



Steve Lukather of Toto

The College of Rock and Roll Knowledge

Steve Lukather has some comments on the state of the recording business today. Steve was a founding member of **Toto**, has released solo LP's and is one of the most successful studio guitarists in history. He has been involved in thousands of records (if a **Michael Jackson** song has a guitar on it, it's Steve). Here is what he wrote:

"I just want to know something. ALL this pontificating about how Spotify and the like are the 'answer' and how 'the artists get paid' etc. How much? Really? WHO keeps tabs and accounting? Maybe I just don't know. I don't see any money and have A LOT of stuff out there over 35 years of making records.

Have you done the breakdown on what an artist get PER tune on iTunes? Pitiful. Now IF you are with a label its even worse cause they take a huge share of that. The breakdown after all is said and done for most it's pennies.

TOO many people can make records. Period. No catalog artists are made these days. One hit wonders galore. Sad really.

Now record companies don't give budgets like the old days when the great records were made cause they cost MONEY!! They want to make money for nothing and own you for life and a piece of EVERYTHING an artist does. You can sell a million and still OWE them! My 25 year old son has buddies who have platinum records living in a one room studio apartment...Broke.

Of course back 'then' rec. companies cared about MUSIC and nurturing artists for a LONG-term career and long-term money. Sure they got the Lions share but then they invested, believed and promoted it so there was SOME justification.

Now its 'Beats' and how many Facebook hits or YouTube hits you get... ALL which either make NO money or short-term money with no real way to account for it and truly suck for the most part.

What the hell? People want to be famous NOT good! It is TOO easy to play 'pretend pop star' now. With all the fakery and auto tune-time correction -cut and paste etc.. hell most young people don't know how to play a song from top to bottom in a studio in tune and in time and with feeling?? Rare.

I am in the studios all the time and hear the stories from the producers and engineers... and yet NO ONE cares that "so and so" who sold a load of records (how much IS that these days?) cant sing or play.

They make “McRecords” for people who don’t even really listen. It’s background music for people to either find a mate or shake their heads while texting or skyping or doing other things. Environmental noise for the multi-tasker.

Gone are the days of loving , dissecting, discussing the inner workings of ‘AN ALBUM’ ... sitting in silence while it plays.. looking at the liner notes and the few photo’s IN the studio .. imagining what a magic place it must be to make such music...Gone. You need a jewelers eye to read the credits IF one even cares. Most don’t. So if you keep blaming the ‘old antiquated artists’ who are the only REAL ones left.. who MAY make a great record once in awhile but may be overlooked cause the media chooses to care more about who is super gluing meat to their bodies and other ridiculous HYPE and crap to get attention rather than LISTENING hard to the music being made we might be in a different place.

When we were kids (yes I will be 108 this year) there were only a handful or artists and they WERE great cause they HAD to be. You could choose not to like some but outside the teenage fodder most deserved their success and NO ONE sounded alike! No one!

We live in a “McWorld” that moves way too fast and now even the drugs suck. I mean when I was young and got high I never got naked foaming at the mouth and tried to eat someone’s face off.

Time to put on Dark Side of the Moon and chill. Have a nice day and may real music come back and fill our ears... (there IS some great stuff but you know what I mean...)

REAL music played by REAL musicians. They ARE out there. They just don’t get a lot of press anymore, or at all.”

Luke
(Steve Lukather)

Editor’s Note: Over the past (about) 6 years (and 65 years of playing music for money), I have had many people ask why I don’t support anything but LIVE performance... Steve kind of sums it up. I saw this beginning in about 1975 and watched it grow... only to move down here

and see it as 1975 all over again.

There is more damage to come folks as these folks down here that go to bed at 6 or 7 PM have now “yapped” for and got a terribly offensive noise by-law and there is more to come. Some folks can’t let anyone alone.

My flight out of Houston that was to land here at 11:19 PM was cancelled and because of the complete lack of (what use to be called) customer service, I sat all night in the air terminal... reason?... couldn’t land at Guad Airport after 11 PM.

What is the world coming to?

“Always Have Fun”

For the week of May 13th to May 19th, 2019

AROUND THE RESTAURANTS AND BARS

MONDAY

You might want to call **Adelita Bar & Grill** at **766-0097** and make reservations... If you have problems getting reservations, please go down anyway... a lot of people go for supper at 5:30 and leave after the first set, and you can probably get in for the second set and a later dinner. **The Ajijic Jamm Band** with **Jonathan Guzman** on vocals and lead guitar, **Sergio Casas** on vocals and bass and **Chelo González** on drums. Things get underway at **7:30 PM**.

The Jazz Duet with **Juan Castañón** on guitar and **David Perez** on bass, will be playing every Monday morning at **Huerto Café** in Riberas del Pilar starting at **11.30 AM**. Great for starting the week, smooth music for coffee time!

Come see Hawaiian Superman himself at **La Tia Bar & Grill...Louis Pavao** – fun follows Louis around and he calls that fun... Aloha! So go have some Aloha with Louis from **5 to 7 PM**. La Tia Bar is that neat little “open to the street” bar about a block and a half towards the lake from the Ajijic Plaza.

TUESDAY

At **La Bodega de Ajijic Restaurant and Bar** is **Jonathan Guzman** for your listening and dancing pleasure starting at **7 to 9 PM**. Call **766-1002** for reservations.

Go Bistro (less than a block north of the Carretera from the new pawn shop Marcos Castellanos No. 31) will be **Arpa de Chapala** featuring **Jose Armando Rivera** on bass, **Jose Antonio Marquez** on violin, **Jared Jimenez Encarnation** on guitar and **Javier Rayboza Munguia** on harp with two sets from **6:30 to 8:30 PM** during dinner.

WEDNESDAY

La Cima del Copal, out towards San Juan Cosala with the best view of the lake you can imagine, presents the very talented **Jonathan Guzman** on vocals and guitar from **4:30 to 7:30 PM**. Phone **01-387-761-0405** for reservations. Don't forget your camera... an everchanging vista of our beautiful lake.

Go Bistro (less than a block north of the Carretera from the new pawn shop (Marcos Castellanos No. 31) will be **Nexus Harmony** who play Bossa Nova and Swing for your dining pleasure at **GO Bistro** from **6:30 to 8:30 PM**. The group features **Jared Jimenez** on keyboard, **Ramon Luna** on muted trumpet and **Jose Marquez** on violin. Reserve now at **(333) 502-6555**.

Larry Sulky hosts the **Open Mic** at **La Bodega Steakhouse!** It will go from **5 to 7:30 PM** and just see Larry about what you're going to play and with who... this has become a real favorite at Lakeside... bring your friends! Reservations can be made at **766-1002**.

Don Beaudreault plays jazz piano with all the standards, oldies, and show tunes. Enjoy from **Noon to 2 PM** at the **Huerto Cafe**, Hidalgo 212 (Carretera) in Riberas del Pilar.

THURSDAY

You won't want to miss **No Borders** at **El Bar-Co** at **7 PM** with **Tommy Banks** cranking out the funky tunes, **Juan Castañón** on guitar, **Sergio Casas** on bass and vocals and **Chelo González** on drums. Have a very funky night with these very entertaining guys.

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Spend a good time with **Rodrigo Leal** at the piano from **7 PM to 9 PM** at **St. Remy du Lac** in Ajijic. Call **766-0607** for reservations and information. Fine French cuisine and an unforgettable evening.

The **Food Lake Container** has the very talented **Beto Moreno** at **7 PM** every Thursday. They are located about a block west of the 7 Eleven in Riberas. Call **(376) 108-1760** or **(331) 131-3103** (cell). A super unique restaurant with outstanding menu choices... heck there's even a mini playground for the kids!... Try it... you'll like it!

Larry Sulky hosts the **Open Mic** at **El Patio Bar** in Chapala right across from City Hall. It will go from **5 to 7:30 PM** and just see Larry about what you're going to play and with whom... this has become a real favorite at Lakeside... bring your friends!

FRIDAY

The **Iron Horse** has **Golden Hills** for your dancing and listening pleasure... It is also Ladies' Night with specials from 8 to 11 PM... the band starts at **9 PM**.

Adelita Bar & Grill has **Jonathan Guzman** and **Los Traficantes de Ritmo** back on Friday nights! A great mix of Latin, pop, rock, new and old. A great band! They go from **8 to 11 PM**.

Los Telares Restaurant & Bar has live music with **Daniel Cordero** from **6 to 8 PM**. Reserve at **766-0428**. The restaurant is located about a block and a half towards the lake from the Ajijic Plaza.

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The Jazz Duet is at the **Huerto Café** at Hidalgo #212 in Riberas del Pilar at **11:30 AM**.

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"Oui Oui" French restaurant: **"Black Swan with Diamonds"** is performing their balanced blend of North American, Euro & Latin music around **7:30 to 10 PM**. Something for everyone to listen, sing or dance to. Full Cocktail Bar & Extensive Wine List. Next to "La Vie en Rose", the French Bakery & Patisserie downtown, (Independencia, off Colón).

Sabor Del Caribe Cafe is a new Cuban restaurant located at Zaragoza #92 in Ajijic. They will have live entertainment with **Rafa Torres "El Crucito"** with lots of cumbia and traditional songs every Friday night starting at **7:30 PM**. Call **(376) 108-2406** for more information and reservations.

Expect an energetic evening when **Jonathan Baracio's Quartet** performs at 8 p.m. at Cochera Cultural, Javier Mina 49, Ajijic. Baracio will combine contemporary New York jazz and other genres, featuring **Raul Carrillo** on guitar, **Paul Sabarobe** on saxophone and **Esteban Zamora**

on drums. Expect to hear some of Baracio's songs from his album "**Ciclos y Cambios**" (Cycles and Changes). Entrance: 150 pesos.

Tapatio guitarist **Hugo Gracian** performs at the **Centro Cultural Gonzalez Gallo** in Chapala Friday at 7 p.m. After studying classical music with masters such as **Fernando Raúl Martínez Peralta**, **Fernando Corona** and **Sergio Medina**, the award-winning artist has gone on to perform at recitals and festivals in Colombia, Bolivia, Chile, United States, Spain, Italy, Germany and France. Besides putting on fantastic shows, Gracian also teaches music at the University of Guadalajara, as well as the Jose Clemente Orozco Center for Art Education (CEDART) in Guadalajara. Entrance is 100 Pesos.



SATURDAY

The Iron Horse presents **3Times7...** and don't forget to bring your dancing shoes! The fun gets under way at **8:30 PM**.

La Bodega Restaurant & Bar proudly presents for your dining and dancing pleasure none other than **Ricardo y Blanca** with a great mix of music for you. The fun starts at **8:30 PM** and you can reserve at **376-766-1002**. La Bodega is 3 blocks south (towards the lake) of the Carretera from the Pemex gas station in Ajijic.

Don Beaudreault plays jazz piano with all the standards, oldies, and show tunes **every Saturday, 6 to 8 PM** at **Casa Linda** (formerly La Mision Restaurant), Rio Bravo 7, West Ajijic.

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For **Saturdays and Sundays** from **11 AM to Noon** there is live music with **Tradicion All Chapala** at **Casa Libertad** (The CL) at Chulavista122 in San Antonio Tlayacapan. Phone **(332) 026-3026** for more information or reservations.

Sabor Del Caribe Cafe is a Cuban restaurant located at Zaragoza #92 in Ajijic. They will have live entertainment with **Mario & Antonio** playing mariachi music starting at **6:30 PM**. Call **(376) 108-2406** for more information and reservations.

Wayne Watson and **Teresa Trigiani** team up again. Hurray! See more of this duo as they perform for your listening pleasure from **6 to 8 PM** at **Pancho's** in Riberas. Come out for a night of great music and dinner delights hot off the grill.

SUNDAY



It's Sunday so get down to **Los Telares** in Centro (1 and ½ blocks south of the Ajijic Plaza) to hear the song stylings of **Beto Moreno** from **3:30 to 5:30 PM**... nice guy... nice music... nice place.

The **Food Lake Container** has Romantic Instrumental Music at **4 PM** every Sunday. They are located about a block west of the 7 Eleven in Riberas. Call **(376) 108-1760** or **(331) 131-3103** (cell).

Come jam with **Aloha Rock** at **Perry's Pizza** at **4 until 7 PM**. This is an Open Stage so bring your thing and come and sing! Perry's Pizza is just over the crest of the hill in West Ajijic.

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There will be **Musica Mexicana** at **La Bodega de Ajijic** with fun for all... call **766-1002** for reservations. Starts at **5:30 PM**.

LIVE THEATRE



**Lakeside Little Theatre
will be closed until autumn.**

The renovation has begun!

We are very excited to announce that our renovation project is well underway. It is thanks to the generous donations of many

of you that this has been made possible. We look forward to seeing you back at LLT for the first play of Season 55, *Lunenburg*, which opens on November 8, 2019. See below...

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20TH CENTURY BLUES	JANUARY 17 - 26, 2020 Comedy/Drama, by Susan Miller Directed by Kevin Cook Auditions: Nov 8-9, 2019 1 Man, 5 Women	
My Fair Lady <small>(Subject to Rights approval)</small>	FEBRUARY 21 - MARCH 3, 2020 Musical, by Lerner & Loewe Directed by Dave McIntosh Music Direction by Ann Swiston Auditions: Nov 22-23, 2019 5 Men, 3 Women plus chorus	
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The harp festival itself begins on June 5.

Many more harp players from around the country and other nations will be on hand when the **Encuentro** opens for a full day of music **Wednesday, June 5th** at the **Centro Cultural González Gallo**. The outdoor terrace and grassy grounds of the former railway station will be the setting to this off beat music fest. There will be seating available under a large tent and ample space for people bringing their own portable chairs, blankets, picnic gear, snacks and drinks. On subsequent dates, guest musicians extending their visits to Lakeside will likely appear at pop-up events taking place at other local venues.

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I'm back but not in the best of shape... hopefully much better for next week.

I look forward to seeing you... SOON!

Regards,

Francis Dryden

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