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Perth date for Texas music star

COLOURFULLY-NAMED Texan star Townes Van Zandt is at Perth's County Hotel on Friday, May 6.

Blues, folk, country — they've all been thrown into the Van Zandt melting pot over the years. Goldrush Records

The reviews have been ecstatic, with the Houston Post waxing: "Van Zandt is the best songwriter Texas has ever produced.

"Even with the likes of Guy Clark, Lyle Lovett and

Steve Earle around, none of them can do it quite like Van Zandt.

Steve Earle himself has said: "Townes Van Zandt is the best songwriter in the whole world, and I'll stand on Bob Dylan's coffee table in my cowboy boots and say that."

The Texas troubadour is coming to town — so hear for yourself the songs covered by the likes of Willie Nelson, Emmylou Harris and Don Williams.

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