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Oxford American and Texas Observer Team Up for New South/West e-Newsletter

A special eight-week series curated by editors of both publications

August 3, 2020—As with most borders, the line between where the U.S. South ends and the West begins—or vice versa if you prefer, say, the solitude of Terlingua—isn't entirely clear. And, also like most borders, the liminal space between South and West is a fertile spot for some great writing. That's to say nothing of the spaces and identities firmly in the South or the West. At least that's what the editors of the *Oxford American* and the *Texas Observer* have found over the years.

So we are pleased to announce that the folks at the *OA* and *TxO* have teamed up to bring you an e-newsletter series designed to look more closely at the places we call home, the people who populate them, and the ideas that have in some cases made it all so very mythic. It's called South/West. The series runs in eight parts. Readers can sign-up electronically at OxfordAmerican.org/SouthWest. When they do, the series will spill out over eight successive weeks. Once done, readers will receive a diploma, commemorating this minisession in Southern culture.

We are fairly certain that folks who participate will want more of the same from both magazines, so we've built a special discounted bundle membership to both the *OA* and *TxO* that will land print editions right on readers' doorsteps.

We'd love for you to share this news with your readers. Hell, we'd love for you to join us yourself.

ABOUT THE OXFORD AMERICAN

Founded in 1992, the *Oxford American* (*OA*) is a nonprofit arts organization whose mission is to explore the complexity and vitality of the American South through exceptional writing, music, and visual art.

ABOUT THE TEXAS OBSERVER

The *Texas Observer* is an Austin-based nonprofit news organization known for fearless investigative reporting, narrative storytelling and sophisticated cultural criticism about all things Texan. The nonprofit Texas Democracy Foundation publishes the *Texas Observer* bimonthly magazine and texasobserver.org.

Since its founding in 1954, the *Observer* has covered issues that are often ignored or underreported by other media. We strive to expose injustice and to produce the kind of impact journalism that changes people's lives for the better. Our thoughtful arts and culture coverage recognizes the diversity and talent of Texas' creative community.
