



Austin City Limits Showcases the Best in Americana with The Lumineers and Shovels & Rope

New Episode Airs October 19 on PBS

Austin, TX—October 17, 2013—Austin City Limits (ACL) celebrates the best in Americana music today, with The Lumineers and Shovels & Rope making their ACL debuts. Denver's Lumineers perform their breakthrough hits including “Ho Hey” and “Stubborn Love” while Charleston, South Carolina's Shovels & Rope perform songs from their acclaimed debut *O' Be Joyful*. The new episode, part of ACL's just-launched Season 39, premieres October 19th. ACL airs weekly on PBS stations nationwide (check local listings for times) and full episodes are made available online at actv.com immediately following the initial broadcast.

The episode offers a deeper look at two acts that have been receiving well-deserved attention in the roots revival movement. Leading off the hour is The Lumineers, a folk-rock trio that play traditional but original heart-on-the-sleeve music. Of the band *The Austin Chronicle* writes, “There's nothing precious or affected here, just three dedicated artists opening their hearts.” The young group's breakthrough hit “Ho Hey” was one of the most-played songs of 2012, earning them a performing slot on 2013's Grammy Awards telecast, in addition to two Grammy nominations for Best New Artist and Best Americana Album. The Lumineers' uplifting ACL debut is filled with heart-swelling stomp-and-clap acoustic rock, classic pop and front-porch folk. Their set includes an inspired take on a Dylan classic, while the tambourine driven beat of “Ho Hey” brings the crowd to its feet and the performance closes with a crowd sing-along on “Stubborn Love”.

“There's more to The Lumineers than just the song that seemed to have the whole world singing along to this year,” says ACL executive producer Terry Lickona. “There aren't many bands that can engage an audience the way they do, and watching their ACL performance is the next best thing to being there.”

The second half of the episode introduces Shovels & Rope, the husband and wife roots duo of Michael Trent and Cary Ann Hearst. The dynamic pair channel country, bluegrass and blues to create folk music with raw energy. *The NY Times* raves, “While they are country, there is an edgy, punk, raucous side to go with their beautiful harmonies.” *NPR* agrees, “Seeing Hearst and Trent perform live together—as they conjure images of country-singing couples like Johnny Cash and June Carter Cash—renders them almost impossible to resist.” The first-time nominees were big winners at this year's recent Americana Music Awards, taking home top honors for Emerging Artist of the Year and Song of the Year. The couple's creative chemistry is on display in their ACL debut, an irresistible performance that's a potent mix of Southern gothic and country rock and deftly showcases their soulful harmonies.

“It doesn't get more basic than Shovels & Rope,” says Lickona, “but they rock out more than a stage full of musicians, and there's something refreshingly authentic about their live

performance that just makes you feel good.”

The Lumineers' Setlist:

Submarines
Ho Hey
Classy Girls
Subterranean Homesick Blues
Charlie Boy
Stubborn Love

Shovels & Rope Setlist:

Tell the Truth
Shank Hill Street
Boxcar
Gasoline
Hollowpoint Blues
Hail Hail

Season 39 Fall Broadcast Schedule (six additional episodes to be announced)

October 5	Juanes Jesse & Joy
October 12	Phoenix
October 19	The Lumineers Shovels & Rope
October 26	Vampire Weekend Grizzly Bear
November 2	Emmylou Harris & Rodney Crowell
November 9	Emeli Sandé Michael Kiwanuka
November 16	Jim James The Black Angels
November 23	<i>ACL Presents: Americana Music Festival 2013</i>

The complete line-up for the full 13-week season, including six new episodes to air beginning January 2014, will be announced at a later date. Check the news section of acltv.com for additional episode updates.

About Austin City Limits

Austin City Limits (ACL) is a television series on PBS that records and broadcasts original musical performances from exciting new talent and legendary artists of all genres.

Austin City Limits is the longest-running music series in American television history and remains the only TV series to ever be awarded the National Medal of Arts. ACL has been designated an official Rock & Roll Hall of Fame Landmark. In 2012, ACL received a rare institutional Peabody Award for excellence and outstanding achievement. In 2011, ACL moved to the new venue ACL Live at The Moody Theater in downtown Austin.

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