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RIK AVALOS BAND

Raw. Loud. Relentless. An Austin original rock band in the line of 90s alternative: four players, original songs and live shows.



THE BAND

Forged in Austin, the Rik Avalos Band channels the unfiltered energy of 90s alternative rock: the darkness of Alice in Chains, the haunting depth of Jeff Buckley, the atmospheric weight of Radiohead. Equal parts catharsis and craft. No filler, no pretense.

The band came together at Austin's 512 Studios with producer Omar Vallejo. Rik writes or co-writes every release.

WHERE THE SONGS COME FROM

Rik started Dirty Oliver in Austin in 1989, played bass in Jumptrain from 1996 to 1999, and wrote with Joe Cieplinski as Seven's Fears from 2004 to 2013. Bob Michaels has been in Austin music since 1988, Chris Reyna since 1994 and CJ Fuson since 1987.

MUSIC

Four EPs and five singles since 2023, recorded at 512 Studios. 2026 singles: The Best of You, Change the World, Together Again, Zero to Nothing, Before You Hit the Ground. EPs: Four-titude (2025), Make Believe (2024), All My Love, Strength, & Courage (2023), Just a Spark (2023).

On Spotify, Apple Music, Amazon Music and Bandcamp.

AT A GLANCE

BILLING NAME	Rik Avalos Band
HOMETOWN	Austin, Texas
STYLE	Original rock in the line of 90s alternative
LINEUP	Rik Avalos, lead vocals and guitar. Bob Michaels, lead guitar. Chris Reyna, bass. CJ Fuson, drums.
LIVE	Hanover's Draught Haus, Buck's Backyard, Brass Hall, Rock House Bar. Eight shows so far in 2026.
PRODUCTION	The band says it brings its own PA, backline and stage lights, sized for any room, from a bar stage to a big hall.
PRESS	CobraCast Podcast, episode 601: The Rik Avalos Band.
VIDEO	Live video on YouTube at @rikavalos.

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