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## KICK OFF SUMMER WITH THE RETURN OF RHETT BUTLER

Sammons Center Presents Acclaimed Guitarist Friday, May 31, 2019

**DALLAS/May 7, 2019** — Taking a brief break from his studies as a third-year student at Texas A&M College of Medicine, acclaimed guitarist Rhett Butler returns to the Sammons Center for the Arts on Friday, May 31, 2019, 8 p.m., as part of the Sammons Discovery series. Butler, who last played at the Sammons Center on March 30, 2017, was recently inducted into the *Buddy Magazine* Texas Tornado Hall of Fame.

Perhaps best known for playing two guitars at the same time, fingering each of the fret boards without needing to strum, Butler's true gift is his mastery of multiple styles. He has played alongside artists such as Eric Johnson, Tommy Emmanuel, Andy Timmons and Joe Satriani. His sound is so full that one critic called one of his live concerts "a completely different universe."

"We are pleased to bring Rhett back to perform another Sammons Discovery concert," said Joanna St. Angelo, the Center's executive director. "The Center launched the Discovery series in June 2016 to present unique local music and musicians. It has become a popular experience because it offers excellent music by talented artists in a historic venue at an affordable price."

Admission is \$40 per person and includes valet parking, light appetizers, beverages and the concert. Sammons members receive a \$5 per person discount; annual memberships begin at \$35. Tickets may be purchased online at [www.sammonsartcenter.org](http://www.sammonsartcenter.org) or by calling (214) 520-7788.

### **About the Sammons Center for the Arts**

The Sammons Center for the Arts was founded in 1981 to renovate the historic Turtle Creek Pump Station, built in 1909 at 3630 Harry Hines Boulevard, and operate it as a multipurpose arts center. After several years of renovation, the Sammons Center opened March 1, 1988. A 501(c)(3) organization, the Sammons Center is home to 14 performing arts groups representing dance, theater, orchestral music and choral music. It provides low-cost office, rehearsal, audition, meeting, workshop and performance space as well as administrative, operational and educational resources to its resident groups and more than 90 other nonprofit cultural organizations. For more information, call (214) 520-7788 or visit [www.sammonsartcenter.org](http://www.sammonsartcenter.org).