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THURBY TO FEATURE INFIELD MUSIC PERFORMANCE BY NATHANIEL RATELIFF & THE NIGHT SWEATS

Churchill Downs Opens Thurby Infield General Admission for First Time

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (Monday, March 7, 2022) – Churchill Downs announced today a new Derby Week attraction that will open infield General Admission access for Thurby and feature a music performance by Nathaniel Rateliff & The Night Sweats. Thurby presented by Old Forester is a celebration of music and Kentucky bourbon and has become one of the most exciting ways to experience live racing during Derby Week at Churchill Downs.

Nathaniel Rateliff & The Night Sweats are one of the most recognizable new forces in contemporary rock ‘n’ roll whose mix of soul and rock quickly cemented them as a rare generational band who balanced ecstatic live shows and engrossing and rich records. The octet’s third album, *The Future*, is an instant classic of 11 songs that builds upon their original sound and recognizable zeal to present new and compelling depth and introspection.

“We couldn’t be more excited to expand our Derby Week entertainment with this infield music experience on Thurby,” said Mike Anderson, President of Churchill Downs Racetrack. “As a day that has come to be celebrated as Kentucky’s Day, we’re confident this event will capture the interest of multiple generations and provide another way to make memories with friends and family leading up to the Kentucky Derby. Nathaniel Rateliff & The Night Sweats bring the ideal energy to kick off this new tradition with a sound that captures the spirit of Thurby.”

Gates open for Thurby presented by Old Forester on Thursday, May 5 at 11 a.m. (all times Eastern) with the first race scheduled for 12:45 p.m. General Admission tickets start at \$29 and can be purchased at kentuckyderby.com/visit/derby-week/thurby. All ticket levels for Thurby will have access to the infield music experience. Nathaniel Rateliff & The Night Sweats will take the stage in the afternoon and entertain infield guests between races.

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Website: <http://www.nathanielrateliff.com/>
YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/nathanielrateliff>
Spotify: <https://spoti.fi/2S0gQDN>
Apple Music: <https://apple.co/3eU57Q0>
VIDEO: <https://bit.ly/3GtT2wL>

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