

Singer songwriter Brandon Rhyder's new CD, "Conviction," is his third release since starting in the music business in 2001. It's his first as a solo artist and easily his best yet. As he states in his press release, "I named it 'Conviction' simply because of my belief in this record. The songs are great and the production amazing. I love to listen to this record and I will put it in front of anybody in the business and say 'Check this out!" Strong words from such a young artist but the fact is, every word is true. I've heard thousands of CD's in my life and this one ranks up there with some of the best. Pick up a copy of this CD and listen close to "Man of Conviction," "Mr. Soldier" and "Back Roads." Other standout tracks include "Freeze Frame Time" and a hidden bonus track titled "I Love The Rain." Rhyder is definitely a new force to be reckoned with on the Texas music scene. Catch his live show this Saturday night, Nov. 12, at Gruene Hall when he opens for Bleu Edmondson.

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