

# Steve Spurgin



the heart compelled him to launch a solo approach to his music. As a result, he has become a singer/songwriter that has never failed to stand out in his chosen genre of Americana-styled country/folk.

On stage, it always seems as if Steve's audience has been invited to sit down, relax and listen as if they were in their own living room — regardless of the size of the venue. They are treated to songs that have depth, relevance, wit, nostalgia and sincerity. There is nothing phony here. It is the real thing. It takes only a few moments to realize that his time on stage will be something to remember. That is the way Steve wants it.

*"Some folks are born to stay at home — some are born to wander with their collar to the wind"* ("Collar to the Wind" © Bum's Rush Music, Steve Spurgin)

Steve's musical career has covered miles and years, garnered awards, produced original songs that stand the test of time and earned a reputation that spans a large portion of the globe. Born and raised in Texas, he took influences from a rural heritage and the early folk music days and began weaving a tapestry that is varied and impressive. Along the way he has become friends and shared the stage with legendary contemporaries such as Steve Gillette, Mason Williams, Byron Berline, Chris Hillman and many others.

He spent a portion of his career in the Nashville country scene as a staff writer for The Welk Music Group, penning songs for the publishing companies of Gene Watson and Reba McEntire. That association produced major country market hit songs and a BMI Writers Award. However, the drive to write and sing songs from

## AWARDS

*BMI Songwriter Award*

*IBMA Instrumental Group of the Year  
(3 times, with California)*

*New Folk Winner  
Kerrville Folk Festival*

## REVIEW QUOTES

*"...nothing less than remarkable."*

DIRTY LINEN

*"...Spurgin is master of the art of the word"*

FRESH DIRT

*"Spurgin isn't just good, he's stellar."*

AMERICANA MUSIC REVIEWS, ROCKZILLAWORLD

*"Every piece is a true gem."*

BLUEGRASS UNLIMITED

*"Music has the power to alter a person's perception of life around them. The greatest moments I have personally spent have always seemed to involve music. As with any art form, it has the ability to hit your soul in unexpected ways, and every emotion possible can be brought to the surface by a song. There is something that is wonderfully healing about simply combining words and musical notes. My desire has always been to write and perform a song that will touch someone's heart in one way or another."*

In a world that seems far too occupied with flipping through and discarding whatever the current fads may be, it is a testament to the music of Steve Spurgin that it continues to endure — certain to be here when the rest of us are gone. His music is one of the reasons that the word "timeless" was created.

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**DISCOGRAPHY**

*Distant Faces*  
*Tumbleweed Town*  
*Now They Are Four* (with Berline/Crary/Hickman)  
*California Traveler* (with California)  
*Sawmill Road One*  
*Sawmill Road Two — Fire On The Kettle*  
*Fiddle And A Song* (with Byron Berline, Grammy nominated project)  
*Fiddler's Dream* (with Sundance)  
*Old Glory*

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**MAJOR  
FESTIVALS**  
*(solo and ensemble)*

Tönder Fest — Denmark  
Beverly Folk Festival — England  
Vancouver Folk Festival — Canada  
North Wales Bluegrass Festival — Wales  
Grindewald Country Festival — Switzerland  
Grey Fox — New York  
Merlefest — North Carolina  
Walnut Valley Festival — Kansas  
The Huck Finn Jubilee — California  
Strawberry Music Festival — California  
Grass Valley Festival — California  
Summergrass — California  
Wintergrass — Washington  
Oklahoma's International Bluegrass Festival — Oklahoma  
The American Music Shop — Tennessee  
IBMA Fan Fest — Tennessee  
RockyGrass — Colorado  
Telluride Music Festival — Colorado  
Kerrville Folk Festival — Texas  
The Alaska State Fair — Alaska  
*...plus many more*

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**INTERNATIONAL  
TOURS**

Canada, Mexico, England, Ireland, Northern Ireland, Wales,  
Germany, Denmark, Sweden, Italy, France, Holland, Belgium,  
Switzerland, Austria, New Zealand, Tonga, Marshall Islands,  
Solomon Islands, Fiji, Western Samoa, New Guinea

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**INSTRUCTOR  
CAMPS**

South Plains College — Texas  
RockyGrass Academy — Colorado  
Walnut Valley Festival — Kansas  
American River Music Camp — California  
Sorrento Music Camp — Canada  
*...plus numerous festival song-writing workshops throughout the U.S.*

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**HBO**

*"Deadwood" Seasons 1 & 2* — two episodes on camera, as well as  
sound cues, working one on one with creator/producer David Milch