



## News Release

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## Additions to Chautauqua summer concert line up announced *Emmylou Harris, Rodney Crowell and Rhiannon Giddens headed to Boulder*

**BOULDER, Colo. (May 12, 2015)** – The Colorado Chautauqua Association, steward of Boulder’s cultural and historical gem the Colorado Chautauqua National Historic Landmark, announces two more additions to its 2015 Summer Concert Series line up. Touring in support of new album releases, **Rhiannon Giddens** (August 13) and **Emmylou Harris and Rodney Crowell** (September 24) will round out the diverse line up that features artists ranging from Xavier Rudd, Keller Williams and the Punch Brothers to Michael McDonald, Gordon Lightfoot, Melissa Etheridge and comedian Margaret Cho.

In addition to the concert line up, the Chautauqua summer series features something for everyone, including six weeks of classical music with the Colorado Music Festival, the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the silent film series with live musical accompaniment, dance performances by the Cleo Parker Dance Ensemble, the 68<sup>th</sup> annual Barbershop Harmony Festival, Ignite Boulder, theatre hikes, talks and more. For a complete list of upcoming events, please visit [chautauqua.com](http://chautauqua.com).

### **RHIANNON GIDDENS**

**Thursday, August 13. 8:00 PM**

**Tickets:** \$30.00 - \$55.00 (\$27.00 - \$52.00 Concert Member)

Known as the lead singer, violinist, banjo player and founding member of the Grammy-winning country, blues and old-time music group Carolina Chocolate Drops, Giddens recently released her debut solo album, “Tomorrow Is My Turn” (February 2015). Produced by T-Bone Burnett, the album includes songs made famous by Patsy Cline, Odetta, Dolly Parton, and Nina Simone, among others.

It was toward the end of the September 2013 “Another Day, Another Time: Celebrating the Music of ‘Inside Llewyn Davis’” concert at New York City’s Town Hall, curated by T Bone Burnett, when Giddens indisputably stole the show. Singing Odetta’s “Water Boy” with, as the New York Times put it, “the fervor of a spiritual, the yips of a folk holler, and the sultry insinuation of the blues,” Giddens brought the star-studded audience to its feet. Many critics have stated that Giddens had the best performance at what was called “the concert of the year.”

### **EMMYLOU HARRIS and RODNEY CROWELL**

**Thursday September 24. 7:30 PM**

**Tickets:** \$45.00 - \$75.00 (\$42.00- \$72.00 Concert Member)

Grammy Award winners Emmylou Harris and Rodney Crowell will be sharing the stage to perform their new album "The Traveling Kind" (release date May 12th) in its entirety from start to finish followed by a greatest hits set. The "Traveling Kind" is the duo's sophomore studio album together. Their first joint release "Old Yellow Moon" (2013) received critical acclaim and the Grammy for Best Americana Album. You do not want to miss this rare, intimate performance with two music icons.

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 winner whose songs have been recorded by Johnny Cash, Norah Jones, Etta James and Grateful Dead among others. His 1988 breakthrough 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.

### 2015 CHAUTAUQUA SUMMER CONCERT SERIES LINE UP

Jun 2 - Xavier Rudd & The United Nations  
Jun 12 - Keller Williams & The Keels  
Jun 13 - The Weepies  
Jun 19 - Ry Cooder - Sharon White - Ricky Skaggs  
Jun 23 - Gordon Lightfoot  
Jun 26 - Margaret Cho  
Jul 8 - Jazz at Lincoln Center Orchestra featuring Wynton Marsalis  
Jul 13 - Boz Scaggs  
Jul 14 - Patty Griffin, Mavis Staples, & Amy Helm  
Jul 15 - Indigo Girls  
Jul 18 - Peter Kater & R. Carlos Nakai  
Aug 3 - Ziggy Marley  
Aug 5 - Melissa Etheridge - This Is M.E. Solo  
Aug 13 - Rhiannon Giddens - embargoed until May 2  
Aug 14 - Michael McDonald  
Aug 15 - Robert Cray Band  
Aug 21 - Steve Earle & The Dukes  
Sep 1 - Punch Brothers  
Sep 19 - John Hiatt & The Combo / The Taj Mahal Trio  
Sep 24- Emmylou Harris and Rodney Crowell

#### **TICKET INFORMATION:**

- All events take place in the historic Chautauqua Auditorium (b.1898)
- Member Presale and General Public on sale info for Emmylou Harris and Rodney Crowell and Rhiannon Giddens:
  - Chautauqua Concert Member Presale begins May 13 at 10:00 a.m. online only at [tickets.chautauqua.com](http://tickets.chautauqua.com)
  - General Public: May 15 at 10:00 a.m. online only at [tickets.chautauqua.com](http://tickets.chautauqua.com)

- The Chautauqua Box Office Kiosk opens May 18 for phone and walk-up sales. Hours: 1 - 6 p.m., Monday through Friday, and 1 - 8 p.m. on Auditorium event days. 303.440.7666.
- Chautauqua Concert Members receive a discount on select tickets and advance purchase privileges.
  - The public is welcome to join as members at any time to take advantage of early purchase privileges and discounts.
- 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](http://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](http://www.chautauqua.com) or [www.facebook.com/coloradochautauqua](http://www.facebook.com/coloradochautauqua). For access to historic or event photos, or to arrange interviews with executive director Susan Connelly, please contact Ann Obenchain at [ann.obenchain@chautauqua.com](mailto:ann.obenchain@chautauqua.com) or 303.952.1645.*