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Colorado Chautauqua announces its 115th Summer Concert Season

Celebrating more than a century of performances, the historic auditorium welcomes returning crowd favorites and artist debuts

BOULDER, Colo. (April 25, 2013) – The Colorado Chautauqua Association (CCA), steward of Boulder's cultural and historical gem the Colorado Chautauqua National Historic Landmark, announces its Summer Concert Series marking its 115th anniversary of entertaining the community. With returning favorites such as Joan Baez, John Hiatt and the Indigo Girls, joining debut performances from Ryan Bingham, Umphrey's McGee and Old Crow Medicine Show, the series spans the interest of any music aficionado. The concerts will take place in the historic [Chautauqua Auditorium](#), which was built in 54 days, just in time for opening day on July 4, 1898, when Chautauqua was founded as a cultural and educational retreat.

The eco-friendly convenience of the free HOP 2 Chautauqua shuttle will be available for all Auditorium concerts. The remainder of the concerts will be announced in waves throughout the spring and summer.

CONCERT SERIES LINE UP:

[The Lomax Project](#) featuring Tim O'Brien, Jayme Stone and friends*

Wednesday, May 15, 7:30 p.m. Tickets: \$25 (CCA members: \$20) On Sale Now.

This concert will be held in the Community House

Join musicians Tim O'Brien (mandolin, fiddle), Greg Garrison (bass), Ron Miles (trumpet), Jayme Stone (banjo), Margaret Glaspy (guitar) and Moira Smiley (vocals) as they premier their newly developed music, created collaboratively over the prior week at Chautauqua, all inspired by the field recordings of Alan Lomax. This program is part of Chautauqua's [Lomax Project](#) and is made possible in part by a generous grant from [Colorado Creative Industries](#) and [Boulder Arts Commission](#).

[Ryan Bingham](#)*

Presented by Nobody in Particular Presents (NIPP)

Friday, May 24, 8:00 p.m., Tickets: \$22.50 - \$45.00 (CCA members: \$19.50 - \$42.00) On Sale Now.

Singer-songwriter Ryan Bingham has made the unlikely journey from rodeo circuit rider to Grammy, Golden Globe and Academy Award winner for the soundtrack to "Crazy Heart," a 2009 Jeff Bridges film featuring Bingham's original song, "The Weary Kind." He was also named the Americana Music Association's 2010 Artist of the Year. This performance will be Bingham's first appearance on the Chautauqua stage. Special guests [The Wild Feathers](#) will open the show.

[An Evening with Joan Baez](#)*

Presented by Nobody in Particular Presents (NIPP)

Saturday, June 1, 8:00 p.m., Tickets: \$45.00 - \$60.00 (CCA members: \$42.00 - \$57.00) On Sale Now.

Joan Baez remains a musical force of nature whose influence is incalculable—marching on the front lines of the civil rights movement with Martin Luther King, inspiring Vaclav Havel in his fight for a Czech Republic, singing on the first Amnesty International tour, and standing alongside Nelson Mandela when the world celebrated his 90th birthday in London's Hyde Park.

[An Evening with Umphrey's McGee](#) *

Presented by Nobody in Particular Presents (NIPP) and Live Nation

Tuesday, June 8, 8:00 p.m. Tickets: \$39.50 (CCA Members: \$36.50) Sold Out.

Fans who have followed Umphrey's McGee for any period of time know that there are only two guarantees: you never know what you're going to get, and Umphrey's always delivers.

Home to one of one of the band's first successful tours outside of the comforts of their Midwestern circuit in the early years, Colorado has always welcomed Umphrey's McGee with open arms. Celebrating their 15 year anniversary as a band, June 8th will mark the band's first time on the historic Chautauqua Auditorium stage.

[Emmylou Harris & Rodney Crowell](#) *

Presented by Nobody in Particular Presents (NIPP)

Tuesday, June 18, 8:00 p.m. Tickets: \$45.00 - \$75.00 (CCA members \$42.00 - \$72.00) On Sale Now.

In celebration of their new collaborative album, "Old Yellow Moon," Emmylou Harris and Rodney Crowell will appear for the first time together on the Chautauqua stage. A 12-time Grammy winner and Billboard Century Award recipient, Harris' contribution as a singer and songwriter spans 40 years. She has recorded more than 25 albums and has lent her talents to countless fellow artists' recordings. In recognition of her remarkable career, Harris was inducted into the Country Music Hall of Fame in 2008. Crowell is a multi-Grammy Award winning songwriter whose songs have been recorded by Johnny Cash, Norah Jones, Etta James and Grateful Dead among others. Crowell's 1988 breakthrough album, "Diamonds and Dirt," generated five #1 singles and a Grammy Award for the song, "After All This Time." His honors also include an ASCAP Lifetime Achievement Award and membership of the Songwriters Hall of Fame.

[An Evening with Richard Thompson](#) *

Presented by Nobody in Particular Presents (NIPP)

Friday, June 21, 8:00 p.m. Tickets: \$30.00 - \$50.00 (CCA members: \$27.00 - \$47.00) On Sale Now.

Richard Thompson's latest album, "Electric," comes in what is arguably his most creatively productive period in a career that stretches back some 45 years to his emergence as a teen guitarist and songwriter with the groundbreaking Fairport Convention—the band that essentially invented the term "English folk-rock." With his dozens of albums consistently high on critics' polls and guitar skills that have earned him a Top 20 spot on Rolling Stone's list of Best Guitarists of All Time, this album and concert are sure to impress.

[Old Crow Medicine Show](#)

Presented by Sherpa/SPC/Nobody in Particular Presents (NIPP)

Tuesday, June 25, 8:00 p.m. Tickets: \$35.00 - \$45.00 (CCA members: \$32.00 - \$42.00)

Old Crow Medicine Show got its start busking on street corners in New York state and up through Canada, winning audiences along the way with their boundless energy and spirit. The band has gone on to tour the world, sell over 800,000 albums, become frequent guests on A Prairie Home Companion, and play renowned festivals like Bonnaroo, Coachella, and the Hardly Strictly Bluegrass Festival. In 2013 Old Crow Medicine Show, along with Mumford & Sons and Edward Sharpe & The Magnetic Zeros, embarked

on the historic Railroad Revival Tour creating a documentary which won the Grammy Award for "Best Long Form Music Video."

[Pink Martini](#)

Presented by Nobody in Particular Presents (NIPP)

Monday, July 8, 8:00 p.m. Tickets: \$40.00 - \$65.00 (CCA members: \$37.00 - \$62.00)

Featuring 10-12 musicians, Pink Martini performs its multilingual repertoire on concert stages and with symphony orchestras around the world. Their debut album, "Sympathique" was released in 1997 and quickly became an international phenomenon. In November 2010 the band released, "Joy To The World"—a festive, multi-denominational holiday album featuring songs from around the globe. In January 2012, bandleader Thomas Lauderdale recorded the Charlie Chaplin song "Smile" with 94-year-old legend Phyllis Diller, which will be released on a future album.

[An Evening with Mary Chapin Carpenter and Marc Cohn On Stage Together](#)

Presented by Nobody in Particular Presents (NIPP)

Tuesday, July 16, 8:00 p.m. Tickets: \$32.50 - \$52.50 (CCA members: \$29.50 - \$49.50)

Acclaimed songwriters Mary Chapin Carpenter and Marc Cohn will share the stage for a very special evening of music. The duo will perform material spanning their vast catalogues as well as some of their favorite songs. Over the course of her career, Carpenter has recorded 12 albums and has sold over 13 million records. With hits like "Passionate Kisses" and "He Thinks He'll Keep Her," she has won five Grammy Awards (with 15 nominations), two CMA awards and two Academy of Country Music awards for her vocals. Her songs speak to the most personal of life's details and the most universal. With his Grammy-award winning ballad "Walking in Memphis," Cohn is one of his generation's most compelling singer/songwriters. Of Cohn, Bonnie Raitt declares, "Marc is one of the most soulful, talented artists I know. I love his songs, he's an incredible singer, and I marvel at his ability to mesmerize every audience he plays for."

[Nitty Gritty Dirt Band](#)

Presented by Nobody in Particular Presents (NIPP)

Monday, July 22, 8:00 p.m. Tickets: \$32.50 - \$55.00 (CCA members: \$29.50 - \$52.00)

The iconic and profoundly influential Nitty Gritty Dirt Band, often cited as a catalyst for an entire movement in Country Rock and American Roots Music, continues to add to their legendary status. With multi-platinum and gold records, strings of top ten hits such as "Fishin' In The Dark" and "Mr. Bojangles," multiple Grammy, IBMA, CMA Awards and nominations, the band's accolades continue to accumulate. Join NGDB (Jeff Hanna, Jimmie Fadden, Bob Carpenter, John McEuen) for a special evening of music as they celebrate the 40-year anniversary and recently remastered vinyl release of the group's landmark album, "Will the Circle Be Unbroken."

[John Hiatt & The Combo](#)

Presented by Nobody in Particular Presents (NIPP)

Saturday, July 27, 8:00 p.m. Tickets: \$37.50 - \$55.00 (CCA members: \$34.50 - \$52.00)

John Hiatt's career as a performer and songwriter has spanned more than 30 years and everyone from Bob Dylan, Eric Clapton, BB King, Bonnie Raitt and Iggy Pop has covered his work. He is called "...one of rock's most astute singer-songwriters of the last 40 years" by the *Los Angeles Times*, and continues to write brilliant character studies, with entertaining storylines, cunning lyrics and wry humor in his new and 21st studio album, "Mystic Pinball." Known for captivating crowds with his exceptional guitar performances and enthusiasm, we look forward to welcoming John Hiatt back to the Chautauqua stage. Special guest [Holly Williams](#) will open the show.

[Paula Poundstone](#)

Presented by Nobody in Particular Presents (NIPP)

Saturday, August 3, 8:00 p.m. Tickets: \$25.00 - \$42.50 (CCA members: \$22.00 - \$39.50)

Armed with nothing but a stool, a microphone and a can of Diet Pepsi, Paula's ability to create humor on the spot has become the stuff of legends. Paula was recently inducted into the Comedy Hall of Fame and has been recognized as one of Comedy Central's 100 Greatest Stand-Ups of All Time. Her razor-sharp wit makes her a perfect fit as a regular panelist on NPR's popular weekly news quiz show, "Wait Wait...Don't Tell Me," and her commentaries have been heard on NPR's "Morning Edition."

[Indigo Girls](#)

Presented by Nobody in Particular Presents (NIPP)

Monday, August 5, 8:00 p.m. Tickets: \$35.00 - \$60.00 (CCA members: \$32.00 - \$57.00)

Summer at Chautauqua wouldn't be complete without the perennial crowd favorite Indigo Girls. Decades into their career, Grammy-winning folk-rock duo, [Indigo Girls](#), still amaze conventional pundits with their ability to grow and thrive no matter the direction of the music industry. On their fourteenth studio album, "Beauty Queen Sister," the Indigo Girls deliver a beautifully crafted batch of songs that revel in the spirited simplicity and rich storytelling that make them crowd favorites year after year. Special guests [von Grey](#) will open the show.

[Elephant Revival](#) with members of the Colorado Festival Orchestra*

Presented by Colorado Music Festival

Tuesday, August 6, 7:30 p.m. Tickets: \$15.00 - \$45.00 (CCA members: \$12.00 - \$42.00) On Sale Now.

This Nederland, Colorado quintet are, needless to say, quite a sound to be experienced - especially when they fall into the pocket of a groove containing elements of gypsy, rock, Celtic, alt-country and folk. For the first time ever they will be performing with members of the Colorado Music Festival (CMF) Orchestra for a not-to-miss "Music Mash-Up" concert - part of a new CMF series where orchestral masterworks meet indie-rock.

[Toad the Wet Sprocket](#)

Presented by Nobody in Particular Presents (NIPP)

Saturday, August 10, 8:00 p.m. Tickets: \$27.50 - \$45.00 (CCA members: \$24.50 - \$42.00)

Toad the Wet Sprocket was born in 1986 when four California teens desperately needed to come up with a name for their band. Since then, they have made five studio albums which combined sold over four million copies, had five major radio hits, and won over audiences across North America and Europe. Since the release of their 2011 Greatest Hits album, "All You Want," Toad the Wet Sprocket has been collaborating in the studio and will be sharing their newly released album with the audience.

[Shawn Colvin](#)

Thursday, August 22, 8:00 p.m. Tickets: \$35.00 - \$55.00 (CCA members: \$32.00 - \$52.00)

Shawn Colvin is one of the leading lights of the so-called "new folk movement" that began in the late '80s. Although she grew out of the somewhat limited "woman with a guitar" school, she kept the form fresh with a diverse approach, avoiding the genre's cliched sentiments and all-too-often formulaic arrangements in favor of a more personal, pop-influenced style. Colvin's debut record won the Grammy Award for Best Contemporary Folk Album in 1991, but it was her 1997 single, "Sunny Came Home," that firmly catapulted her into the mainstream.

[Reinventing Radio: An Evening with Ira Glass](#)

Presented by KUNC

Saturday, September 21, 7:30 p.m. Tickets: \$40.00 - \$100.00 (CCA members: \$37.00 - \$97.00) *\$100 ticket includes pre-performance Meet & Greet reception with Ira Glass.

The creator of the public radio show "[This American Life](#)" talks about his program and how it's put together: what makes a compelling story, where they find the amazing stories for their show, how he and his staff are trying to push broadcast journalism to do things it doesn't usually do. As part of this, Glass mixes stories from the show, live onstage, combining his narration with pre-taped quotes and music, recreating the sound of the show as the audience watches, playing funny and memorable moments from the show, and talking about what was behind their creation.

TICKET INFORMATION:

- All concerts take place in the Chautauqua Auditorium unless otherwise noted
- * **Denotes shows that are on sale now at tickets.chautauqua.com**
- Member Presale and General Public on sale info:
 - Chautauqua Member Pre Sale begins April 26 at 10:00 a.m. online only at tickets.chautauqua.com
 - General Public: May 3 at 10:00 a.m. online only at tickets.chautauqua.com
- Walk up and phone sales begin Monday, May 13. Chautauqua Box Office Kiosk hours: 1- 6 p.m., Monday through Friday, and 1-8 p.m. on Auditorium event days, May 13 - September 30.
- Chautauqua Concert Members receive a discount on select tickets and advance purchase privileges
 - The public is welcome to join as members at anytime to take advantage of early purchase privileges.
- All tickets are subject to a service fee.
- The free HOP 2 Chautauqua shuttle is available for all Auditorium concerts. See individual event listing at www.chautauqua.com for schedule details.

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The Colorado Chautauqua Association is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that preserves, perpetuates and improves the site and spirit of the historic Chautauqua, enhancing its community and values through cultural, educational, social and recreational experiences. The chautauqua experience is based on lifelong learning, love of nature, voluntary simplicity, and music, oration and the arts. Historic significance, traditions, cultural relevance, respite and enrichment are among the community benefits provided by the Colorado Chautauqua. CCA serves as the steward of historic Chautauqua. It leases from the City of Boulder and has full responsibility for preservation and use of 26 acres of Chautauqua Park, home to many public buildings, gardens and 99 cottages, 58 of which are available for rental through the Association. The Colorado Chautauqua was designated a National Historic Landmark in 2006. The Colorado Chautauqua Association is a Scientific & Cultural Facilities District (SCFD) Tier II organization. For more information about the Colorado Chautauqua and the CCA visit www.chautauqua.com or www.facebook.com/coloradochautauqua.

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