

HILL COUNTRY REVUE

HILL COUNTRY REVUE is THE modern Southern Rock / Blues band for the new generation. Formed by Cody Dickinson from The North Mississippi Allstars in 2008, it features Chris Chew, Kirk Smithhart, Ed "Hot" Cleveland and Dixie Dan Coburn. The band's debut album, 'Make a Move', was released by Razor and Tie Records in May 2009. "This is really back to the roots of blues," says Cody of the upcoming record. "It's funky. Really nasty, that's the best way to describe it. Gritty, messy, stripped-down." Hill Country Revue will tour the country up until the release of the record. For the summer of 2009 HCR will focus on festival and support slots. Fall 2009 will be comprised of a headlining national tour.

As part of the North Mississippi Allstars, Cody Dickinson has three Grammy nominated albums under his belt. He has shared the stage with artists as diverse as Kid Rock, Dave Matthews Band and Mavis Staples, and toured all over the world steadily since 1996, earning a legion of fans.

The majority of the material on 'Make A Move' was written by protégé Garry Burnside, the youngest of R.L. and Alice Mae Burnside's fourteen children. Garry is a walking encyclopedia of Mississippi hill country blues. He grew up playing with Junior Kimbrough every Sunday night in Junior's world-famous juke joint (where he met a young Cody Dickinson for the first time).

Kirk Smithhart was awarded The Albert King award for Best Guitarist by the Blues Foundation when he was only 19. Daniel Robert Coburn, born and raised in Flint MI, cut his teeth playing rock and hardcore. He formed Dixie Hustler in 2001 whose debut record was produced by Aaron Julison of Kid Rock and Cody Dickinson. "Hot" Cleveland grew up surrounded by the gospel music of Memphis and has recorded and toured with a number of lauded musicians including Olanda Draper, Shalamar, and Howard Hewitt.