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Chautauqua's Mary H. Galey Cottage Fuses History and Modernity for Unique Vacations
and Retreats

Three-year restoration prioritizes accessibility, sustainability, and thoughtful design

BOULDER, Colo. (August 2020) - The Colorado Chautauqua Association (CCA) announced today that the Mary H. Galey Cottage is now available for vacation, corporate, and private event bookings after an intensive, three-year rehabilitation. The space will also serve as a "Green Room" for visiting performers and musicians, including 2021 Summer Concert Series guests, David Crosby, The Indigo Girls and Keb 'Mo.

This 2,100 square foot private cottage sleeps up to 12 and can host up to 40 people for events. It was designed by local architect John Blanchard for the Hindman-Galey family in 1925. The property was then passed down through the Galey family for nearly a hundred years until it was purchased by CCA in 2017. The cottage is named after Mary H. Galey in honor of her vital role in protecting Chautauqua from the twin threats of demolition and development during the 1970s.

"If someone from a hundred years ago walked into the cottage now, they might marvel at some of the more high-tech features, but they would also feel at home. With its reclaimed floors, lime washed walls, fir trim, classic marble countertops, subway tile, light fixtures that reference the gaslights of the 1920's, and historic furnishings, the cottage would feel familiar, comfortable and welcoming. Someone from a hundred years in the future would feel at home as well, impressed that a nearly 200-year-old house could be so beautiful, functional and accessible." - Shelly Benford, CEO, Colorado Chautauqua Association

The cottage's open-plan layout offers sleeping, lounging, outdoor and entertaining spaces on the ground and upper level. It is both ADA welcoming with accessible showers, kitchen appliances and a concealed elevator, and "Energy-Star certified," incorporating sustainable features like low-flow plumbing, a high-efficiency whole house air circulation system, and abundant natural light.

Guests can unplug, surrounded by spectacular 360-degree views of Boulder and the Flatirons, while also enjoying the period furnishings, catering-grade kitchen, large dining area, two wet bars and baby grand piano. They can also browse an exciting collection of contemporary art donated by well-known Colorado artists. Families and groups can also make use of Chautauqua's many other amenities, including access to 40 miles of trails, the Chautauqua Dining Hall with its wraparound porch, two tennis courts, a basketball court, children's playground and formal gardens.

"We are excited to welcome our first guests to the Mary H. Galey Cottage and look forward to helping them create uniquely memorable celebrations, vacations, business retreats and "Only at Chautauqua" experiences. This property is ideal for families and groups seeking a very different lodging and retreat option. Choosing it signals that guests value historical preservation, voluntary simplicity, access to nature and thoughtful design." - Wanona Tara, Chautauqua Director of Hospitality Sales

For more information, to arrange an in-person or virtual tour or to reserve the Mary H. Galey Cottage, please email: sales@chautauqua.com or call: 303 952 1612