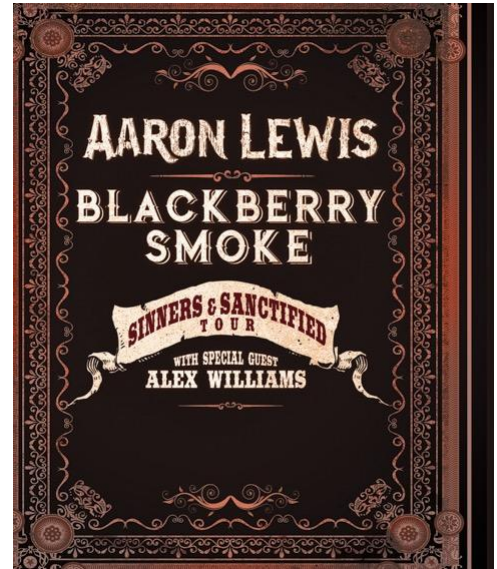


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AARON LEWIS AND BLACKBERRY SMOKE CONFIRM CO- HEADLINING FALL TOUR



Aaron Lewis and **Blackberry Smoke** will team up for the “**Sinners and Sanctified Tour**” this fall. The extensive co-headlining tour will kick-off on October 12 at Shreveport’s Municipal Auditorium and includes stops at Houston’s Ziegenbock Festival, Charlotte’s Charlotte Metro Credit Union Amphitheatre, Little Rock’s Verizon Arena, New York’s Terminal 5 and Philadelphia’s Tower Theatre among many others. Pre-sale begins tomorrow with general on-sale launching this Friday at 10:00am local time. See below for complete itinerary.

About Aaron Lewis:

Aaron Lewis, the self-proclaimed “Northern Redneck” and Staind front man, achieved critical and commercial success with his latest album, *SINNER*, which earned him the #1 position on the *Billboard* Top 200 Albums, Top Country Albums and Top Digital Albums Charts upon release. The 12-track project, voted one of *Whiskey Riff*’s 40 Best Country Albums of 2016, was recorded in 16 hours at Nashville’s Blackbird Studios with producer Buddy Cannon (George Strait, Merle Haggard, George



Jones). Lewis penned eight of the songs, in addition to covering Chris Stapleton’s “Whiskey and You” and The Dixie Chicks’ “Travelin’ Soldier.” Additionally, Lewis collaborates with Willie Nelson on the album’s title track while Grammy Award-winning artists Alison Krauss, Dan Tyminski and Vince Gill are also featured. *SINNER* was also one of *Billboard*’s 10 Best Country Albums of 2016, while *The Boot* raves, “Aaron Lewis shows a surprising understanding and respect for country music with his latest album, *SINNER*. Drawing from his childhood influences of listening to country music in his grandfather’s car, *SINNER* shows Aaron’s abilities as a singer, songwriter, musician and stylist. *SINNER* might just be the record that propels Aaron to a permanent place in country music.”

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About Blackberry Smoke:

Blackberry Smoke's acclaimed new album *Like An Arrow* debuted at No. 1 on both *Billboard's* Country Albums and Americana Albums charts as well as No. 3 on *Billboard's* Rock Albums chart. Recorded just outside of the band's native Atlanta at The Quarry Recording Studio in Kennesaw, GA, the 12-track album was self-produced and features very special guest Gregg Allman on the album's



closing track, "Free On The Wing." Of the album, *American Songwriter* praises, "...Blackberry Smoke fills the bill for the next generation of gutsy, heartfelt and honest Southeast rocking with plenty of talent, tons of drive and no apologies," while the *Boston Globe* asserts, "...the needle can be dropped on *Like An Arrow* until its grooves become as well-worn as the classic albums that inspired this band of country-rock workhorses." Named "Country music's most ferocious live band" by *Rolling Stone*, Blackberry Smoke has toured relentlessly since their debut in 2001, building a strong and loyal community of fans. The five-piece band is made up of: Charlie Starr (lead vocals, guitar), Richard Turner (bass, vocals), Brit Turner (drums), Paul Jackson (guitar, vocals), and Brandon Still (keyboards).

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October 12—Shreveport, LA—Municipal Auditorium
October 13—Irving, TX—The Pavilion at Irving Music Factory
October 14—Houston, TX—Ziegenbock Festival
October 26—Charlotte, NC—Charlotte Metro Credit Union Amphitheatre
October 27—Oxon Hill, MD—MGM National Harbor
October 28—Pikeville, KY—Eastern KY Expo Center
October 29—Macon, GA—The Macon Centreplex
November 2—Little Rock, AR—Verizon Arena
November 3—Tupelo, MS—BancorpSouth Arena
November 4—Evansville, IN—Old National Events Plaza
November 5—Huntsville, AL—Von Braun Center
November 8—Indiana, PA—Kovalchick Convention and Athletic Complex
November 9—Grand Rapids, MI—20 Monroe Live
November 11—Warren, OH—Packard Music Hall
November 14—New York, NY—Terminal 5
November 15—Salisbury, MD—Wicomico Civic Center
November 16—Upper Darby (Philadelphia), PA—Tower Theatre
November 17—Charleston, WV—Charleston Municipal Auditorium



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