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## **South Carolina ETV series, “Southern Songwriters with Patrick Davis,” showcases unique musical journey across South Carolina**

**COLUMBIA, S.C.** – South Carolina ETV is proud to announce its newest series, [Southern Songwriters with Patrick Davis](#), with episode one premiering on Oct. 3 at 9 p.m. on ETV-HD. Each of the four one-hour episodes takes viewers on a captivating journey through South Carolina’s historic towns with the critically acclaimed singer-songwriter Patrick Davis. The series features Davis performing with a diverse lineup of award-winning musical guests in iconic settings across his childhood home state.

In each episode, Davis is joined by three different artists and songwriters for a live, unscripted concert experience. Off stage, Davis delves into the rich history and culture of each Southern town, engaging with locals and historians to uncover unique stories and traditions.

In addition to premiering locally on ETV-HD, *Southern Songwriters with Patrick Davis* is also being distributed nationally by [American Public Television](#) (APT) to viewers of public television across the U.S. Viewers outside of South Carolina should check their local listings.

Patrick Davis has spent over two decades making his mark as a performer, songwriter and event producer, including his renowned Songwriters in Paradise. Celebrated as a critically acclaimed solo artist, he has also gained renown as a prolific songwriter, contributing not only to his own albums but also to the catalogs of icons such as Guy Clark and Jimmy Buffett. His fifth full-length album *Carolina When I Die*, due out late 2024, marks a transformative moment as Davis re-introduces himself as a Southern storyteller, a master craftsman and a versatile musician.

Below is a glimpse into each episode of *Southern Songwriters with Patrick Davis*:

### **Episode 101: Arts Center of Kershaw County, Camden**

Patrick is joined by Dan Tyminski, Kristian Bush and Marc Broussard in Patrick’s childhood hometown of Camden, SC. Patrick also learns about local legend Larry Doby, who was the first African American player in Major League Baseball’s American League, Camden’s role in the American Revolutionary War and the history of horse racing in Camden, which is known as the “Steeplechase Capital of the World.”

### **Episode 102: Greenwood Community Theatre, Greenwood**

Patrick is joined by Jedd Hughes, James Otto and Taylor Hicks in Greenwood, SC. Patrick also learns about local hero Benjamin E. Mays- an icon of the American Civil Rights movement- the groundbreaking work being done at the Greenwood Genetics Center and famous 1960’s music makers “The Swingin’ Medallions,” who hail from Greenwood.

### **Episode 103: Sumter Opera House, Sumter**

Patrick is joined by Charles Kelley of Lady A, Maggie Rose and Gabe Dixon of Tedeschi Trucks Band in Sumter, SC. Patrick also learns about local legend Bobby Richardson, who won two World Series with the New York Yankees, the magnificent Swan Lake and Iris Gardens and Sumter’s world-renowned sculptor Grainger McKoy, whose work is featured in museums and venues throughout the world.

### **Episode 104: Allen University, Columbia**

Patrick is joined by Shawn Mullins, Drew Holcomb and David Ryan Harris at Allen University’s Historic Chappelle Auditorium in Columbia, SC. Patrick also learns about Columbia’s role in the American Civil



Rights movement, the unique backstory of the auditorium and what Columbia was like during its 1990's musical heyday by chatting with world famous local legends Hootie and the Blowfish.

*Southern Songwriters with Patrick Davis* is produced and presented by South Carolina ETV. The series is funded by the ETV Endowment of South Carolina, Experience Columbia, Greenwood Communities and Resorts, Mark and Shaye Hurd, The Bridget Harrell Charitable Trust, The City of Columbia, Catherine and Andrew Westbrook III, and Robert M. Rainey.

*Southern Songwriters with Patrick Davis* airs weekly, starting Oct. 3, Thursdays at 9 p.m. on ETV-HD. The series can also be watched on-demand using the free PBS App or on the [scetv.org](http://scetv.org) website. For more information on *Southern Songwriters with Patrick Davis*, visit the [SCETV website](http://SCETV website).

## QUOTES

"SCETV is thrilled to bring viewers this extraordinary new series that celebrates our rich Southern heritage through the lens of music and history. Patrick Davis's passion for storytelling and his deep connection to South Carolina make this series both engaging and informative." –**SCETV Director of National Content and Regional Operations Don Godish**

"*Southern Songwriters with Patrick Davis* is a journey through the heart of South Carolina, blending music with the unique stories of our past. It's a celebration of our culture and an exploration of the roots that connect us all." – **Singer-songwriter and *Southern Songwriters with Patrick Davis* Host Patrick Davis**

## FAST FACTS:

- *Southern Songwriters with Patrick Davis* premieres on Oct. 3 at 9 p.m. on ETV-HD and features live concerts and historical explorations across South Carolina.
- The series is presented by SCETV.
- For more information on *Southern Songwriters with Patrick Davis*, visit the [SCETV website](http://SCETV website).

## About South Carolina ETV and Public Radio

South Carolina ETV and Public Radio (SCETV) is the state's public educational broadcasting network. SCETV amplifies South Carolina voices, provides educational experiences and strengthens communities, while working toward creating a stronger, more connected and informed South Carolina. In addition to airing local programs, such as *Carolina Classrooms*, *Making It Grow*, and *This Week in South Carolina*, SCETV also presents multiple programs to regional and national audiences, including *By The River*, *After Action*, *Reconnecting Roots*, *Reel South*, *Somewhere South*, *Yoga in Practice* and *How She Rolls*. In addition, SC Public Radio produces the national radio production, *Chamber Music from Spoleto Festival USA*.

## About American Public Television

American Public Television (APT) is the leading syndicator of high-quality, top-rated programming to the nation's public television stations. Founded in 1961, APT distributes 250 new program titles per year and more than one-third of the top 100 highest-rated public television titles in the U.S. APT's diverse catalog includes prominent documentaries, performance, dramas, how-to programs, classic movies, children's series and news and current affairs programs. *Doc Martin*, *Midsomer Murders*, *America's Test Kitchen From Cook's Illustrated*, *AfroPoP*, *Rick Steves' Europe*, *Pacific Heartbeat*, *Christopher Kimball's Milk Street Television*, *Legacy List with Matt Paxton*, *Lidia's Kitchen*, *Kevin Belton's New Orleans Kitchen*, *Simply Ming*, *The Best of the Joy of Painting with Bob Ross*, *Live From the Artists Den*, *James Patterson's Kid Stew* and *NHK Newsline* are a sampling of APT's programs, considered some of the most popular on public television. APT also licenses programs internationally through its APT Worldwide service and distributes Create@TV — featuring the best of public television's lifestyle programming — and WORLD™, public television's premier news, science and documentary channel. To find out more about APT's programs and services, visit [APTonline.org](http://APTonline.org).



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