT (Cardif UK) 10:00PM Monsoon (Athens GA) 11:00PM Gloin (Toronto ON) 12:00AM Glaze (Austin TX)

8:00PM The Waivers (Trividad FOS)

#### MALA FAMA Island Wave & Reggae Recipe Live!

9:00PM King Cruff (Kingston JAMACA) 9:30PM Big Zeeks (London UK) 10:05PM Krisirie (Barbados BARBADOS) 10:35PM XAV (Redoraugh ETII) 11:00PM Ras Kwame (Host) (London UK) 12:00AM Kalpee (Chaguanas CHV) 12-30AM NESTA (Dusons NO) 100AM Trop X Presents: Dutty Thursdays with DJ Shaggy Fowl, DJ Mista B, & Likkle Brown

#### MALA VIDA

Rancho Humilde TBA Oscar Maydon (Nexical BON) TBA Edicion Especial (Oulscan SN) TBA Adrian L Santos (Monterrey NLE) TBA Herencia De Patrones Mita OtyCAI TBA DJ Malechin (Los Angeles CA)

#### MARLOW

In The Room 8:00PM Elia Morosia PUERTO RICCI 9:00PM Kassidy (Toronto 0N) 10:00PM Zikai Stockholm SWEDEN 11:00PM Jona Camacho (bagad 00L0MBIA) 12:00AM KUČKA (PerthAUSTRALIA) 1:00AM FUDASCA (Roma ITALY)

#### MOHAWK INDOOR

Future Classic 9:00PM Stella Bridie (Mebourne AUSTRALIA) 9:00PM Dutch Interior Long Booch CN 10:00PM untitled (halo) (Los Anackos (A) 11:00PM Freak Slug (Marchester UK) 12:00AM Laurence Guy (London UK) 1:00AM Vv Pete (Bydney AUSTRALIA)

#### MOHAWK OUTDOOR

Mempho Presents: Bringing Memphis To Austin 7:30PM DJ Bizzle Bluebland (Morrphia TN) 8:00PM Lukah (Memphis TN) 9:05PM Cyrena Wages (Monuphis TN) 10:15PM Lucero (Nemphis T10) 12:15AM DJ Bizzle Bluebland (Norsobio TN)

#### BILLBOARD PRESENTS THE STAGE AT SXSW

Billboard 7:00PM Koe Wetzel (Pittsburgh TX) 7:00PM Ashley Cooke (Parkland FL)

#### PARISH

BMG's Label Showcase 8:00PM Pacific Avenue (Gerringong AUSTRALIA) 9:00PM Xavier Omar (Sar Antonio TX) 10:00PM Black Polish (Lou Argodos CA) 11:00PM Chace (Yancheng CHINA) 12:00AM Saint Blonde (Denton TX) 1:00AM Dope Lemon (Byran Bay AUSTRALIA)

#### ROZCO'S

KAZI 88.7 FM: From Texas With Love 7:00PM The KAZI Collective (Auran TX) 7:45PM The Deli (San Antonio TX) 8:10PM Scuttino (Dallos TX) 9:25PM Andre Taylor (Austin TX) 9:00PM Alesia Lani (Austin TX) 9:30PM Geto Gala (Austin TX) 955PM Bomani Ray Barton (Austin TX) 10:10PM Kydd Jones (Austin TX) 10:30PM Mama Duke (Austin TX) 10:55PM Young Deji (Houston LA) 11:20PM Anastasia Hera (Austin TX)

#### SAXON PUB

Pearl Snap Productions 8:00PM Taylor Rac (Austin TX) 9:00PM Kristen Foreman (Dererero LA) 10:00PM Carson Jeffrey (Sat Spring TX) 1100PM Slade Coulter (Lithrok TI) 12:00AM Jacob Stelly (Cologo Station TX) 100AM The Takes @artland 080

#### SEVEN GRAND

8:5PM Borderline (Auckland NEWZEALAND) 10:15PM Barb (Austin TX) 11:15PM Casey Lowery ChesterfoldUK 1215AM Betty Taylor Sandise Coast AUSTRALIA 135AM Dylan Flynn & The Dead Poets (Liverick City/RELAND)

#### SHANGRI-LA

Reeperbahn Festival 7:00PM Billianne (Wissol) 8:00PM Cloudy June (Burlin GERMANY) 9:00PM FILLY (Vienna AUSTRIA) 10:00PM Sofie Royer (Vienza AUSTRIA) 11:00PM Beth McCarthy (NorkUK)

#### SPEAKEASY

Everything RnB (Presented by DJ Ace) TBA Morgan Munroe London UK) TRAKarl Benjamin (London UK) TBA Lizzie Berchie (London UK) TRA Haile Lordon UKI TBA DEJA (Birminaham UK)

#### SPEAKEASY KABARET

Futuristic Femmes 8:00PM Melissa Bellz The DJ (Austri IX) 8:30PM Ki Storii (Bross W) 8.50PM Bigg Brattzz (Rohmond W.) 9:10PM Serenity Arce (Jupiter FL) 9:30PM Nae Aimèe (BurlingERMANY) 950PM Rich Nanni (MorraGA) 10:30PM Onlyheaven (New Orleans LA) 10:50PM Oya Baby (Marri FL) 11:10PM Stella Standingbear (Selt Lake Orly UT) 11:30PM Just Brittany (Houston TX) 11:50PM Nikki Natural (Velantz GA) 124DAM Cha' Keeta B (Anta TV) 12:30AM Lebra Jolie (Houston TX) 110AM K Carbon (Memphis TX)

#### ST DAVID'S HISTORIC SANCTUARY

7:00PM Her Skin (Bologaa (TALY) 8:00PM Dusted (Canning NS) 9:00PM Mountain Time (Austin TX) 10:00PM Steve Wynn (New York NY)

#### STEPHEN F'S BAR

7:00PM Mallory Hawk (Fayettaville ND) 8:00PM FernandoS (Sto Paulo BRAZIL) 9:00PM Nive Nielsen (Nack GREENLAND) 10:00PM Big Phony (New York NY) 11:00PM Die Heiterkeit Bede GERMANO

#### STURR'S

Mid Citizen 7:30PM Alexis & The Sanity (New Orleans LA) 8:00PM Pell (New Orleans LA) 8:30PM David Shaw (New Orleans LA) 9:5PM The Rumble Ft. Chief Joseph Boudreaux Jr. (New Orleans LA)

#### 10:05PM Big Freedia (New Orleans LA) 11:00PM Dawn Richard (New Orleans LA) TBA Kam Franklin (Houston TX)

#### SWAN DIVE

Women In Music Canada 8:00PM Moira & Claire (Halfax NS) 9.00PM Hanorah (Montréal 00) 10:00PM Alicia Clara Mentral DC 11:00PM Boniface (Wrmlong MR) 12:00AN Omega Mighty (Toronto 010 100AM Zamaera (Kusla Lumpur NALAYSIA)

#### SWAN DIVE PATIO

BreakOut West 8:15PM Bobby Dove (Wirnipeg MB) 9:15PM Burnstick (St. Claude ME) 10:15PM Merv xx Gotti (Regire SK) 11:15PM Kimmortal (Vancouver 80) 12:15AM Amos the Kid (Winnipeg NB) t/5AM Bob Sumner (Varcouver BC)

#### THE 13TH FLOOR

Don Giovanni Records 8:00PM Emily Frembgen (Brooklyn NY) 9.00PM Tami Hart Brokke 800 10:00PM Paisley Fields (Brooklyn MY) 11:00PM Ailbhe Reddy (Dubin RELAND) 12:00AN Mhaol (Dublin RELAND) 100AM LAKE (Olympia WA)

#### VALHALLA

Planetary Group 8:00PM Cari Cari (Venna AUSTRIA) 9:00PM Maz (Logan UT) 10:00PM Delivery (Melbourne AUSTRALIA) 11:00PM Kil (Copenhagen DENMARK) 12:00AM Personal Trainer (Amsterdam NETHERLANDS) 100AM Bakers Eddy (Willington NEW ZEALAND)

#### VAQUERO TAQUERO

CareFreeBlackGirl 7:00PM Mojoxojojo (Queera NY) 8:00FM Queenie Lasoul (Brooklyn (A) 8:20PM Tracei (Booa Raton FL) 8:40PM WilliE (Houston TX) 9.00PM Dyna Edyne (VismiFL) 9:20PM Fly Deff (Duccre NT) 9:40PM Kayanne Peppa (Philadolphia PA) 10:00PM Jaxs (Burgaw NG) 10:20PM QUANNA (Savarnah (IA)) 10:40PM Chioke (PhilaPA) 11:00PM Laila! (Repoblyo NV) 11:15PM DJ Rakimbeau New Orleans I Al 12:00AN FLWRSHRK (The Bronx NY)

#### THE VELVEETA ROOM

Music From Ineland 8:00PM Annie-Dog (Dublin RELAND) 9.00PM John Francis Flynn (Cubin RELAND) 10:00PM Soda Blonde (Dublin IRELAND) 11:00PM Cardinals (Cork RELAND) 12:00AM Gurriers (Dublin IRELAND) 100AN Really Good Time Dubin RELAND

#### ZILKER BREWING

The Loyalty Firm 7:00PM Exotic Fruitica (Austin TX) 8:00PM Murdocks (Austin 1X) 9:00PM Lauren Lakis (Austin TX) 10:00PM SoundMass @wdvIID

#### FRIDAY, MARCH 14

#### ANTONE'S

50th Anniversary Showcase 8:00PM CJ Chenier (Port Arthur TX) 9:00PM Suzanne Santo (Austin TX) 10:00PM John Primer (thicagoll) 11:00PM Ian Moore Band (Austin TX) 12:15AM The Rumble Ft. Chief Joseph Boudreaux Jr. (Now Orleans LA)

#### AUSTIN CITY LIMITS LIVE AT THE MOODY THEATER

Rolling Stone Future of Music 7:15PM Annabelle Kline (Los Angolos CA) 7:45PM AJ McOueen (Houston TIQ) B:35PM Samara Cyn (Murfresubero TN) 9:35PM Anycla (Marta 3A) 10:55PM Rema (Benin City ED)

#### BRITISH MUSIC EMBASSY @ PALM DOOR ON SIXTH

BBC Introducing 840PM Essii (London) MI 9:20PM Master Peace (London UK) 10:00PM CVC (Carclef UK)

#### BRITISH MUSIC EMBASSY @ PALM DOOR ON SIXTH PATIO

BBC Introducing B:00PM VITAL Powers (Welverhampton CA) 9:20PM DEJA (Birmingham UK) 10:40PM Beth McCarthy (York UK) 12:00AM Antony Szmierek (Vanchaster UK)

## CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

7:00PM Echo Collective (Brussels BELGIUM) 8:00PM Quiet Light (Dalas TX) 9.00PM Vines (Brooklyn NY) 10:00PM Twin Shadow (Los Angeles OA)

#### **CHESS CLUB**

8:00PM Last Waltzon (Montreal 00) 9:00PM STEEF (New Orleans LA) 10:00PM PAL (Cleveland CH) 11:00PM Paris death Hilton (Tokyo JAPAN) 12:00AM Monsoon (Athers 8A) 1:00AN J'cuuzi (Austin TX)

#### CONTINENTAL CLUB

Athens in Austin 8:00PM Jon Dee Graham & William Harries Graham (Austin TX) 8:45PM Call Me Spinster Chattanooga TN0 9.30PM Susto Stringband (Autoville NO) 10:20PM The Pink Stones (Athora BA) IMSPM Emily Nenni (Nashville TN) 12:15AM CDSM (Affanta 6A) EOOAN Molecular Steve (Austin TX)

#### COOPER'S BBQ

8:00PM Sierra Spirit (Tubes (IK) 9:00PM Dylan Flynn & The Dead Poets (Limerick Oty RELAND) 10:00PM Kimmi Bitter (Sun Disato CA) 11:00PM Lila Forde (Los Appeles CA) 12:00/M Amos the Kid (Mineipeg NB) 100AN Taylor Rae (Austin DX)

#### THE CREEK AND THE CAVE

Core DJs: House Of Convict by Shade 45
800PMT Clayton Subrus Springs TX
815PM Keylo Tha Gawd (Houston TX)
830PM 1st Lady of The Streets (Houston TX)
845PM OVL Big Feddy (Ridnigh NX)
900PM La' Rixkie God (Nam Otterna LA)
910PM Slam Roc (Dary IN)
925PM Stelly (BasenRouge LA)
935PM Jay Cyres (Nav Otterna LA)
935PM Baby Sam (Houston TX)
10:35PM SHEESH (Ribart IN)
10:36PM SHEESH (Ribart IN)

## THE CRYSTAL ROOM @ THE DRISKILL

8:00PM fuvk (Austin TX)
9:00PM Ny Oh (Burings NEW ZEALAND)
10:00PM Allbhe Reddy (Dabin IRELAND)
10:00PM Moira & Claire Helfax NS)
12:00AM Lucy Sugerman (Garberta AUSTRALIA)
10:0AM 7te (Tabes (by TANANO)

#### THE DRISKILL BAR & GRILL

8:00PM Caroline Hale (San Antonio TX) 9:00PM Finn Forster (Middlesbrough UK) 10:00PM Candi Jenkins (Lechypon KY) 11:00PM Gold Star (Los Angeles CA) 12:00AM JD Clayton (Tort Smith AF) 10:00AM Mills (Sowing Bresn KY)

#### **ELYSIUM**

Friends From The East Festival 8:00PM Suichu Spica (Tokyo JPAN) 9:00PM miso808 (ShanghaidHNA) 10:00PM JOSEON (Jos Angelos (A) 10:00PM Runyu Qian (Bajing CHNA) 12:00PM XAMIYA (Tokyo JPAN) 10:0AM PSYCHIC FEVER (Tokyo JPAN)

#### EMPIRE CONTROL ROOM

Smartpunk Records
715PM Ashes to Amber (Grange GA)
800PM MX LONELY (Brooklyn MY)
848PM Cashler (Latypette LA)
930PM Her New Knife (Philadelphin RA)
10:15PM bulletsbetweentongues (Benton TX)
11:00PM SWEET SPINE (Granafile SX)

#### EMPIRE GARAGE

Smartpunk Records
7:45PM Sir Echo (Izamed NY)
8:30PM Teens in Trouble (Raleigh NO)
9:15PM Suck Brick Kid Disads FD)
10:00PM Ways Away Cos Ingeles CA)
10:00PM The Dreaded Laramic (Rashells TM)
11:45PM Debt Neglector (Chinde FD)

#### FLAMINGO CANTINA

TBA Los Gran Reyes (Dallas TX)
TBA Volcan (San Antonis TX)
TBA Variantes del ritmo (Austin TX)

#### HOTEL VEGAS

Space Agency
7:00PM SKLOSS (Austin TX)
8:00PM Native Sun (Brooklyn MY)
9:00PM Acid Baby Jesus (Advant GREEDE)
10:00PM Meltheads (Artwerp BELGNM)
11:00PM Taleen Kali (Los Argeles DA)
2:00AM Tremours (Los Angeles DA)
1:00AM Delivery (Malburne AUSTRALIA)

#### HOTEL VEGAS AT VOLSTEAD

Space Agency
7:00PM Alicia Clara (Mentrei 00)
7:50PM Wax Owls (Los Ageles 0A)
8:40PM The Crooked Rugs (Fort Colles 00)
9:30PM Alix Fernz (Mentrei 03)
10:20PM JaRon Marshall (Austir TX)
11:00PM Loverman (Busels BELGUM)
12:00PM Amiture Music (NewYork MY)
12:50AM Yoo Doo Right (Montrei) (1)

#### HOTEL VEGAS PATIO

Space Agency
745PM Sons Of Sevilla (Featherstone LIC)
800PM Worn-Tin Feat, Freak Nature Puppets (Los
Angeles CA)
845PM Tagua Tagua (Sio-Pado SRAZIL)
930PN All Unitaria BUONESIW
80:5PM Cari Cari (Rierma AUSTEIA)
11:00PM Population II (Mortred IC)
11:45PM Frankie and the Witch Fingers

#### INTERNATIONAL NIGHTS AT RIVIAN PARK

(Leo Angoleo CA)

SXSW Community Concert Series
Free & Open to the Publica t
Brush Square Park | 1009 Edit St
7:00PM Ander (Tappi Cay TMMAN)
8:00PM MADELEINE (CondentUR)
9:00PM MADELEINE (CondentUR)
10:00PM The Courettes (Valong DENMAR)

#### LAMBERTS

SXSW at Lambert's BBQ
800PM Madison Hughes (luckomille R)
900PM Angel White (For North D)
10:00PM West Texas Exiles Austra D)
10:00PM Pat Reedy (Sheap D)
10:00M Liquid Hips (Austra D)
10:00M The Red Eye Gamblers (Austra D)

#### LAS PERLAS

8:00PM Rowena Wise (Mebeume AUSTRALIA) 9:00PM Sofia Grant (London UK) 10:00PM Red Stamp (Bercelora SPAM) 12:00AM Frankie Venter (Mount Mangarai MENTERALAND)

#### 1:00AM Stella Bridie (Mellourie AUSTRALIA) LEFTY'S BRICK BAR

LatinATX
SXSW Community Concert Series
Free & Open to the Public
7:00PM Illuvii (Austin TX)
8:00PM Adrián Activo (Austin TX)
9:00PM The Tiarras (Austin TX)
DOODPM Chicoseffic (Austin TX)

#### LOW DOWN LOUNGE

@:00PM Baths (Lin Angelos (A))
9:00PM Miranda and the Beat (New Chisans LA)
10:00PM Go Cactus (Haina SPNN)
10:00PM Marry Cherry (Austin TX)
12:00AM Revenge Wife (Brooklyn NY)

#### MALA FAMA

Need Pastel TBA 5. slow (Austin TX) TBA Kane Rodriguez (Houston TX)

#### MARLOW

RnB Forever
8:00PM DJ Mario X Prins(Los Angeles GA)
8:30PM Lilly Massie (Alendale M.)
8:50PM Jazlyn Martin (Los Angeles GA)
9:50PM Journey Montana (Barlon MY)
9:35PM Zyah Belle (Males GA)
10:45PM TA THOMAS (Hollands MK)
11:20PM Shae Universe (FortHarcourt NGCRM)
12:00MM Bryan-Michael Cox (Marri FL)
10:00MM Ella Ella (Matri TX)

#### MOHAWK INDOOR

BrooklynVegan 8:15PM Bobby Dove (Winipeg MB) 9:15PM Dusted (Winipeg MB) 10:15PM Living Hour (Winipeg MB) 11:15PM Bon Enfant (Westerd OZ)

#### MOHAWK OUTDOOR

BrooklynVegan

8:00PM fantasy of a broken heart(BrooklynW)

8:50PM mary in the junkyard(London UK)

9:40PM La Sécurité(Mentmal00)

10:30PM Maruja (Macheste UK)

18:30PM Voxtrot(Austri TI)

12:30AM Wand (Lon Augella CA)

#### BILLBOARD PRESENTS THE STAGE AT SXSW

Billboard 7:00PM Grupo Frontera (Edinberg TX) 7:00PM Majo Aguilar (Mexico City VEX)

#### PARISH

9:00PM PUNCHING BAG (Pernora CA) 9:40PM ALT BLK ERA (Nottingham UK) 10:25PM Duckweth (Los Augules CA) 10:25PM BLK ODYSSY (Palinfald TX) 11:45PM JD Cliffe (Losefon UK)

#### ROZCO'S

Jump On it

1:00PM Deejay Ezy(Nairobi30)

8:00PM Da'Shade Moonbeam (Austin Ti)

8:15PM Midas Well (PertAether TX)

9:10PM Luh Ceo (Warten NS)

9:45PM JKing The Hybrid (New York NY)

10:00PM Quin NFN (Nastin TX)

10:45PM Lil Zac The Dj (Judius TX)

10:45PM Big Jade (Beautreet TX)

18:55PM NOOK Turner (Nastin TX)

#### SAXON PUB

8:00FM Chrysalis (Nathwile TN)
9:00FM Frail Talk (Fort Cellins 0.0)
10:00FM Judy Blank (Utreeth NETHERLANDS)
10:00FM ARS UNIVERSAL (Not Not Not Netherland Nathur)
10:00AM Palmyra (Referenced Nathur)
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10:00PM sunnbrella (Prague 0ZECHIA)
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Equal x Source Audio

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9:00PM Elephant Kind (Jakarta NDENESIA)

10:00PM Me Nd Adam (Austin TX)

10:00PM Mobley (Austin TX)

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10:00PM Angelo Moore & the Brand New Step (San Fausico TX)

#### SPEAKEASY KABARET

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9:00PM KUČKA (Forth AUSTRALIA)

10:00PM GEOGRAPHER (Sun Francisco CA)

10:00PM Winnie Ama (Beltar UK)

12:00AM Boo Seeka (Dudy AUSTRALIA)

10:00AM Chace (Yandhar (HINA)

#### ST DAVID'S HISTORIC SANCTUARY

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#### STEPHEN F'S BAR

Sleepy Cat Records
7:00PM T. Gold Oardwe M3
7:50PM Lonnie Wallker (Rakigh M3)
8:40PM Skylar Gudasz (Durham M3)
9:30PM Blue Cactus (Steph HB M3)
10:20PM Little Mazarn (Auslin TX)
11:10PM SunSp.t (Burham M3)

#### STUBBS

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#### SWAN DIVE

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#### SWAN DIVE PATIO

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#### THE 13TH FLOOR

8:30PM SUSS (New York NV)
9:30PM Immersion (Brighton UI)
10:30PM Nanocluster (Immersion | SUSS) (Brighton UI)
11:30PM Water Damage (Austria TX)
12:30AM Holy Fuck (Nova Section NS)

#### VALHALLA

Chicken Ranch Records
6:40PM Kettle of Hawks (Carpintoria CA)
7:30PM Yes Sir, No Sir. (Audin IX)
8:20PM Ribongia (Grand Beich MURTHUS)
9:20PM Mr. Lewis & The Funeral 5 (Audin IX)
10:20PM Night Drive (Audin IX)
11:20PM Caleb De Casper (Audin IX)
12:20AM Five Eight (Athens CA)
12:20AM Peelander-Z (Audin IX)

#### VAQUERO TAQUERO

Vinitious Records
800PM babas tutsipop (Buschlagar MEXICO)
900PM Paula Prieto (Buscos Airos ARGENTINA)
10:00PM Vanessa Zamora Sian Diego GA
11:00PM Vanita Leo (San Artanio TX)
12:00AM Damaris Bojor (Horrenio MEXICO)
10:00AM Los Eclipses (Mexico Ut, MEXICO)
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#### THE VELVEETA ROOM

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#### ZILKER BREWING

UTOPIA Sessions
720PN The Jaws of Brooklyn (Seattle WA)
820PM Cotton Mather (Applin TX)
920PM Mhaol (October REAM)
10-20PM Kill (Sepanhagen ERMARK)
11:20PM Sly5thAve (Applin TX)

#### **SATURDAY, MARCH 15**

#### ANTONE'S

Lafayette Sheauxkaze

800PM ŒUVAL (LafayetteLA)

900PM The Holiday Playgirls (LafayetteLA)

10:00PM Nathan & the Zydeco Cha Chas (LafayetteLA)

13:0PM Zach Edwards & The Medicine (LafayetteLA)

12:30AM JaRon Marshall (Justel D)

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#### BRITISH MUSIC EMBASSY @ PALM DOOR ON SIXTH

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#### BRITISH MUSIC EMBASSY @ PALM DOOR ON SIXTH PATIO

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#### CONTINENTAL CLUB

8:00PM Harvest Thieves (Austin TX) 8:00PM Texas String Assembly (Austin TX) 10:00PM Kimmi Bitter (San Depton) 10:00PM Candi Jenkins (Leington KY) 12:00AM South Austin Jug Band (Austin TX)

#### COOPER'S BBQ

TBA Gummy Fang (Austin TX)
TBA Coldwave (Adelaide AUSTRALIA)

#### **ELYSIUM**

Art Decade Creatives Austin Heavy Hitters
8:00PM Exotic Fruitica (Austin TX)
9:00PM Glass Mansions (Austin TX)
10:00PM J'ouuzi (Austin TX)
10:00PM Urban Heat (Austin TX)
2:00AM Night Ritualz @nAnterio TX)
10:00AM Cold Body Club (Austin TX)

#### EMPIRE CONTROL ROOM

Smartpunk Records
7/15PM Reconciller (Atlanta GA)
800PM Hans Gruber and the Die Hards (Aussin TX)
845PM Working Class Stiffs (Wagara falla M\*)
930PM Escape from the ZOO (Houston TX)
10:15PM The OBGMs (Houston ON)
1415PM DIRECT HIT (Whombox M)

#### EMPIRE GARAGE

Smartpunk Records
7:00PM Sly Withers (Peth AUSTRALIA)
8:30PM The Courettes (Auborg (DRMARK)
9:15PM Flagman (Orleads R)
10:00PM Skating Polly (Tacama WA)
0:45PM Gully Boys (MarcapolaiM)
12:30AM Frankie and the Witch Fingers (Los Angeles OA)

#### FLAMINGO CANTINA

Nerdcore

BOPM MC Frontalot (Barkeley CA)

830PM Swell Rell (Targa RL)

900PM Mikal kHill (Charleste ND)

915PM Tribe One (Matta GA)

930PM Dual Core (Austa TX)

955PM LEX the Lexicon Artist (Taipat TAINAN)

10:25PM Mark Cooper (Burst NI)

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11.20PM Shubzilla x Bill Beats (Scottle WA) 115:0PM EyeQ (Dulled TX) 12:20AM FrivolousShara (Srand Rapids MI) 12:50AM Shao Dow (London UK) 12:0AM Kadesh Flow (Karasa Cky MO)

#### HOTEL VEGAS

Trash Casual + Bar/None +
Our Wicked Lady
7.00PM Nara's Room (Brooklyn Nf)
8.00PM Two-Man Giant Squid (Brooklyn Nf)
9.00PM Open Head (Bagszon Nf)
10.00PM My Son The Doctor (Brooklyn Nf)
11.00PM Emperor X (Bricolow Fishenhoord GEFN Nff)
12.00PM Little Hag (Nabury Park Nf)

#### HOTEL VEGAS AT VOLSTEAD

Trash Casual + Bar/None +
Our Wicked Lady
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815PM Sean Kiely (Jersey Oby NJ)
915PM Dead Gowns (Portland)
10:5PM Matching Outfits (Berlin (SEMANE)
11:5PM Perennial (Hutfield (T)
12:15AM Cathedral Ceilings Passalo NJ)
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#### HOTEL VEGAS PATIO

9:00PM Sweeping Promises (Lawrence KS) 11:00PM Holy Fuck (New Social KS) 12:00AM The Egyptian Lover Los Augules CA)

#### INTERNATIONAL NIGHTS AT RIVIAN PARK

SXSW Community Concert Series
Free& Open to the Public at
Brush Square Park I 409 E 5th St
700PM Bakers Eddy (Nellington NEW ZEALANTO
8:00PM Rialto (LondenUK)
9:00PM TBA
10:00PM Carpetman (KeV USRAME)

#### LAMBERTS

SXSW at Lambert's BBQ 8:00PM White Woolly (Losioville RY) 9:00PM PES (Irre PRRI) 0:00PM Sons Of Sevilla (Fostborctore UK) 11:00PM All (Jaborta INDONESIA) 12:15AM El Universo (Nextoo City (MEXICO)

#### LAS PERLAS

8:00PM Eterno Scroll (Austin TX)
9:00PM El Culto Casero (Asunción PARAGUAN)
10:00PM Blood Club (Phicago L)
10:00PM Rudy De Anda (Okongo L)
12:00AM Jean Paul Medroa (LaMoina PERU)
10:00AM Iluvii (Austin TX)

#### LEFTY'S BRICK BAR

Global Primestage SXSW Community Concert Series Free & Opento the Public 7.00PM funk (Public TX) 9.00PM Wave Rowanne (Public TX) 9.00PM Faaris (Public TX) 10.00PM Anastasia Hera (Public TX)

#### LOW DOWN LOUNGE

8:00PM Nervous (Austri TX) 9:00PM TEII A VISION (Berlin GERMANY) 10:00PM Mass Minor (Austri TX) 10:00PM Flight by Nothing (Austri TX) 12:00AM Metome XEX (Nagyra JARAN)

#### MARLOW

Jim-E-O Presents: NYAK Sessions
powered by Sampilette
8:00PM DJ Mixmaster Brown & The Water Side
Band (Nigoris HOEFRIA)
8:30PM Jim-E-O (Austri TI)
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9:30PM OTM D-Roy (Cardon IA)
9:30PM Lil Billy Indianapole IN
9:50PM JoAnZ & B3E (Bookfard IL)
10:10PM Holland Izz Dompte (A)
10:36PM Ben Flournoy (Outer)
11:55PM Darius Martin (Los Angeles OA)
11:55PM Just Brittany (Houston ID)
12:15AM DJ Mixmaster Brown & The Water Side
Band (Nigoris HOEFRIA)

#### MOHAWK INDOOR

Very Necessary: ATL 2 ATX
BD0PM Mason Flynt (Austin TX)
B25PM J Soulija (Austin TX)
B40PN The Teeta (Austin TX)
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B55PM KNDRX (Denser CX)
B10PM Wiarrdon (Austin TX)
B30PN Enzo McFly (Houston TX)
B50PN Mike Mellinoe (Austin TX)
D50PM Mike Mellinoe (Austin TX)
D50PM Sauve (Pastin TX)
D50PM Kai Ca\$h (How York TX)
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#### MOHAWK OUTDOOR

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830PM Ave Grim (Invertio)
850PM YOS#! (YOSHI) (GneirratioH)
950PM Sushi2Raw & Elway HoustonTX)
950PM bdifferent (Atlanta (A)
1050PM Doeman (Houston TX)
1050PM Wacotron (Mee TX)
150PM AJ McQueen (Houston TX)
1200AM Scotty ATL (Atlanta (A)
1215AM Bun B (Houston TX)
1500AM OG Ron C (Houston TX)

#### BILLBOARD PRESENTS THE STAGE AT SXSW

Billboard 7:00PM John Summit (Dhisago IL)

#### SAXON PUB

8:00PM Bob Sumner (Vansouver BC)
9:00PM JD Clayton (Fert Smith AR)
10:00PM Brennan Wedl (Vastrylle TN)
11:00PM Paisley Fields (Redwin NY)
12:00AM Pug Johnson (Resument TO)
10:00AM Harlis Sweetwater (Vanage County CN)

#### SEVEN GRAND

EODAM SXSW DJs (Austin TX)
ESOAM Willgood (Amerile TX)
TBA KAVVI (Austin TX)
TBA La Cassandra (Vew York NY)
TBA Hayden Bagot (Austin TX)
TBA FLAKO STIK (Austin TX)

#### SHANGRI-LA

College Of Hip Hop Knowledge: The Dean's List II
8:30PM Meddah (Vestin TX)
8:45PM Levi Deadman (Heuston TX)
9:30PM Mista Mozes (Austin TX)
9:35PM Spy MC Sen Interior TX)
9:35PM DIE SLO (Nestin TX)
9:55PM SpaceGoonz (Austin TX)
10:20PM A\$h Da Hunter (Phonis AZ)
11:55PM College of Hip Hop Knowledge (Austin TX)
11:50PM Def-ic Shipresk TNO

#### SPEAKEASY

Puerto Rico: Rising Artists
800PM Mean Grey Cat Sar Juan PUERTO RICO:
9:00PM Tanicha Lopez (Sar Juan PUERTO RICO)
11:00PM Epilogio Sar Juan PUERTO RICO;
12:00AM Gyanma + Duo Deleite
1:00AM VEI HABACHE Sar Juan PUERTO RICO;

#### SPEAKEASY KABARET

12:15AM Tone Royal (San Antonio TX)

BOOPM Skateland (Austin TX)
9:00PM Cortney Dixon (South Shidds UK)
10:00PM Foliage (SortBernadico CA)
11:00PM Betty Taylor (Bernhin Canal AUSTRALIA)
12:00AM Soda Blonde (Buthin BELAND)
10:00AM Hachiku (McDeama AUSTRALIA)

#### STUBB'S

11:00PM **ZHU** (Los Angoles (IA)

#### SWAN DIVE

The Color Agent
BOOPM Ashley Whitfield (Secrements CA)
B15PM GeexCella (Jacksonnille FL)
B40PM 1:18 (Baten Rouge LA)
B40PM Mai Anna (Jackson NY)
B40PM BFF (Flix NY)
D40PM JET THE 3RD (Houston TX)
D45PM Supermen4sty (Jakas TX)
H40PM Autumn Nicholas (Erystaville NX)
H45PM Shelby Ruger (Houston TX)
12:30AM Quentin (Austin TX)

#### SWAN DIVE PATIO

8:15PM Black Polish (Los Argeles CA) 9:15PM Pelvis Wrestley (Austin IX) 10:15PM Benét (Rooklyn IX) 11:15PM youbet (Benoklyn IX) 12:15AM haha Laughing (Austin IX) 11:15AM Barb (Austin IX)

#### THE 13TH FLOOR

Green Witch Recordings and Pop Sickle 800PM Makeout Reef Lee Argeles CA) 855PM Lauren Lakis (Austri TD) 956PM Marry Cherry (Austri TD) 10:45PM Bleary Eyed (Philoshiphia PA) 11:40PM La Sécurité (Martra (CD) 2:40AM Archer Oh (Moron Valley Ch) 130AM Agent 007" (Austri TD)

#### VALHALLA

8:00PM LUMBEROB (Brecklyn MY)
9:00PM shishi (Winks UTHUMM)
10:00PM Jad Fair and the Placebos (Austin TA)
10:00PM Dogs on Shady Lane (Providence RI)
2:00AM Bubba Lucky (Austin TA)
10:0AM STEEF (New Observe LA)

#### VAQUERO TAQUERO

La Buena Onda

8:00PM Heavuhh (Houston TX)

8:10PM Loreana (Minni FL)

8:30PM Sam Sage (Puston Rice PR)

8:50PM xBValentine (Designtown TX)

9:10PM Vintage Jay (Rustin TX)

9:40PM Adrián Activo (Austin TX)

10:40PM Short Life (Metterrey MEXICO)

10:40PM Sussie Pussy (Austin TX)

18:30PM Hierba Malita (Houston TX)

12:30AM EDDY (Baramento DA)

12:30AM DJ Ortiz (Houston TX)

13:30AM Ella Ella (Austin TX)

#### THE VELVEETA ROOM

& OOPM The Tiarras (Audin TX)

& OOPM Nature TV (Brighton UK)

10:00PM Joan & The Giants (Porth AUSTRAUA)

##OOPM Saint Blonde (Denton TX)

##OOPM Saint Blonde (Denton TX)

##OOPM The VANNS (Welcomporty AUSTRAUA)

##OOMM Elephant Kind (Adda to MOONESIA)

#### ZILKER BREWING

UTOPIA Sessions
7:20PM Benji Hughes and Jon Lindsay (Charlotte NO)
8:20PM Thelonious Love (Heaster TX)
9:20PM Jennifer Foster and The Audacity (Austin TX)
10:20PM DEADMAN (Leithart TX)
11:20PM Pacific Avenue (Gerrigong ALSTRALIA)

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## **MUSIC**



# 35 SXSW Music Acts the Chronicle Recommends

From rock to new age to Irish traditional, these are the incoming artists to see

Over a thousand musicians from across the globe descend on Austin this week to perform for a slew of music fans and industry professionals alike. In a way, the official SXSW stamp of approval should be enough to convince you of every name's merits, but all festival veterans know - there's just too much to see. From buzzy UK indie bands to Indonesian fusion acts and Italian electro-jazz singers, this curated list names 35 musical acts the Chronicle music team has highlighted in our own SXSW schedules. Watch out for acts slated to perform at midnight or later, as they're listed here with the following day's date, matching the SXSW schedule (even though the showcase will have started the day prior).

## **Ace Park**

MONDAY 10, 10:20PM, **VAQUERO TAQUERO** THURSDAY 13, 9:45PM, EMPIRE CONTROL ROOM

Partially named after his local South Park, H-town rapper Ace Park crafts melodic, old-school hip-hop. Citing fellow Southern royalty like Lil Wayne and Curren\$y in the same breath as Compton's Kendrick, whose nasally voice Ace slightly resembles, the MC taps hometown locales ("DEAR HOUSTON") and inner turmoil ("Going Through It") in his poetry. Following 2021 debut Call a Spade a Spade, the artist last teamed with Mi\$fit Chris for the 2023 joint EP Mi\$fits in the Park.

- CARYS ANDERSON

#### Ali

THURSDAY 13, 1:20AM, LAS PERLAS

**SATURDAY 15, 11PM, LAMBERTS** 

Last March, a band from Indonesia made the 10,000-mile trek to SXSW with clay instruments mostly intact and stole the show. Lair thus primed the pump for this landing. Psychfunk trio Ali arrives somewhere between the Western twang of Colombian SX breakouts Balthys and the Sixties spy mojo of Dutch-Turkish ravers Altın Gün. Frontman/bassist Arswandaru sings in Arabic while guitarist Absar Lebeh wails sizzling Middle Eastern mysticism, and John Paul beats it all home. Beg them for 2023's Malaka after the show.

-RAOUL HERNANDEZ

## **Amiture Music**

THURSDAY 13. 11:50PM. HOTEL VEGAS

The influence of New York creative Barbara Ess' experimental melodies and shadowy photographs is evident on the murky, exploratory soundscape Amiture Music creates. The Brooklyn-founded guartet had its genesis as a solo project by frontman Jack Whitescarver in 2018. Since then, it's metamorphosed into different forms, with the project taking shape at SXSW 2024 as duo Amiture, led by Whitescarver and guitarist Coco Goupil. Latest 2024 release Mother Engine's rugged, guitar-led avant-garde mood contrasts 2021 debut album The Beach's synth-soaked, hazy club ether.

- CATALINA PEREZ

## **Anycia**

FRIDAY 14, 9:35PM, ACL LIVE AT THE MOODY THEATER

Anycia appears at SXSW courtesy of Rolling Stone. whose Future of Music showcase has brought big names like Fave Webster and Peso Pluma to Austin in recent years. The booking makes sense. The Atlanta trap artist dropped her debut full-length PRINCESS POP THAT - featuring fellow ATL favorite Latto, Luh Tyler, Cash Cobain, and KARRAHBOOO - and guested on songs by Emotional Oranges and Flo Milli in a monumental 2024. Catch her at ACL Live before she headlines the Moody Center someday soon. -CARYS ANDERSON

### **Arsun**

FRIDAY 14, 11PM, SAXON PUB

Arsun Sorrenti consciously revels in the vintage sounds of his native New York City, with last year's head-turning debut LP Babe I Hear Thunder in Your Heart managing to hang heavy on the Sixties anchors of Lou Reed and Bob Dylan with a dash of Scott Walker croon. The 24-year-old comes by the suave throwback aesthetic honestly, his family rife with fashion photographers including father Mario Sorrenti, Yet Arsun continues to evolve his own distinct sound from the brew of influences with an intoxicating allure and a raw dark edge twisted into his earnest romanticism. - DOUG FREEMAN

## **ASOBOISM**

THURSDAY 13, 1:10AM, CUATRO GATO THURSDAY 13, 8PM, ELYSIUM

Yokohama-born singer-songwriter, rapper, and producer ASOBOiSM slips between Japanese and English in her music, which places a seasoned hip-hop flow over deceptively pleasant J-pop hooks. Case in point, a trilling piano melody carries popular single "TOTSUKA," which nears a million Spotify streams, while "Whateva," which appears on the same 2020 album OOTD, plays more like a heartfelt love song. The artist's latest effort, glitchy Our Shame collab "Snow in Osaka." arrived in September. - CARYS ANDERSON





## **BLACK FONDU**

THURSDAY 13, 3PM, RADIO DAY STAGE AT RIVIAN PARK

THURSDAY 13. 10PM, BRITISH MUSIC EMBASSY @ PALM DOOR ON SIXTH FRIDAY 14, 9:20PM, SWAN DIVE PATIO

Maybe I've got an American grass-is-greener mindset, but there's always seemed to be more genre crossover in the UK music scene than here in the famously compartmentalized States. Take 21-year-old Ghana-born, London-based artist BLACK FONDU, for example, whose experiments in grime have earned him opening slots for English post-punks Shame and techno-punk group Fat Dog - though Detroit rap crew HiTech and NOLA punks Special Interest are also fans. The young artist's accent peeks through the glitchy electronic sounds in "ANOTHER DOMESTIC" and "SB1 3." currently his only streamable songs. Perhaps these SXSW shows will bring style agnosticism across the pond. -CARYS ANDERSON

## blood club

WEDNESDAY 12. 8PM. ELYSIUM SATURDAY 15, 10PM, LAS PERLAS

blood club marries darkwave synths and dispassionate vocals, immersing listeners in a tenebrous, lovelorn haze. Without having any music written, vocalist Jesse Flores, guitarist Jorge Calderon. and bassist Daniel Vela booked their first show ever in 2022. Now three years later, the Windy City trio's haunting disposition fosters a home for alt Latinos, delivering bilingual lyricism in a post-punk aural envelope. Latest single "fall for me" finds hopelessness clinging onto Flores' lips as they spill yearning, heartsick contemplations against a moody but danceable guitar riff and propulsive - CATALINA PEREZ drumset beat.

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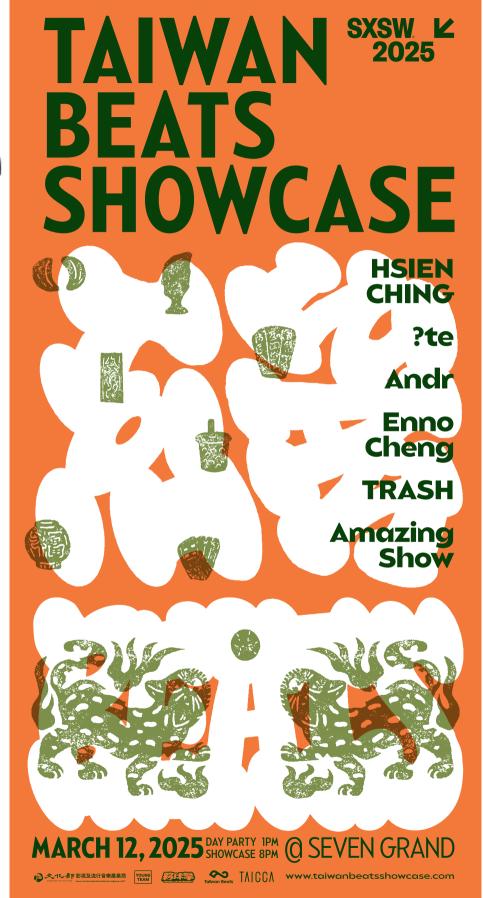




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**ESSENTIAL ACTS CONTINUED** 

## Brennan Wedl 🚕



THURSDAY 13, 12:20PM, VALHALLA THURSDAY 13, 10PM. **CONTINENTAL CLUB** SATURDAY 15, 10PM, SAXON PUB

I love the way Brennan Wedl sings the titular word in her latest single, "Heartland." Along with a minor finger-picked chord, it punctuates every verse with a twang that doesn't quite sing, but instead feels a little flat, a little off. Unvarnished voices have always been a calling card of music, country or otherwise - from George Jones to Bruce Springsteen. who the Nashville singer-songwriter cites as an influence on this track. Other recent singles - like the electric "Scorpio," released via legendary DIY label Kill Rock Stars - signal Wedl's equal love for indie rock. The alt-country renaissance continues.

- CARYS ANDERSON



## **Cardinals**

TUESDAY 11. 11:10PM. ANTONE'S THURSDAY 13, 11PM, THE VELVEETA ROOM

With a Cork, Ireland pedigree and a post-punk Bandcamp tag, it'd be easy to compare Cardinals to Fontaines D.C. But even counting Dublin City's favorite breakouts' stadium-ready latest LP Romance, the analogy doesn't work. Cardinals sling much more approachable alt-rock than Fontaines' brooding soundscapes. Sirius XMU discovery "Twist and Turn" opens with a melodic bassline and ghostly guitar accents, sure, but where Grian Chatten raps and groans. Euan Manning sings like an accentless crooner, and single "Unreal" chimes with a sing-along chorus. Their sonics may differ, but expect this fivepiece to chart a similar trajectory after SXSW. - CARYS ANDERSON

## **DAP the Contract**

THURSDAY 13, 11PM, **COCONUT CLUB ROOFTOP** 

DAP the Contract has been grinding for years. A classically trained pianist beginning at age 4, the Afrobeat artist - born in Lagos, based in New York - dropped the acclaimed mixtage Goodbye for Never in 2014. The next year, after winning a competition produced by Converse, he found himself in the studio (Abbey Road, to be exact) with Mark Ronson. Now with nine self-produced solo projects under his belt, DAP continues to make vibey hip-hop, from the vibrant energy of October single "Fàáji" to the more low-key atmospherics of last month's "iron sight," featuring Raytheboffin, Tim Lyre, and Iver Rivers. - CARYS ANDERSON

## **Daniela Pes**

TUESDAY 11, 7PM, INTERNATIONAL NIGHTS AT RIVIAN PARK

WEDNESDAY 12, 9PM, **CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH** 

Hailing from Gallura on the Italian island of Sardinia, Daniela Pes doesn't easily fit under any umbrella. Trained to sing jazz but enamored of atmospheric electronic pop, the award-winning singer and songwriter doesn't conform to anyone's expectations on her 2023 debut SPIRA. Creamy swathes of synthesizers frame minimalist beats and her aching soprano, beds on which the elegant melodies rest. Sitting somewhere between Portishead (whose Beth Gibbons Pes sometimes resembles) and a church service hosted by Giorgio Moroder, Pes' music will be right at home in the warm acoustics of Central Presbyterian's much-beloved musical sanctuary.

- MICHAEL TOLAND

## **Dead Gowns**

WEDNESDAY 12, 11PM. THE CRYSTAL ROOM @ THE DRISKILL **SATURDAY 15, 9:15PM,** HOTEL VEGAS AT VOLSTEAD

The freshly released debut LP from Dead Gowns, It's Summer, I Love You, and I'm Surrounded by Snow, broils with both intimacy and aggressiveness. Genevieve Beaudoin's voice carries a longing that can unfold delicately in reflection, or howl restlessly with desire, as her songs tune eclectically through patiently strummed indie folk and driving electric riffs. The album floats with tentative edge, as if it could evaporate or explode at any moment, but throughout, the Maine musician pulls poetic moments from small details and daydreams, spinning them into a greater tapestry that transforms her want into growth and self-realization. - DOUG FREEMAN

## **DOPE LEMON**

FRIDAY 14, 1AM, PARISH

This SX, DOPE LEMON brings sunshine, salt, and surf to Austin. The Australian artist born Angus Stone debuted the moniker with Honey Bones in 2016, creating easy listening music across three more LPs since. With soft and introspective guitar melodies, the laid-back "Kids Fallin' in Love" captures the all-consuming feeling of infatuation in a slow, warm Sunday afternoon kind of way. The songwriter brings the same energy throughout 2022's Rose Pink Cadillac, making it perfect to listen to while lounging beside Barton Springs or driving down Congress on a sunny day with the windows down. - ANGELINA LIU

## **Dutch Interior**

WEDNESDAY 12, 12AM. THE 13TH FLOOR

THURSDAY 13. 2:35PM. VALHALLA THURSDAY 13, 9PM, MOHAWK INDOOR

Dutch Interior knows how to illustrate prosaic malaise. In the latest singles off the Los Angeles band's upcoming album, Moneyball, their twostep-friendly rhythm and compellingly plaintive vocals are electrified by Zeppelin-esque riffs and marching band drums. "Fourth Street," a deceptively optimistic song about tedium and loneliness, ends with a melodious cacophony of guitar, keys, and distortion that brings home the lyrics' pent-up feeling. Anything but Blinded by Fame, to play on their last album's title. Dutch Interior's pending release - out March 21 - promises an expansion of their sonic palette, tapping into louder colors and bolder expression. Catch a sneak peek while you can. - CAROLINE DREW

## fantasy of a broken heart

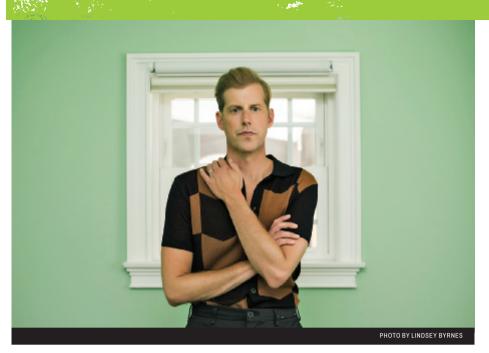
THURSDAY 13, 10:10PM, HOTEL VEGAS

When not touring with alt-pop breakouts Water From Your Eyes and This Is Lorelei, Al Nardo and Bailey Wollowitz write their own lush compositions. expertly layering vocal harmonies and strings atop indie guitar with the aplomb of two seasoned working musicians, 2024's Feats of Engineering mostly sparkles like a well-crafted pop album, but a hint of welcome weirdness bubbles underneath - from Nardo's gruff vocals in "Ur Heart Stops" to the noise freakout at the end of the otherwise easygoing "AFV." "All I really wanted was a little sensation," the duo croons in the latter track. These meticulous compositions offer just enough.

- CARYS ANDERSON



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## ANDREW McMAHON IS REUNITING JACK'S MANNEQUIN AND FIGHTING TICKET **SCALPERS**

WEDNESDAY 12, 4PM, AUSTIN CONVENTION CENTER, BALLROOM EF (SESSION) WEDNESDAY 12, 5:15PM, AUSTIN CONVENTION CENTER, ROOM 10C (BOOK SIGNING) WEDNESDAY 12, 9:30PM, STUBB'S (JACK'S MANNEQUIN PERFORMANCE)

2005 was a notable year for 22, going on 23-year-old Andrew McMahon. In March of that year, his new project, Jack's Mannequin, was set in motion at SXSW. In June, he was diagnosed with acute lymphoblastic leukemia. And in August, Jack's Mannequin's debut album, Everything in Transit, was released.

After his sister Katie stepped in as a stem cell donor, the former Something Corporate lead singer underwent surgery and returned to the stage that December. The Californiabased group went on to release two more albums, The Glass Passenger and People and Things, before disbanding in 2012 as the frontman went on to pursue a solo project, Andrew McMahon in the Wilderness.

As Everything in Transit nears its 20th anniversary, McMahon calls the album a seminal moment, personally and creatively.

"I think the initial phase of being in both Something Corporate and Jack's Mannequin was this really frenetic, beautiful, sort of dream-coming-true moment," he says. "[This album] represented a willingness to take a huge risk, which I think was something

that I needed in my life at that point."

He continues, "I had such a sense of purpose around the music that became Everything in Transit, and then a lot of that was steered by my personal circumstances in my life and this need to feel independence. ... It left me feeling this sense of empowerment and excitement, and it really helped me develop a style in the studio and on the stage that was powered by all of these external [and] personal forces."

In celebration of Everything in Transit turning 10 years old, Jack's Mannequin reunited in 2015 and performed the album in full at a small run of shows before disappearing again. Now, as the record hits another milestone, the reconnected band has launched the MFEO Tour, which extends through November.

Although named after a track from their debut, McMahon says the trek will offer fans a full picture of Jack's Mannequin's original eight-year run. The same goes for the singer himself, who says much of the glory of the band's early days was caught up in his cancer diagnosis.

"When I was well enough to get on tour. we were going at it, like, 100 miles an hour. So the significance in these moments is that I kind of get a second chance at really enjoying what it means to have written these songs." he savs.

Ten years removed from Jack's Mannequin's first reunion tour, McMahon adds, "I think there's just a much greater sense of peace and appreciation around this particular outing that maybe wasn't so much attached to the 2015 run of shows."

The band's SXSW appearance falls in a gap between MFEO's headlining tour dates. On returning to the festival. McMahon says: "[It] feels kind of fated in a way. The Jack's project really launched out of South by Southwest ... I was the frontman coming from Something Corporate and I was really hellbent on the idea that I wanted the music to be able to stand on its own two feet."

Excited to get "back in the van," he says, referring to the band's early years touring by way of a 15-passenger vehicle, the artist adds: "To be able to get a little flavor of that as we're starting this journey towards playing bigger rooms and festivals over the year, it feels right .... There's a lot of Jack's Mannequin history in South By, so when the offer came through, it just felt like the absolute right thing to kick off this year of shows."

Aside from performances with Jack's Mannequin, the musician will also speak at a SXSW featured session about the ongoing issue of skyrocketing concert ticket prices. On the "despicable" act of price gouging, he declares, "I think it's the worst kind of greed. What they're doing is they're leveraging relationships that, in my mind, are sacred, which is this bond that artists and fans share with each other. And it pollutes the medium when all of a sudden somebody has to make a decision to buy a concert ticket against maybe paying for something that is essential in their life." (After the session, McMahon heads from Ballroom EF to Convention Center Room 10C to sign copies of his 2021 memoir, Three Pianos.)

Ticket affordability at McMahon's shows is crucial, he explains. He believes that his shows are meant to be enjoyed by everybody, regardless of their socioeconomic status. Suggesting that Congress should make ticket inflation and scalping illegal, McMahon highlights the importance of other prominent artists joining the fight. He offers, "I think if we had the Taylors [Swift] of the world step up and say, 'I want to see legislation around this, I don't want my fans to pay any more for these tickets than I'm charging,' I think the needle would move, and it would move quickly." - CATALINA PEREZ



#### March 12th: Wednesday 2-8pm

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2pm: Jimmy Joe Natoli

2:35: Jim Patton & Sherry Brokus

3:15: JM Stevens & Nichole Wagner

3:55: Beaver Nelson

4:45: The Last limenez

5:35: Raina Rose

6:25: Blue Water Highway

7:10: Nathan Hamilton

#### March (3th: Thursday: 2-8pm

House of Songs Presents: ATX-FLO Alliance

2pm-5pm

2:00 PM: Troy Campbell (ATX)

2:15 PM: Janie Bird Price (Italy)

2:45 PM: Jane Leo (ATX)

3:30 PM: Giulia Millanta (Italy)

4:00 PM Andrea Parodi (Italy)

4:25 PM: Baby Said (Italy)

### **Clockright Studios Presents:**

5-8 pm

5:00 PM: Kat Berry

5:50 PM: Microscopic Telescope

6:40 PM: Mike Webb & the Sp8ders

7:35 PM: Mulch Cult

#### March 14th: Friday: 2-9pm

The Bubble Studio's

2025 Unofficial SXSW Showcase

2:00: Jam Now

2:35: Grandma Mousey

3:10: Blake Brown & the American Dust Choir

3:45: The Klinks

4:20: INOHA

5:00: Blush Fantasy

5:35: Brian Wolff & the Howlers

6:10: Souls Extolled

6:50: KNETX

7:30: The Unlimited Stars

8:20: Municipal Bats

#### March 15th: Saturday: 2-9pm SXSC

2:00: Chelsea Beech

2:45: Clif Confident

3:30: The Surrealtors 4:30: The Jaws of Brooklyn

5:30: The Cajon Bros

7:00: Maryanna Sokol

8:00: Galvezton

#### March 16th: Sunday: 2-6pm

SXSouthCongress Sunday Sessions

2:00 PM: Sherita Perez

2:05 PM: Tyson Webb's Outlaw Boogie

2:30 PM: Matt Giles

3:00 PM: Darci Carlson

3:30 PM: Courtney Santana

4:00 PM: Taylor Nauta

4:30 PM: Anna Maria Rosalas

5:00 PM: Gus Miller

5:30 PM: dem roots

## **Fashion Club**

WEDNESDAY 12, 11PM, CHESS CLUB

The gothic vocals and rich post-punk textures of 2022 debut Scrutiny offered an easy introduction to Fashion Club, the solo project of Moaning bassist Pascal Stevenson, but the LP didn't fully clue us into the artist's breadth of musical interests. In a way, October follow-up A Love You Cannot Shake feels like a do-over. Strings and synths dominate this electronic album, Stevenson's first release since her gender transition. Avant-pop master Perfume Genius guests on brooding ballad "Forget." while Stevenson pitches up indie rocker Jay Som's vocals like a hyperpop chipmunk in the glitchy "Ghost." In life and in music, the project reminds us, there's always more to explore. - CARYS ANDERSON

## Freak Slug

WEDNESDAY 12, 9:20PM BRITISH MUSIC ÉMBASSY @ PALM DOOR ON SIXTH PATIO

THURSDAY 13, 11PM, MOHAWK INDOOR

Two distinct sounds define Manchester-born artist Freak Slug. In one, she pairs a unique mix of indie guitar and soft drums with dreamy, introspective vocals to create songs like "Radio" and "Care." In tracks like "Liquorice" and "Spells," meanwhile, Xenya Genovese assumes an unapologetic and punchy persona, pulsing bass driving taunts like "I know you miss me when I'm not around." Entering the music scene in 2019 with a slowed and synthesized cover of Joy Division's "Disorder," Freak Slug's music follows a similar vein best displayed on last year's I Blow Out Big Candles, a bratty mix of exasperation and mischievousness. - ANGELINA LIU





## **Her New Knife**

THURSDAY 13, 12AM, CHESS CLUB FRIDAY 14, 9:30PM, EMPIRE CONTROL ROOM

Philadelphia shoegazers Her New Knife envelop listeners in a haze of distortion and melancholic melodies. Their latest EP, chrome is lullaby, showcases the band's dirty, sparkly allure. Intense tracks like "kittyriff" and "purepurepure" mix a lo-fi hum with industrial textures, while "vitamin beauty" offers a more melodic, bubblegrunge sound. The quartet is sure to deliver a genre-spanning performance throughout Austin this week - personally, I can't wait to get pushed around during the gritty, barely-hanging-on "12r," and stare into the distance and think about lost love to "douglasland.v1." - KYRA BRUCE

## Honeyglaze

TUESDAY 11, 2:20PM, RADIO DAY STAGE AT RIVIAN PARK

TUESDAY 11, 11:20PM, SEVEN GRAND THURSDAY 13. 1:05PM. VALHALLA

THURSDAY 13, 10PM, CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

**SATURDAY 15, 2:40PM, BRITISH MUSIC EMBASSY @** PALM DOOR ON SIXTH PATIO

Based on the seething 2024 single "Don't" - which begins with a cool, rolling rhythm and vocalist Anouska Sokolow's spoken word list of demands to an inconsiderate partner before building to a noisy conclusion - I expected Honeyglaze to follow in a long line of saucy woman-fronted UK bands. Yet, listening to the rest of 2024's Real Deal, I'd compare this trio to the Last Dinner Party over Wet Leg. Most of the time, Sokolow sings prim and proper, and fits intricate, pretty guitar arpeggios into Tim Curtis' melodic basslines. These Fat Possum signees offer a crash course in indie rock dynamics. - CARYS ANDERSON

## Jazz Re:freshed **Outernational**

WEDNESDAY 12, 7:30PM. THE VELVEETA ROOM

Preserving a tradition for discerning SX-goers, London label Jazz Re:freshed returns to SXSW for its seventh multicultural party. Singer Sofia Grant sets the scene with mellifluous jazz pop from EP Extinction, while Oreglo melds jazz, funk, and hiphop into a savory instrumental stew. Sun Daughter MADELEINE offers a blend of nu-iazz and progressive electro, and producer corto.alto bends bytes like Aphex Twin on a Chick Corea bender. Summer Pearl sings funky soul with a jazzwise sensibility, while INSXGHT plays mellow jazz in a soul/pop wrapper. As always, the Jazz Re:freshed DJs spin between sets. - MICHAEL TOLAND

## **John Francis Flynn**

TUESDAY 11, 10PM, THE VELVEETA ROOM WEDNESDAY 12, 10PM. ST. DAVID'S HISTORIC SANCTUARY THURSDAY 13. 9PM. THE VELVEETA ROOM FRIDAY 14, 10PM, SWAN DIVE

Traditional Irish folk music may serve as the foundation for John Francis Flynn's vision, but the Dublin multi-instrumentalist transforms it into an experimental, evocative experience. On last year's sophomore LP, Look Over the Wall, See the Sky, Flynn creates a palimpsest of old-time standards by layering unexpected atmospheric tones that tell a contemporary story of his country. The tunes can turn dark and unsettling behind industrial drone sounds, or wash in a whirlwind of psychedelic city sounds that overrun their familiar tin whistle reels, while Flynn's voice anchors the maelstrom, crooning beautifully haunting ballads.

- DOUG FREEMAN

## Maruja

WEDNESDAY 12. 10PM. BRITISH MUSIC **EMBASSY @ PALM DOOR ON SIXTH** THURSDAY 13, 9:50PM, HOTEL VEGAS PATIO

Bowie would've dug Maruja. Blackstar's post-jazz divinity flickered across a musical universe banging contemporarily in the UK. Madchester guitarist/singer Harry Wilkinson and bassist Matt Buonaccorsi met at university more than a decade ago and fell in with alto saxist Joe Carroll and now-drummer Jacob Haves, Debuting domestically March 1 in Seattle. they arrive on the heels of last month's single "Aon," building, skronking, screaming follow-up to 2024 EP Connla's Well, a thrilling chapter of post-punk free verse and Maruja's longest release yet. "For us, everything comes out of improvisation," they told Balkanrock in December. - RAOUL HERNANDEZ

### Mhaol

FRIDAY 14, 12AM, THE 13TH FLOOR FRIDAY 14. 9:20PM. ZILKER BREWING

"Bored of Men," "Bisexual Anxiety," "Period Sex" the song titles on Mhaol's 2023 debut *Attachment* Styles suggest a certain type of sensational, tonguein-cheek feminism, but amid the (still enjoyable) snark, the Irish post-punks deliver some disquieting revelations, "I don't always wanna be the bigger person," singer-drummer Constance Keane sighs in "Nice Guys," a send-up of faux male benevolence. Last year's "Pursuit" signals more growth. Abandoning her quirky persona, the vocalist builds from a coo to cry as she narrates her street-walking paranoia: "I thought the shoes that I'm wearing would help me run away from you." - CARYS ANDERSON

## The OBGMs

**TUESDAY 11, 1AM, SWAN DIVE** WEDNESDAY 12, 10PM, **SWAN DIVE PATIO** FRIDAY 14. 1AM. CHESS CLUB SATURDAY 15. 10:15PM. EMPIRE CONTROL ROOM

2020's The Ends, which at turns rumbles with towering bass ("Outsah") and sails on sing-along group vocals ("All My Friends"), got Toronto punks the OBGMs shortlisted for the Canadian Polaris Music Prize. Mixed with impeccable sheen, 2024 follow-up SORRY, IT'S OVER puts the band's perfected mix of melodies and aggression on full display. Simon Outhit's guitar crunches front and center in single "GET UP," overpowered only by Densil McFarlane's vocals - it feels like the vocalist is ripping his throat to shreds right in front of you. Shows with PUP, Alexisonfire, and Death from Above co-sign the self-proclaimed "Best live band. Period." - CARYS ANDERSON

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## AIKO PACKS A POP-FUELED PUNCH

MONDAY 10, 8PM, INTERNATIONAL NIGHTS AT RIVIAN PARK TUESDAY 11, 10PM, SPEAKEASY SATURDAY 15, 12AM, SHANGRI-LA

Dark pop songstress Aiko wants you to put yourself on a pedestal.

Born in Moscow and raised in the Czech Republic, Alena Shirmanova-Kostebelova began making music under the moniker Aiko in 2018. Over the course of four albums, the performer has cultivated a fierce, alternative sound with her nontraditional pop melodies and her penchant for zippy electronic grooves ("Funny feeling") and heavier, rock-fueled riffs ("Funeral").

"I think my music sort of evolves with me," shares the Moscow-born artist over Zoom, instantly recognizable with her signature microbangs and blue highlights. "I think the more I exist within the creative sphere, the more I find myself."

Inner-love and self-respect are common themes within the musician's daring discography. Whether she's preaching about putting herself first in "Parade" ("Well, I loved you dear, but I prefer to love me") or rejecting a suitor's advances in "Everything is always about me" ("I don't need a savior"), Aiko wants to remind listeners to be bold.

"When you put [on] your headphones, you sort of feel like the main character and you're strutting down the street," she explains. "That's the imagery that I have when I think of someone listening to my music."

Within the last year, the Brighton-based singer had a song featured in Netflix's Spanish drama *Elite*, went on her first European headlining tour, and released her fourth studio album, *AIKONIC*. During the pandemic, she took part in Spotify's EQUAL Campaign,

meant to highlight women and nonbinary artists, and became the first Czech musician to appear on Times Square screens.

"I'm still a bit gutted because I couldn't see it with my own eyes," recalls the 25-year-old entertainer. "I remember waking up and checking livestreams of cameras in Times Square [to see] if [it was] actually happening, and it was."

Sitting at the top of her accomplishments is when the singer represented the Czech Republic at the 2024 Eurovision Song Contest with high-octane self-love anthem "Pedestal." The silver lining of a nasty breakup, the track simmers with maximalist pop production and commanding vocals ("I will be loving me more/ I finally learned not to force things/ And I love me more").

"I've gone through a lot of situations and things in my life where I had to find and earn the confidence [in] myself," says the singer-songwriter. "It's something that I'm willing and want to give back to people and sort of spread around me."

Aiko placed 11th in the competition and garnered an abundance of exposure; the Eurovision version of "Pedestal" has amassed over 5 million streams on Spotify. More than streaming numbers, the pop starlet says she's been met with unwavering gratitude from fans for her empowering message.

"I'm trying to create something that is original and coming from within me," she explains.
"It's just as important to me that listeners can connect to the music and find a piece of themselves in it."

- MIRANDA GARZA









#### **ESSENTIAL ACTS** CONTINUED

## **PvPv**

#### WEDNESDAY 12, 12AM, SWAN DIVE

Ten years after debuting with Pagan Day, whose penultimate track "She's Gone" somehow made its way into an Yves Saint Laurent fashion show. Montreal garage punks PyPy returned in October with Sacred Times, an LP - naturally - featuring a cheeky response track, "She's Back." To drive home its futuristic upgrade, guitarist Roy Vucino loses the chugging fuzz for a lighter, staccato approach, though co-vocalist Annie-Claude Deschênes chirps along like no time has passed. Punchy rhythms and a goofball ethos pepper this high-energy comeback. - carys anderson

### **Shallowater**

WEDNESDAY 12, 11PM, LOW DOWN LOUNGE

SUNDAY 16, 12AM, CHESS CLUB

Based in Houston but named after a small town in Lubbock County, self-described "West Texas dirtgaze" trio Shallowater soundtracks life after the dust bowl with melancholy slowcore occasionally shocked to life with scorching post-hardcore. 2023 debut There Is a Well begins with those desolate soundscapes - croaking vocals lead delicate opening combo "Birdshot" and "Angels," and a mathy guitar line carries "Spin Me to Sleep" - but centerpiece "Nice Things" crashes in with a quick hit of distortion. Band of Horses aren't the only band on this year's SX bill with a song called "Laredo." - CARYS ANDERSON

## Shiho Yabuki

WEDNESDAY 12, 7PM, CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

New Age music isn't generally known for its improvisers, but Shiho Yabuki proves the exception. The classically trained keyboardist first composed spontaneously at age 5 and kept up the practice once she acquired synthesizers, helping pioneer the concept of healing music. An early star on the innovative New Age label Hearts of Space with her 1987 debut The Body Is a Message of the Universe. Yabuki continues to soothe and beguile on a long series of ambient releases. Her latest album When Two Rivers Meet contains free improvisations with former Mott the Hoople keyboardist and early electrotraveler Morgan Fisher. - MICHAEL TOLAND

## **Skating Polly**

SATURDAY 15, 10PM, EMPIRE GARAGE

Oklahoma City-born stepsisters Kelli Mayo and Peyton Bighorse - plus Kelli's brother Kurtis, the drums to her bass and Peyton's guitar - follow in a long line of kinderwhores, infusing Nineties grunge with squeaky, feminine vocals. Since forming as kids in 2009, the trio has amassed quite a high-profile following, from Exene Cervenka and Brad Wood, who have produced Skating Polly's albums, to Babes in Toyland, who have taken the band on tour. Still, as they sing on 2023's "Baby on My Birthday," Skating Polly's Southern origins offer a unique twist on the genre: "You don't know how it feels to be part of a 10-piece hillbilly family."

- CARYS ANDERSON

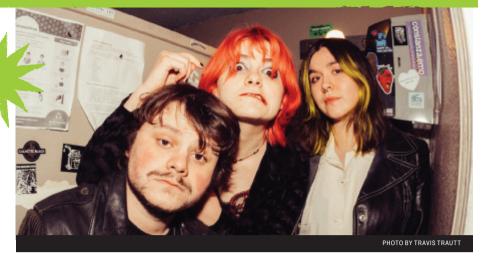
## **Sophie Castillo**

WEDNESDAY 12, 10PM, ROZCO'S

SX's sponsoring mag Rolling Stone staged a Future of Music installation last fest inside ACL Live at the Moody, popping off Latin superstars including J Noa, Young Miko, and Peso Pluma. London soul shimmy Sophie Castillo could kick off such a stacking, her smooth bilingual come hither both cool and sultry on a cluster of singles since 2020. "So la diosa, mas sabrosa," she coos on "Diosa," as delish as she promises. Sade for a Latinx paradigm. - RAOUL HERNANDEZ







## The Thing

WEDNESDAY 12, 11PM, ELYSIUM **SUNDAY 16. 1AM. HOTEL VEGAS** 

The Thing - perhaps it goes without saying - is tongue in cheek. They've got the full NYC rock & roll package, from their haircuts to their lyrical stylings, which alternate between fetching directives and self-deprecative stories told in couplet. Catchy guitar riffs and danceable drum fills pull the guartet into the story of rock, from the Kinks to Cage the Elephant, Pumped with boyhood adrenaline and analog vigor, their songs deliver a punch deliciously received in person. A the Thing show is a seriously good time. - CAROLINE DREW

## **Tommy Newport**

WEDNESDAY 12. 10PM. ANTONE'S

With a falsetto-driven indie pop rhythm, Tommy Newport rides a dreamy synth wave all the way to SXSW. Born in Manchester, England, and raised in Wichita, Kansas, Newport made his debut in 2018 with Just to Be Ironic. His music, showcased in tracks like "Tangerine" and "Sunset for the Dead," blends looping bass, soft drums, and catchy riffs to craft stories of infatuation, the good life, and the complex dualities of relationships, all wrapped in his signature vibrant sound. - ANGELINA LIU

## untitled (halo)

TUESDAY 11. 4:20PM. RADIO DAY STAGE AT RIVIAN PARK THURSDAY 13, 10PM, MOHAWK INDOOR

From their nebulous name to their artsy social media presence, a certain enigmatic quality emanates from untitled (halo). The Los Angeles-based quartet, who opened for beloved second wave shoegazers DIIV last year, craft brooding bedroom dream pop: their muted November EP. decidedly not a headbanger, utilizes trip-hoppy, MBVindebted beats ("sKill isSue," "that's honey") and moody guitar lines ("blunt subconscious," "emo is good") to propel boy-girl harmonies like "Time is never on my side/ And if I'm in your thighs/I think I'd rather die." - CARYS ANDERSON

## **VENUS GRRRLS**

WEDNESDAY 12, 12AM, LAS PERLAS

WEDNESDAY 12, 11:50PM. MOHAWK INDOOR

THURSDAY 13, 4PM, BRITISH MUSIC EMBASSY @ PALM DOOR ON SIXTH

SATURDAY 15, 10:40PM, **BRITISH MUSIC EMBASSY @** PALM DOOR ON SIXTH PATIO

Your Hex Girl prayers have been answered with witchy Leeds grunge quintet VENUS GRRRLS. Modern alternative edge stirs within the band's incessant flood of guttural riffs and breakneck drums as lead singer Grace Kelly's powerhouse vocals show no mercy. Bass-heavy and brazen, the group's latest single "Darla" packs a goth rock punch with a menacing, momentum-building rhythm. Fresh off of a sold-out UK headline tour, the coven from across the pond is a must-watch if you're looking to get your international rock fix. - MIRANDA GARZA

## **YHWH Nailgun**

SATURDAY 15, 1:20AM, SWAN **DIVE PATIO** 

Fans of David Lynch's industrial sound design – or even local Font frontman Thom Waddill's pained vocals - will enjoy YHWH Nailgun, an experimental fourpiece from (where else?) New York City. Quick-hit drums propel the band's 2022 self-titled EP, where Zack Borzone gasps out abstract imagery and Jack Tobias' synths go whomp and whee. More recent singles, like "Sickle Walk" and "Penetrator," keep up the unnerving energy with more bustling percussion and screeching sound samples. You know these guys have a delectably strange live show.

- CARYS ANDERSON

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# **Unofficial Shows** and Day Parties

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A different type of March Madness descends upon Austin once more - and you don't need a badge or wristband to ball out! Here's a curated selection of the ample free shows taking place during SXSW.

Catch locals Die Spitz at the Marshall Day Party on Wednesday

#### **Kerrville Folk Festival Showcase**

SATURDAY, 1PM, RADIO COFFEE & BEER

Shinyribs (solo), Anastasia Hera, Creekbed Carter Hogan, Somebody Someone, Grady Philip Drugg, Scott Strickland, Grace Rowland

## **SXSW Community Concert at Lady Bird Lake**

SUNDAY, 3PM, AUDITORIUM SHORES

Sir Woman, Geto Gala, Lesly Reynaga, Pedal Steel Noah

## **KOOP Radio Day Party**

SUNDAY, NOON. BATCH CRAFT BEER + KOLACHES

Outside: Calico Sky (5:30), Moving Panoramas (4:45), LCLS (4:00), the Whale (3:15), Nathan Felix (2:40). Thor Harris. Jonathan Horne. & Jeff Piwonka (2:05), Clone (1:30), P.T. Banks (12:55), Hostile Shapes (12:20), 9 Cycles Cool Kids (noon)

Inside: Randall Holt (5:00), JD Clark (4:00), Shane (3:05), Dax Martinez-Vargas (2:00), Feeling Small (1:15), Frozen Orange (12:30)

#### **TX Queer Country Club House**

MONDAY, 6PM, CHEER UP CHARLIES

LG & the Supersoaker Sisters, She Returns From War, Paisley Fields, Rock Bottom String Band, Side Saddles, Bae Price

## No Sleep No Hunger

MONDAY, 4PM, HOLE IN THE WALL

Television Overdose, J. Graves, Holy Wire, Brennan Wedl, Grim Streaker, nara's room, Quinn the Brain, Sundog, the Dutch Kills, Half Dream, Avery Friedman, Big Girl, Fetch Tiger, Great Howl, Guardian Singles, the Answers, Female Gallery

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## **Psychedelic Plants Clash 3**

TUESDAY, NOON, THE 13TH FLOOR

Sound Mass, My Son the Doctor, the Holy Temple, Semihelix, DJ Mysterypills, Kevin Curtin (host)

### Howdy Gals & YAWN present Barn Burner

TUESDAY, 8:45PM, SAGEBRUSH

Farmer's Wife (midnight), Good Looks (11:00), Magic Rockers of Texas (10:15), Glaze (9:30), Variety (8:45)

## **BMI Howdy Texas**

TUESDAY, 1PM, STILL AUSTIN

Mikky & the Doom (9:00), Travis Roberts (8:00), Anastasia Hera (7:00), Sunny Sauceda (6:00), KAZIMI (5:00). Rodell Duff (4:00). Travis Bolt (3:00), Sydney Wright (2:00), Smooth Nature (1:00)

### SoCo Stomp Day 1

WEDNESDAY, NOON, C-BOY'S

Outside: Money Chicha (6:15), Peterson Brothers Band (4:45), Tomar & the FCs (3:30), Kelly Willis (2:15), Greyhounds (1:00)

Inside: Will Johnson & Wire Mountain (6:30), Bonnie Whitmore (5:15), the Jaws of Brooklyn (4:00), Caroline Hale (2:45), Mother Neff (1:30)

#### Friendship Is Beautiful

WEDNESDAY, 12:30PM. CHEER UP CHARLIES

Outside: Radio Free Alice (5:30), YHWH Nailgun (4:30). La Sécurité (3:30). Delovd Elze (2:30). Shallowater (1:30), terraplana (12:30)

Inside: Dutch Interior (5:00), Youbet (4:00), Dead Gowns (3:00). Madame Gandhi (2:00). untitled (halo) (1:00)

#### **Sonic Guild Love Your Music Fest**

WEDNESDAY, NOON. GSD&M ADVERTISING

BLK ODYSSY, Foxtales, Good Field, Grocery Bag, Sayang, SKATELAND, the Point

## **Soup by Soup Fest**

WEDNESDAY, 2PM, GUERO'S

Nathan Hamilton (7:10), Blue Water Highway (6:25), Raina Rose (5:35), the Last Jimenez (4:45), Beaver Nelson (3:55), JM Stevens & Nichole Wagner (3:15), Jim Patton & Sherry Brokus (2:35), Jimmy Joe Natoli (2:00)

## **Marshall Day Party**

WEDNESDAY, NOON, MOHAWK

Fleshwater, Die Spitz, Maruja, Wishy, Urban Heat, JaRon Marshall, Freak Slug, Los Eclipses, Gen & the Degenerates, the Molotovs, Benét, Mujeres Podridas, fawn, Luke Tyler Shelton, Queer Vinyl Collective

#### **Tommy Fest**

WEDNESDAY, 8PM, SAGEBRUSH

Jason Scott & the High Heat (12:30am), Theo Lawrence (11:45), Emily Nenni (10:30), Willi Carlisle (9:15), Kassi Valazza (8:00)



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Big Girl High Waisted Naras Room

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FRIDAY March 14 1PM ANNUAL YARD DOG PARTY, SINCE '96

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SUNDAY March 16 SUNDAY BEST 4PM

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# Go Off the Grid for **Unofficial Queer Fun**

Austin offers tourists and locals alike queer parties outside the South by Southwest mainframe BY JAMES SCOTT

While recent years have brought the LGBTQ community into the official South by Southwest programming fold, the queer instinct is to go our own way - off the mainstream grid set out for us. Usually that vibe calls to mind Hackers (1995) in outfits and attitude, but this year I propose we disengage from all tech-y tidbits by going analog for our connections. That's right, y'all: Real shows, real parties, no digi-dances or microchip dips. We're not so much "hacking" the SXSW mainframe as busting out entirely. It's real Neo and Trinity seeing the sun hours, okay? These events are no-badge-required, with a few freebies and several ticketed. Whether you want DJ beats, country twang, or looks served, Austin queers have got ya covered.

## Girls Gays & **Theys Queer Artist Showcase**

FRIDAY 7, 9PM, CHEER UP CHARLIES

Best feature of SXSW? All the out-of-state friends that come through! Returning for their annual pilgrimage, Los Angeles-based party Girls Gays & Theys throws a ground-shaking showcase featuring performances by Emski, Barb, and Arya, plus locally sourced star DJ BabiBoi behind the decks. Limited free RSVPs are available, but after they're gone, you can snag either a presale \$10 online ticket via girlsgaystheysla.com or drop \$15 at the door.

## Queerest **Spring Break**

FRIDAY 7 - SATURDAY 8, **FULL CIRCLE BAR** 

Go back to a time before anyone knew the term "cryptocurrency" - well, anyone cool that is - at this Nineties-inspired live music moment featuring a lineup curated by "booking for queers, by queers" group Queer Musicians ATX. Not only will you hear vibe-setter performances by FEA, Autumn Cymone, and J Graves, but local drag artists and underground DJs enhance the boot-stompin' scenery. Individual day tickets run \$10 each, with no refunds as weather will not stop this event.

## **Yeehaw for Abortion**

SATURDAY 8. 3PM. **FUTURE FRONT HOUSE** 

Jane's Due Process, which helps young people access critical reproductive resources, throws a repro-rodeo featuring a live DJ, free food, tons of resources & support, a youth advocate panel, and info on fighting legislative attacks on body autonomy. Queer Musicians ATX partners up with JDP to provide the tunes. RSVP for free through janesdueprocess.org.

## The 24 Carrot Show

SATURDAY 8, 7:30PM. CHEER UP CHARLIES

Fou Fou Ha! Austin - the Lone Star branch of this boundary-breaking clown troupe - carries forth their carrot-centric religion into their unofficial SXSW debut. Join the ritual with drag hosts Lucy Lonestar and Baldie Loxx as your guides to the powerful playground of drag, burlesque, and interactive audience games the Fou Fou Has put on. Pre-sale tickets run 15 carrots - wait, sorry, I mean \$15. Find 'em on Eventbrite via the foufouha.net.





**Drag Storytime with Brigitte Bandit** 

## **Annual Family Dragtivity Day**

SUNDAY 9, NOON, CHEER UP CHARLIES

Yes, yes: There's fun rainbow stuff for kids this weekend, too! Drag queen Brigitte Bandit hosts a day of all-ages activities including storytime, drag performances, vendor pop-ups, and more. A glance at the event partners Drag Story Hour, the Little Gay Shop, and venue Cheer Ups promises a high-quality queer time that guardians and kiddos are sure to enjoy. Snag your free RSVP via thelittlegayshop.com.

## **TX Queer Country Club House**

**MONDAY 10, 6PM, CHEER UP CHARLIES** 

For those just joining the ATX scene - or homebody locals not in the know - DJ Boi Orbison's event org Neon Rainbows specializes in queer country fun. This unofficial SXSW show is no exception, with acts like Paisley Fields and LG & the Supersoaker Sisters boot-scootin' their way through. RSVP for free at neonrainbowstx.com/ tgcc and ride 'em, cowpoke!

## **Neko Rave**

TUESDAY 11, 5:30PM, GNAR BAR

Party person extraordinaire Universalmadnes, aka Haus of Madnes, aka Dani, invites all to join in a meow-trageous rave experience. Sets from anime spinners Whokilledxix and mall-emo styled Suicidal-Idol headline above tons of other talents, including local hero ScamLikely and drag host Xoy. On theme, \$3 of every \$20 presale or \$25 day-of ticket goes to the Austin Pets Alive! animal shelter. Afterparty fun hits at second location Saturn featuring live performances from Austin faves Natalie Lepore, Vertarias, Boy Sim, and many more. Expect a \$10-15 sliding-scale cover and yes: These tickets also benefit APA!

## The Bigger in Texas Ball

THURSDAY 13, 9PM, CHEER UP CHARLIES

Central Texas ballroom is bigger than ever, in part thanks to this event's presenter House of Lepore. A great place to catch your first ball or your millionth, the Lepores pay tribute to Texan women with categories themed around icons like Selena, Beyoncé, Erykah Badu, and the Legendary Natalie Lepore - who's also the night's emcee. Cover charge is a \$10 donation.



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# The Best of "Best of Austin"

WHAT TO SEE AND DO WHILE YOU'RE IN TOWN

Sure, you've got your hands busy with SXSW programming. But you don't want to go home without sampling some of the places and things that make Austin so special.

So what's not to miss? Why not ask our readers?

Since 1990, Austin Chronicle readers have voted annually in our Best of Austin Awards, naming their favorites in an eclectic, ever-changing ballot that spans everything from Best Burger to Best Art Gallery, Best Politician, Best Plumber, and Best Bathroom. Here, we highlight some of last year's winners that might be of special interest to out-of-towners. (We've thrown in a few of our staffers' "Critics Picks" too.)

And if you happen to fall in love with anything while you're visiting, don't keep it to yourself: Voting in the 35th annual *Austin Chronicle* Best of Austin Awards kicks off March 27 at vote.austinchronicle.com.

## Ann and Roy Butler Hike-and-Bike Trail at Lady Bird Lake

"You can walk a little ways or a long ways.

There are bridges to cross the lake and just stop to take in the unique beauty that is Austin."

– Kate Schnack

10-MILE URBAN TRAIL LOOPS LADY BIRD LAKE IN DOWNTOWN AUSTIN; 1820 S. LAKESHORE BLVD.

# Best Two-Stepping Lessons Double or Nothing Two-Step

CRITICS PICK Vanessa Vaught's two-stepping lessons are the portal you pass through to be inducted into South Austin's thriving country scene. Anyone who has felt intimidated by the whirling dance floor at Sagebrush or Sam's Town Point is guaranteed to melt their fears away by attending one of her weekly beginner lessons.

DOUBLEORNOTHINGTWOSTEP.COM (RSVP FOR LESSONS AT ROTATING BARS; CHECK WEBSITE CALENDAR)

## Best Breakfast Taco Veracruz All Natural

"The National Migas Taco of TX." - John Gross

111 E. CESAR CHAVEZ (AT THE LINE AUSTIN), 1700 GUADALUPE ST. (FIND MORE LOCATIONS ONLINE), VERACRUZALLNATURAL.COM

## Best Established Restaurant Odd Duck

"Literally everything. The service, food, ambience, ambition. It's incredible: Every. Single. Time." – Kimberly Grant

1201 S. LAMAR, ODDDUCKAUSTIN.COM

# Best Dance Club Cheer Up Charlies

"Inclusive club with live music and a lively patio scene. Drink game is on point, and it's refreshing to go to a club where it doesn't matter if you're dressed up or down." - Kay Marley-Dilworth

900 RED RIVER, CHEERUPCHARLIES.COM

## Best Karaoke **Ego's**

"The best karaoke dive bar in the world!" - Mark Strong

510 S. CONGRESS, INSTAGRAM.COM/

## Best Vegan/Vegetarian Food Bouldin Creek Cafe

"Best service while keeping Austin weird and fed, with the widest variety of vegan options for breakfast (any time of day), lunch, and dinner." – Tierra Chapman

1900 S. FIRST, BOULDINCREEKCAFE.COM

# Best Museum The Blanton Museum of Art

"The Blanton has been on the cutting edge of Texas arts and culture. It's just as beautiful outside now as well as inside!" - Shannon Sedwick

200 E. MLK, BLANTONMUSEUM.ORG

## Best Late-Night Dining **Justine's**

"Justine's menu checks all of the late-night dining boxes: comforting, indulgent, and absolutely delicious." – Francey Grund

4710 E. FIFTH, JUSTINES1937.COM

# Best Pop-up Vintage Market Guad Vintage Market

**CRITICS PICK** Sundays from noon to 6, enter a wonderland of vintage clothing, handcrafted jewelry, and technically legal marijuana products. Located just minutes from the University of Texas campus.

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## **BRANDING TOGETHER**

No badge required for these free brand activations and immersive experiences

BY KIMBERLEY JONES

## **The Black Hole Experience**

Look, we know your parents always told you not to climb into strange people's cars ... but what if we told you it was a double-wide trailer meant to mimic the "physics and spiritual properties" of being in a black hole? That sounds way less scary, right? Age of Union's activation, a collab between artist Kevin Nunes and environmentalist Dax Dasilva, boasts floor-to-ceiling mirrors to create a sense of weightlessness and a thousand square feet in which to ponder your tiny place in the universe. Pop in during March 12's Austin Industry Day when the SXSW Expo is open to the general public, or later in the week at LoLo's.

WEDNESDAY 12, 9AM-4PM @ SXSW EXPO, **BOOTH 1507 (SX BADGEHOLDERS CAN ACCESS THE BHX SUNDAY 9-**WEDNESDAY 12); SATURDAY 15, 2-10PM @ LOLO WINE BAR (1504 E. SIXTH)

## Whataburger **Museum of Art**

For those of v'all who aren't from around here, what you need to know is that Whataburger is pretty beloved in these parts. We start our mornings with a taquito, hit the drive-through for a patty melt after the party, and drown everything in their iconic fancy ketchup. Apparently, we also make fan art devoted to the 75-year-old Texas brand, and 200 of those original pieces will be featured in this pop-up exhibition. Attendees can also get handson in the Whataburger Day Dot Room, a stark white restaurant interior re-creation that guests are invited to plaster over in stickers. Show up Saturday to get in on the free food samples.

WANDERLUST WINE CO. (610 N. I-35), SATURDAY 8-SUNDAY 9, 11AM-6PM

## Alien: Earth: "The Wreckage"

Brace for impact: To hype the summer release of *Alien: Earth*, the new *Alien* prequel series from Fargo creator (and Austinite) Noah Hawley, FX is transforming a Downtown lot into a crash landing site. Visitors will be "scanned for alien parasites before receiving credentials and instructions, embarking them on an exploratory mission through the ship wreckage where they will have the chance to get up close and personal with alien specimens." Sure, you might bump into a xenomorph, but we're more chilled by the vision of a near future where "corporations wield the power of nations."

FRIDAY 7-SATURDAY 8, 2:30-10PM @ 318 E. FIFTH (BETWEEN COPPER TANK AND THE WESTIN)

## Paramount+'s The Lodge

Why stop at one show when you could feast on a whole brand family's smorgasbord of immersive activities? The Lodge's three stories invite you to pop into Yellowjackets' eat-your-friends forest, Dexter: Original Sin's kill room, Gladiator II's imperial Colosseum, Survivor's Museum of Artifacts, Star Trek: Strange New Worlds' aura-reading station, and a mirror maze to get you pumped for upcoming true crime drama Happy Face.

FRIDAY 7, 4PM-MIDNIGHT; SATURDAY 8 S SUNDAY 9, NOON-7PM (8-11PM: SXSW BADGEHOLDERS ONLY); MONDAY 10, NOON-7PM @ CLIVE BAR (609 DAVIS)

## Criterion **Mobile Closet**

Seven Minutes in Heaven? Make it three minutes - that's all the time you're allotted to peruse the shelves of this mobile version of the Criterion Closet. Cameras will be rolling in case you want to monologue like a first-year film student about the influence of Orson Welles' The Magnificent Ambersons (#952) on Wes Anderson's The Royal Tenenbaums (#157). Your trip to cinema bountiful comes with party favors too: 40% off of up to three items stocked in the closet. in honor of the distributor's 40th anniversary, plus a Criterion tote while supplies last.

FRIDAY 7. 3-7PM: SATURDAY 8 & SUNDAY 9, 11AM-7PM; MONDAY 10, 11AM-5PM @ WEST EIGHTH AND CONGRESS AVE. (IN FRONT OF THE PARAMOUNT THEATRE)





