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### Profile

Anthony Prater is a singer, songwriter, and musician that has been making music in and around San Antonio/Bexar County for over 25 years. He is self-taught and chooses to rely on his ears first, his gut second, and music theory last. His eclectic taste in music, literature, and film; as well as a love for history and research provide him with plenty of influences and inspiration to draw upon.

### Experience

- **The Poguestra** – (Covers) Vocalist, Lead Guitar, Rhythm Guitar. [Covid Lockdown Virtual Band] (2020 – 2021)
- **Царь Бомба** – (Indie/Experimental Folk) Songwriter, Drummer, Backing Vocalist. (2018 – 2019)
- **Hotel Torgo** – (Indie/Alt Rock) Songwriter, Rhythm Guitarist, Lead Vocalist. (2017 – Present)
- **The Naggins** – (Irish Folk/Rock/Country) Music Director, Rhythm Guitarist, Lead Vocalist. (2016 – Present)
- **¡Nada Más Basura!** – (Ska/Punk) Songwriter, Lead/Rhythm Guitarist, Lead Vocalist. (2009 – 2015)
- **KSYM 90.1 FM** – On Air Talent, Producer of **PUNK ROCK 101 w/ Prater & Ms. Sally**. (2007 – 2010)
- **The Dreadnauts** – (Horror Punk) Songwriter, Lead/Rhythm Guitarist, Backing Vocalist. (2005 – 2009)
- **Dahlia & Her Confessing Sams** – (Rockabilly) Rhythm Guitarist, Backing Vocalist. (2005)
- **Coffin Creeps** – (Psychobilly) Lead Guitarist, Backing Vocalist. (2004)
- **T.W.C.** – (Punk) Songwriter, Rhythm Guitarist, Backing Vocalist. (2004)
- **KSYM 90.1 FM** – On Air Talent, Creator & Producer of **PUNK ROCK 101 w/ Prater**. (2004 – 2005)
- **E.R.P.** – (Punk) Bassist, Backing Vocalist. (2003)
- **The Buzzkills** – (Punk) Songwriter, Lead/Rhythm Guitarist, Vocalist. (2002 – 2005)
- **Object of Vertigo** – (Hard Rock) Songwriter, Bassist, Backing Vocalist. (1999 – 2002)
- **Anthony Prater** - Songwriter, Multi-Instrumentalist, Vocalist, Producer. (1997 – Present)

## Releases

**El Camarón EP** – A five song historic concept album that explores the circumstances and emotions surrounding the case of Clemente Apolinar, the last man executed at the Bexar County Jail in 1923. All Songs written by Anthony Prater. Produced and Engineered by Anthony Prater & Anthony Aguilar. Recorded at Magnifico Media. Guest Performances by Drummer Robert Hernandez, Accordionist Roberto Botello, Guitarist Tahir Naqvi, & Grammy Nominated Accordionist Josh Baca. Released 2/23/2023.

**Hotel Torgo LIVE! at The Starlighter** – A five song EP, recorded Live at The Starlighter in San Antonio 2/5/2022. All songs written by Anthony Prater. Engineered by Jacob Guerrero. Released 5/6/2022.

**¡NMB! EP** – A four song EP recorded in haste before for a DIY Southwest/West Coast tour. All songs written by Anthony Prater. Produced by Anthony Prater, Robert Hernandez, Richard Lopez, & Anthony Aguilar. Recorded at Magnifico Media. Released 3/?/2010.

## In Print

**Altar-ing: Con Much Cariño de San Antonio a Chicago** – Contributor/Poet. Organized by Bonnie Cisneros. Published by Chicago Public Library (2021)

## Highlights

**El Camarón: A Musical History** – San Antonio Public Library Latino Collection & Resource Center – Central Library – 3/25/2023 – Presenter/Performer - Presented songs from my new EP “El Camarón,” covering an often overlooked event in local history. Through my new album, I invite listeners to explore the circumstances surrounding the case of Clemente Apolinar, the last man hanged at the old Bexar County Jail on Camaron Street in 1923. This presentation explored the misconceptions surrounding Apolinar and the case, including racial injustice and the social climate of the times, the damage that familial/community silence and stigma can do to the historical narrative, and the role musical tradition plays in documenting events in our history.

**SA Live – KSAT TV San Antonio** – 2021 – Performer - The Naggins perform for a St. Patrick’s Day themed show.

**Luminaria Contemporary Arts Festival** – Hemisfair Park – 2012 – Performer - Ultraviolet Light Installation. A collaboration between The Scarlet Darlings Burlesque Troupe, Visual Artists Jacob Mena & Jason Lozano, and ¡Nada Más Basura!

**Valdez View - KABB-FOX TV San Antonio** – 2012 – Performer - ¡Nada Más Basura!, interview & performance.

**The Garage - WOAI TV San Antonio** – 2011 – Performer - ¡Nada Más Basura!, interview & performance.

**Do I Look Illegal? Southwest/West Coast Tour** – 2010 – Tour Manager/Performer - ¡Nada Más Basura! & VietRuse jam econo and hit the road for a 4 state, 8 stop tour across the Southwest and West Coast.

## Education

San Antonio College (2004 – 2005) (2007 – 2009)

Holy Cross of San Antonio (1998 – 2003)

## Skills

Pro Tools, Garage Band, Logic Pro X, Tascam 24, Voice, Electric Guitar, Acoustic Guitar, 12 String Guitar, Electric Bass, Upright Bass, Drums, Bodhrán, Banjo, Piano, Chord Organ, Bajo Sexto, Bajo Quinto, Charango, Music Composition, Lyrics, Arranging, Research, Public Speaking, Poetry, Patience, Alliteration.