

Oregon Prison Tour, South Fork Forest Camp, Tillamook, OR, 2018 photo Steve Steckly

### **VIDEO**

<u>Luther's Boots INSIDE</u> 2020 excerpt produced for virtual concert played in prison during Covid

"Nashville: Darkened Road Ahead" produced for the 2021 Johnny Cash Heritage Festival

"Orange Blossom Special" from the Folsom50 project performance at Coffee Creek, 2018

## PRESS LINKS

OREGON PUBLIC BROADCASTING, STATE OF WONDER: Band Takes Johnny Cash's 'Folsom' Concert to Oregon Prisons

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# LUTHER'S BOOTS

Danny Wilson & Luther's Boots pick up the thread of Johnny Cash's social justice legacy by playing concerts inside Oregon prisons. The band has evolved from playing Cash covers to incorporating Wilson's original music. The resulting work received a Regional Arts & Culture Council project grant to record the album **Darkened Road Ahead**. The experience of being welcomed inside by incarcerated folks drives the band. Wilson says this experience has changed his life, it has certainly changed his music making. Once prisons reopen (post-Covid) the prison concert tour will resume. Luther's Boots plays shows outside prison walls to help support the work they do inside.

The current line up Luther's Boots is comprised of Danny Wilson (guitar/keys/vocals), Wyatt Unger (bass), Jared Bozza (drums), and Zach Holden (guitar). Holden and Unger are versatile musicians who are recent graduates of Portland State University's jazz program. Bozza and Wilson both studied music at Lewis & Clark College—though they graduated many years apart.

**Darkened Road Ahead** is available at luthersboots.bandcamp.com and streaming services.

# SELECTED VENUES

Johnny Cash Heritage Festival, Dyess AK  $\cdot$  Mississippi Studio's Polaris Hall  $\cdot$  Evans Hall at Lewis & Clark College  $\cdot$  The Fixin' To  $\cdot$  White Eagle Saloon  $\cdot$  Al's Den  $\cdot$  The Goodfoot Pub  $\cdot$  Alberta Street Pub  $\cdot$  Fourteen Oregon prisons, including maximum security Oregon State Penitentiary

