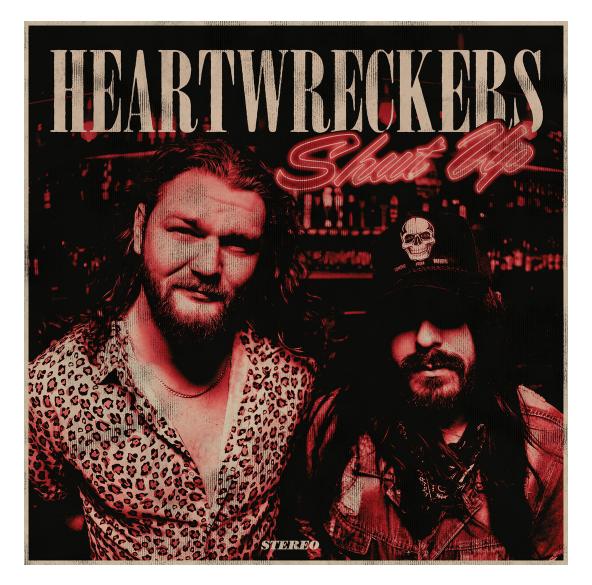


HEARTWRECKERS, BROCK BUTLER & RYAN GARRETT, RELEASE DEBUT SINGLE "SHUT UP" ON JANUARY 19

Duo Touring Through Summer In Support of May 24 EP Shut Up And Drink, Produced by Andrew Baylis (Jelly Roll, Pecos & The Rooftops, Austin Snell)



NASHVILLE, Tenn. (Jan. 9, 2024) — Two Texas natives — 6'4" guitar-wielding Level Two sommelier **Brock Butler**, and bona fide rocker with Warped Tour cred and a razor-sharp wit, **Ryan Garrett** — walked into Nashville's Red Door Saloon. Several drinks later, <u>Heartwreckers</u> stumbled out.

The new duo — refreshingly blunt singer-songwriters with an endless supply of hooks and melodies, but *absolutely no filter* — will release its debut single, "<u>Shut Up</u>," on January 19.

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"I can't tell you how many times I've been writing songs in Nashville and you throw out an idea and everyone in the room says, 'Oh, that's sick!" Butler says. "But then they immediately follow it with, 'But we can't say that."

Adds Garrett, "And I'm like, 'We can say whatever the f*ck we want."

That credo informs the whole of Heartwreckers' upcoming EP, *Shut Up And Drink*, a collection of five envelope-pushing country songs all written by Butler and Garrett, reflecting the unblinking lyrical and sonic approach the duo applies to country music. Produced by **Andrew Baylis** (Jelly Roll, Austin Snell, Pecos & The Rooftops), Garrett describes the project's sound as "Country. Ass. Rock. With the periods!"

Shut Up And Drink is set for release on May 24, supported by a run of live show dates beginning February 9 (current list of dates below) including **May 1** performances at the **28th Annual Key West Songwriters Festival, Presented by BMI**.

The EP's first single, "Shut Up," is a candid conversation between a heartbroken dude and his buddy, who advises him the best way to forget his ex is to "shut up and drink." More tender than the title might suggest, the song underscores the bond between Butler and Garrett, who attended the same Boerne, Texas, high school but didn't meet each other until they moved to Nashville.

"When I got to town, I kept hearing these whispers about this other kid from Boerne who got out and became a published writer like me," Butler says. "I knew I had to find him."

Adds Garrett, "We met at the Red Door Saloon in midtown, got drunk as sh*t, and the rest is history."

Prior to forming Heartwreckers, Butler and Garrett had both landed publishing deals, and had accumulated hundreds of hours of stage time (Butler toured the country in a reggae band, while Garrett played in an emo-rock group on the Warped Tour).

"We're not scared to be told 'no,' and move forward anyway," Garrett says. "We're gonna sing and write whatever we want. I want to play in front of 50,000 people, but I'll be happy playing in front of 500 if it means we can say what we mean and feel."

Heartwreckers Upcoming Tour Dates (For tickets to all dates, visit www.realheartwreckers.com):

With Creed Fisher (*denotes Heartwreckers only) — Feb 9 - Cedar Park, TX - The Haute Spot Feb 10 - Baton Rouge, LA - The Texas Club Feb 14 - Sanford, FL - Tuffy's Music Box Feb 15 - Stuart, FL - Terra Fermata Feb 17 - Brooksville, FL - The Whitehead Farm* Feb 22 - Leesburg, VA - Tally Ho Theatre Feb 23 - Columbia, SC - The Senate Feb 24 - Greensboro, NC - Hangar 1819 Feb 25 - Jacksonville, NC - Hooligan's

28th Annual Key West Songwriters Festival Presented by BMI

May 1 - Key West, FL

Heartwreckers is managed by Joe Carter of Carter & Co, Keith Lazorchak (Hard 8 Working Group),

Mike Taliaferro (Taliaferro Entertainment), and Scott Siman, with Jackie Marushka on PR.

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About Heartwreckers

Heartwreckers bring a no-filter approach to country music with their debut EP *Shut Up And Drink*. Produced by Andrew Baylis (Jelly Roll, Austin Snell, Pecos & The Rooftops), the songwriting duo of Brock Butler and Ryan Garrett deliver a fearless collection of country bangers, from songs about drinking away an ex ("Shut Up") to one about a pickup with a mind of its own ("Don't Trust That Truck").

Brock Butler

Brock Butler is an eclectic performer, songwriter, and recording artist. Born in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, he was steeped in country music — especially that of local hero Tim McGraw and, later, Nashville stars like Blake Shelton and Trace Adkins. Brock soon made New Orleans his home, adding a layer of rich history to his musical tapestry. He relocated to Texas after Hurricane Katrina, where he began performing blues rock, ska, and reggae, but it wasn't long before he returned to his country roots. Relocating to Nashville in 2021, Brock signed publishing deals with Tim McGraw's publishing company, and BMG, and has gone on to write with a diverse group of songwriters, including McGraw, Megan Moroney, and his partner in Heartwreckers, Ryan Garrett.

Ryan Garrett

Ryan Garrett just wants to rock. The Texas native cut his teeth playing in emo and punk bands, crisscrossing the country on the Warped Tour, and brings that hard edge to country music. But he also has a keen sense of melody, informed by the bands his mother played for him growing up, from Fleetwood Mac and the Eagles to the Doobie Brothers, and his songwriting melds those worlds seamlessly. Since moving to Nashville in 2021, Ryan has written with Tim McGraw and recorded with producer Andrew Baylis (Jelly Roll, Austin Snell, Pecos & The Rooftops), who helmed the debut EP by Ryan's band with collaborator Brock Butler, Heartwreckers.

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