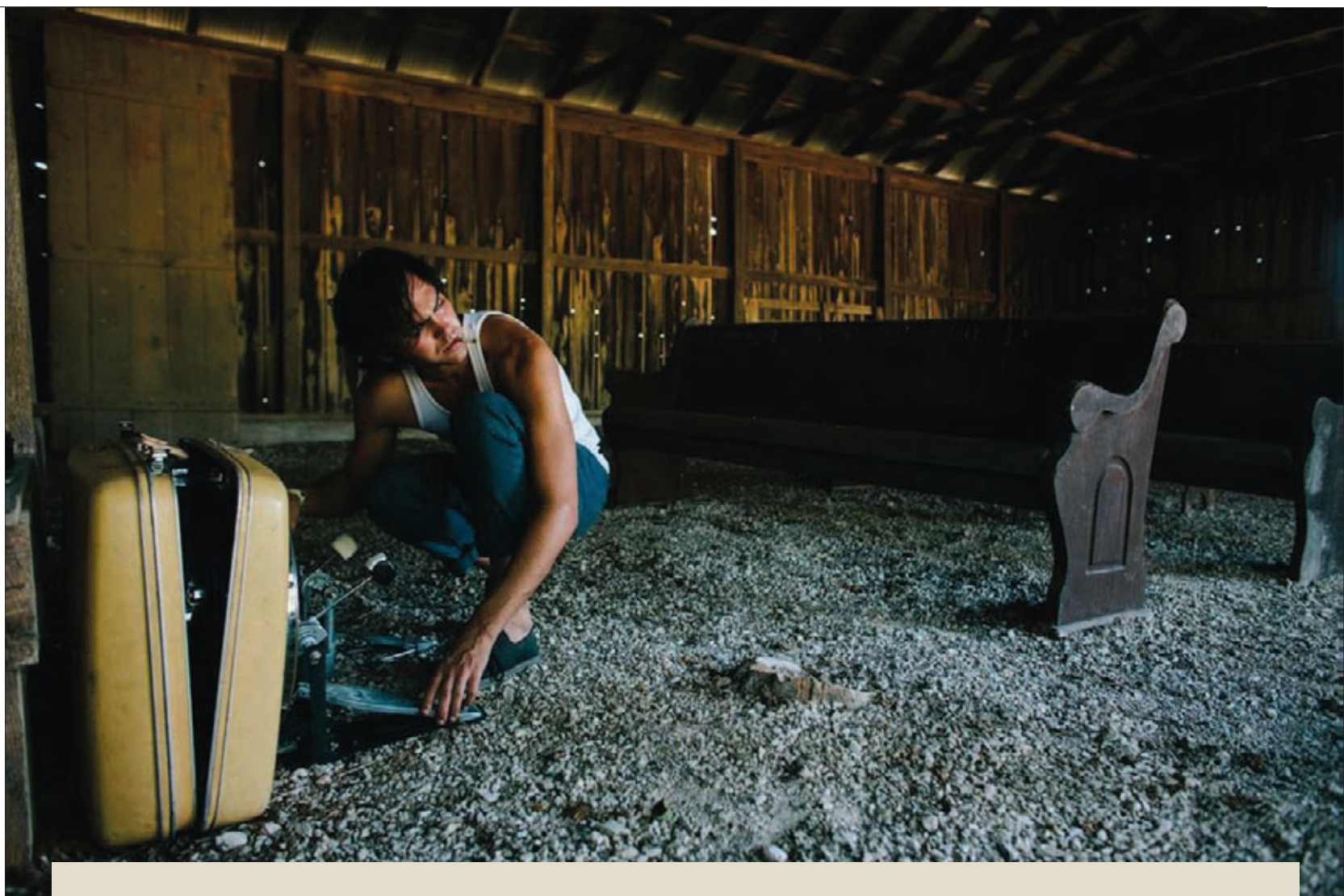


## MUSIC LISTINGS CONTINUED

**LUCKEY'S** Cutthroat Shamrock—10pm; Irish, \$3  
**MAC'S** Wine, Jazz & Variety Show w/Gus Russell & Paul Biondi—6pm; Jazz, blues, n/c  
**MAX'S** Lonesome Randall—7pm; Rock & roll historian, n/c  
**MULLIGAN'S** Open Mic—8:30pm  
**MUSIC MASTERS** Bluegrass Jam—7pm  
**OAK ST. SPEAKEASY** All That—9pm; DJs, n/c  
**OLD PAD** Trivia night—9pm; n/c  
**POUR HOUSE** Karaoke—9pm  
**QUACKERS** Karaoke—9pm; n/c  
**THE ROK** Karaoke—9pm  
**SAM BOND'S** Shakey Graves, the Harmed Brothers—9pm; Alt. country, \$7  
**SCOBERT GARDENS** Mars Grass—7pm; n/c  
**SPIRITS** Karaoke—9pm  
**TAYLOR'S BAR & GRILLE** DJ Crown—10:30pm; Hip hop, top 40, dance, n/c  
**TINY TAVERN** Open mic comedy night—8pm; n/c  
**TSUNAMI BOOKS** Ariana Saraha—7:30pm; Mythic songstress, \$10  
**VILLAGE GREEN** Chris Klein & friends—7pm; n/c  
**WESTEND TAVERN** Patrick & Giri—8pm; Rock, acoustic, n/c

## CORVALLIS (AND SURROUNDING AREAS)

**BOMB'S AWAY CAFÉ**  
**TH** The Cherry Pickers—9pm; Bluegrass, n/c  
**FR** A Leaf, Bury the Moon—10pm; Indie, alt-rock, n/c  
  
**CLOUD & KELLY'S**  
**TH** Cadillac Lunch—7pm; Jazz fusion, n/c; Danny Black—9pm; Singer-songwriter, n/c  
**FR** The Dirk Quinn Band—10pm; Funk, experimental, n/c  
**SA** The Svens—9pm; Surf, rock, n/c  
**WE** Bo Bestvina—7pm; Acoustic, n/c  
  
**FIREWORKS RESTAURANT**  
**MO** Southtown Open Mic—9pm; n/c  
  
**IMAGINE COFFEE**  
**SU** Nicasio Folkroots—11am; n/c



## EMBRACE THE SHAKES

When is a guy with a guitar just a guy with a guitar? There are a million of them out there — at coffee shops and open mics, picking, strumming and singing; heard one and you've heard them all. Well, sometimes that guy with a guitar is just different, like Bright Eyes, the Mountain Goats, Iron and Wine or even Bob Dylan. While I'm not ready to place Austin-based singer-songwriter **Shakey Graves** in quite such lofty company, the plaintive plunking banjo that kicks off Graves' 2011 release *Roll the Bones* caught my attention as something special, and I was proven right.

The record is a lower than lo-fi collection of gutter folk and indie blues recalling the moody simplicity of Iron and Wine's debut *The Creek Drank the Cradle*. Graves' "Unlucky Skin" is sweetened with some John Lennon-esque harmonies; he grimaces through a menacing cover of Springsteen's "I'm on Fire." And "Built to Roam" is reminiscent of the psychedelic folk of The Kinks circa *Muswell Hillbillies* — complete with a whimsical la-de-da-de-da and standout lyrics: "Well, I'm the king of Brooklyn for all she knows," and "It doesn't matter where we're headed 'cause / Some of us were built to roam."

Live, Shakey Graves is a one-man band. His songs are even more loosely structured, tempos shift in the moment, he kicks a foot-pedal adding some percussion and his voice is big and grizzled despite his youthful appearance — a voice that, in time, could contribute greatly to contemporary American music. On his website Graves reminds us that our support "keeps him in clean socks and bread."

Shakey Graves plays with The Harmed Brothers 9 pm Wednesday, July 31, at Sam Bond's; \$7. — *William Kennedy*

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