



Chris Stephen is a strapping 6'4" plus young man that you might find anywhere from pitchin' hay in a barn to riding dirt bikes in the mountains. He is East TN born and bred through and through. Born in 1997 just outside Knoxville, TN, his family roots run through the mountains all the way back to the late 1600's; Appalachia and Country Music is in his soul.



Music has always been a major influence in Chris' life, from kicking in the womb whenever the bagpipes played, to marching on the field as a member of the Pride of The Southland Band & a Music Education Major at the University of TN, He's a young man with a rich, deep mature voice, an old country soul and a love of family, God, strong friendships and a simple country life as his guiding values. Chris has a strong passion for everything outdoors, from hunting and fishing to hiking and kayaking. Equally important to him is his strong sense of freedom, liberty and patriotism. His passions and values, and how they sometimes clash in today's world, are often found in the heart of his music



His musical accolades began as early as the 2nd grade and have continued throughout his career. Chris graduated Summa cum laude and National Honor Society with a 4.2 GPA, from Alcoa High School. He also played Trombone all four years in the Alcoa Marching Band, helping them to win numerous band competitions, as well as writing most of the arrangements for their Stand Tunes his Jr. and Sr. years. He was also selected for ETSBOA All East and All East Jazz from his Sophomore through Senior years. He began singing, songwriting and performing at the age of 16. He continues to hone his craft and is extending his success and awards in the world of Country Music.



Chris' first album, a 6 song EP, released April 14, 2017, is self-titled and was Produced by Smith Curry in Nashville, TN. It was released by the Indie label Old Joe Music & Entertainment Inc. His new Single "Home" released Oct 16, 2018. and earned a Reverbnation Featured Artist Spot with Crowd Reviews in only 3 days

Chris says that the biggest influences on his music and style are:

Zac Brown, Josh Turner, Eric Church, Chris Young, George Strait, Johnny Cash, Charlie Daniels and John Fogarty & Creedence Clearwater Revival.

Chris' big voice & sound has been coined as:Chris Young, Josh Turner, & Zac Brown all rolled into one with a splash of Johnny Cash sprinkled in.



10 days prior to release, Chris' EP was put into the Country Music Rotation of JmediaFM internet radio, where his EP made the Top 10 Country list in less than 4 days, as well as being played on the Marshall Andy Show on WLIL Country 730 AM & 102.7 FM in Lenoir City, TN, LOZ Radio Internet Radio, Jango, Radio Airplay, The Blacksheep Network, Triplestrand Productions Country Radio (syndicated to 112 commercial stations worldwide), IMP Country with syndication to more than 80 stations in 12 countries and, is being played on numerous FM stations across the country as well as Sirius XM. Additionally, Chris was honored & recognized for his young impact in Country Music by being invited to perform as a Featured Artist in the Annual Keith Whitley Memorial Show, May 6, 2017 in Sandy Hook, KY. This young artist is quickly making a big splash in the world of Country Music.

AWARDS & RECOGNITION

Jan. 21, 2019 - "Home" Music Video selected by VEVO for "Top 100 Incoming Country"

Oct. 19, 2018 – New Single "Home" earned a Featured Artist spot on Reverbnation's homepage with Crowd Reviews in only 3 days from the release date. Featured Spot will run week of April 9 2019

Oct. 17, 2018 – New Single "Home" selected for airplay on BlastFMCountry from over 5000 submissions on their Promotion Campaign.

March 2018 – Nominated for "Male Vocalist of The Year, Rising Star and "More Than I Deserve" Nominated for Song of The Year: Nashville Universe.

Jan. 27, 2018 – Spotlight Artist of The Week WAVR 97.0 American Veteran's Radio

<http://www.avradio.org/>

Jan 7, 2018 Featured Guest Artist Interview on Nashville's Black Sheep Radio Network where his song Silver Sun Crush rose to #2 and spent 6 months in the Top 10 of their Top 30 Countdown beginning in Sept. 2017

Dec. 12- Jan. 1 2017/2018 Selected as a "Featured Artist" & "Crowd Pick Favorite" with 2 separate songs; More Than I Deserve & Never Seen Nothing Like You, on Reverbnation

Nov. 8, 2017 Selected as a weekly "Featured Artist" on HEM Country Radio in the U.K

<https://hemcountry.com/radio/>

Oct. 12, 2017 Selected to the October Top 5 Social Roundup at AC Country – Country Music News Blog. <https://www.acountry.com/october-top-5-social-roundup-2/>

Oct. 09, 2017 Selected as a Top 10 Finalist for WATE TV's Knoxville Idol

Sept. 25, 2017 Selected for Radio play & 30 day promotion with A.V.A. Live Radio

Sept. 5, 2017 - "Silver Sun Crush" selected for Fan Voting in the Weekly Top 30 on The Black Sheep Radio Network – Nashville.

Aug. 2017 – "More Than I Deserve" selected for nominations for the 2017 Independent Music Awards

May 24, 2017 – Original song, "More Than I Deserve" Nominated for "Modern Country Song of The Year" by The Josie Music Awards

May 21, 2017 – "Officially Nominated" for "Modern Country – Male Artist of The Year", and "Modern Country – Male Vocalist of The Year" by the Josie Music Awards

May 8, 2017 - Chris was notified of his selection as International Crowd Favorite with his song "*More Than I Deserve*" and will be a Reverbnation Featured Artist the week of Dec 12, 2017.

May 8, 2017 - Chris was notified of his selection as an International Crowd Favorite with his song "*Never Seen Nothing Like You*" and will be a Reverbnation Featured Artist the week of Dec 26, 2017.

April 28, 2017 - Chris Stephen and Country Side from Chris Stephen EP Named as Staff Pick Favorite at Radio Airplay for week of April 24

April 6, 2017 – Named to TOP 10 Country Chart at JmediaFM

GIVING BACK & PHILANTHROPIC INFO

Mission 22 – Ambassador. Veteran Suicide awareness & prevention organization

Marine Corps League – Marines Helping Marines & Toys For Tots

Lost Sheep – Christian Ministry to Feed The Homeless

Camp YOGO – Children's Christian Camp - South Africa

LIVE SHOWS & PERFORMANCES

Oct. 29, 2018 – WDVX Blue Plate Special, Live Radio Show – Knoxville, TN

Oct. 25, 2018 – Whiskey Jam – Winner's Bar & Grill – Nashville, TN

Oct. 20, 2018 – Hobbs Farm Annual Apple Butter Festival, Blackwater, VA

Sept. 29, 2018 – National Muscadine Festival – Tsali Notch Vineyard, Sweetwater, TN

Sept. 4, 2018 – The Creek Cafe, Jefferson City, TN

Aug 25, 2018 – Barley's Taproom, Maryville, TN

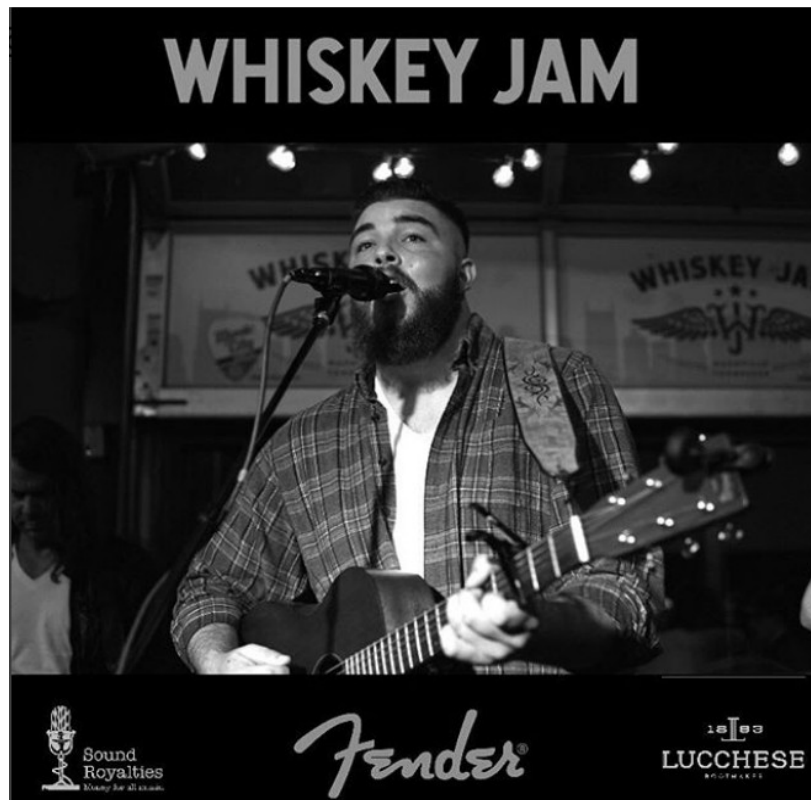
Aug 3, 2018 - Cruze Farms, Knoxville, TN

Aug. 12, 2017 – "Ride For Terri" Benefit, Black Mountain, NC

May 13, 2017 – Dirt Bag Paddlers' Fundraiser Concert, River Rats, Hartford, TN

May 6, 2017 – Opening Act for The 2nd Annual Keith Whitley Memorial Show, Sandy Hook, KY

May 5, 2017 – Perform with Steve Rutledge & The Groove Evolution, Swifty's Atomic Bar & Grill, Oak Ridge, TN



MUSIC VIDEOS & ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

<http://www.ChrisStephenCountry.com>

Tour Dates - <https://www.bandsintown.com/a/13022521>

<http://bit.ly/ChrisStephenVEVO>

<http://www.Youtube.com/ChrisStephenMusic>

www.ReverbNation.com/ChrisStephen

<http://www.Facebook.com/ChrisStephenMusic>

http://Twitter.com/ChrisStephen_

<https://open.spotify.com/artist/1qtKiJBD370ghLRdeX3TsR>

Chris is available live for both full band and acoustic appearances. Please contact his management – Old Joe Music & Entertainment Inc for booking information at:

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