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**AMERICAN AQUARIUM'S THINGS CHANGE RECEIVES CRITICAL PRAISE AND IMPRESSIVE FIRST WEEK REACHING #1 ON TOP NEW ARTISTS, #3 AMERICANA/FOLK, #6 ON THE COUNTRY ALBUMS CHART**

**REVAMPED BAND UNAFRAID OF SPEAKING TRUTH TO THEIR FANS**

*"Things Change' is an unabashed rock & roll record – a snapshot of a band and its reinvigorated leader." – Rolling Stone*

Nashville, TN - *Things Change*, the new album from American Aquarium on New West Records had an impressive first week debut upon release, doubling the first week sales of any previous American Aquarium albums. *Things Change*, an introspective reflection on personal growth and proactive commentary on the current sociopolitical climate in our country reached #1 on the Top New Artists chart, #3 on the Americana/Folk chart, and #6 on the Country Albums Chart.

*Things Change* is being praised by the press, including coverage from a variety of outlets including *NPR Music*, *Rolling Stone*, *Associated Press*, *American Songwriter*, *No Depression*, *Blurt*, *Saving Country Music*, *Nashville Scene* and many more. Front man and songwriter BJ Barham's brutal honesty, on-stage swagger and compelling storytelling are earning him the reputation as a force to be reckoned with. Click [HERE](#) for a full list of accolades.

Since the release of BJ Barham's highly acclaimed solo 2016 release *Rockingham*, Barham completely rebuilt the previous configuration of American Aquarium, the band he helped found nearly a decade ago. The band now features new members, Shane Boeker on lead guitar, Joey Bybee on drums, Ben Hussey on bass, Adam Kurtz on pedal steel and electric guitar with BJ Barham on lead vocals and guitar. For a recap of the band's fiery live show via *Rolling Stone Country* including video coverage of the band covering Bruce Springsteen's "Darkness On The Edge Of Town" click [HERE](#). A full list of upcoming 2018 tour dates are listed below.

*"...he's likable and literate, delivering heavily autobiographical heartland rock with heart on sleeve." – Associated Press*

*"...it's an engaging latest chapter in the ever-evolving, consistently compelling storytelling saga of one of this generation's most overlooked roots country singer-songwriters." – American Songwriter*

*"His brutal honesty is commendable; it takes an unbelievable amount of guts and bravado to bare what Barham does..." – **No Depression***

*"...his best collection of songs to date." – **Blurt***

*"BJ Barham and American Aquarium have finally found their sound, their voice, and released arguably the best record of the band's run, and maybe one of the best of 2018." – **Saving Country Music***

*"Tales of toil, drifting and searching are presented as driving, righteous and well-considered Southern rock." – **Nashville Scene***

### **American Aquarium 2018 Tour Dates**

- June 14 – **Rocky Mount, VA** – Harvester Performance Center
- June 15 – **Washington, D.C.** – 9:30 Club
- June 16 – **Richmond, VA** – The National
- June 17 – **Lexington, KY** – The Burl %\$
- June 19 – **Newport, KY** – Southgate House Revival (Sanctuary) %
- June 20 – **Asheville, NC** – The Grey Eagle %
- June 21 – **Charlotte, NC** – Visulite Theatre %
- June 22 – **Greensboro, NC** – Blind Tiger %
- June 23 – **Raleigh, NC** – Red Hat Amphitheater
- June 25 – **Orlando, FL** – Will's Pub %
- June 26 – **Charleston, SC** – Charleston Pour House %
- June 27 – **Jacksonville, FL** – Jack Rabbits %
- June 28 – **Greenville, SC** – The Radio Room %
- June 29 – **Birmingham, AL** – Saturn %
- June 30 – **Athens, GA** – Georgia Theatre %
- July 26 – **Houston, TX** – The Heights Theatre @
- July 27 – **New Braunfels, TX** – Gruene Hall @
- July 28 – **Dallas, TX** – Statler Ballroom @
- July 29 – **Lubbock, TX** – Cactus Theater
- July 30 – **Roswell, NM** – The Liberty ^
- August 1 – **Taos, NM** – Taos Mesa Brewing ^
- August 2 – **Denver, CO** – Bluebird Theater ^
- August 3 – **Laramie, WY** – The Cowboy Saloon & Dance Hall ^
- August 4 – **Miles City, MT** – Rock'n MC BrewFest
- August 5 – **Helena, MT** – Lewis & Clark Brewery ^
- August 6 – **Bozeman, MT** – Live from the Divide
- August 8 – **Salt Lake City, UT** – The State Room ^
- August 9 – **Challis, ID** – Braun Brothers Reunion Festival
- August 10 – **Post Falls, ID** – Nashville North
- August 11 – **Seattle, WA** – Tractor Tavern ^
- August 13 – **Portland, OR** – Mississippi Studios ^

August 14 – **San Francisco, CA** – Slim's ^  
August 15 – **West Hollywood, CA** – Troubadour ^  
August 16 – **San Diego, CA** – Casbah ^  
August 17 – **Las Vegas, NV** – Beauty Bar ^  
August 18 – **Phoenix, AZ** – The Rebel Lounge ^  
August 25 – **Fayetteville, AR** – Fayetteville Roots Festival

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