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MARY CHAPIN CARPENTER AND SHAWN COLVIN AT THE KAUFFMAN CENTER

Performing as an intimate duo, Mary Chapin Carpenter and Shawn Colvin come to Kansas City on October 10

Kansas City, MO – Acclaimed singer-songwriters Mary Chapin Carpenter and Shawn Colvin will perform at the Kauffman Center for the Performing Arts in Helzberg Hall on October 10, as part of the 2019-2020 *Kauffman Center Presents* series.

Carpenter and Colvin—friends for more than 30 years—will appear on stage together as an intimate acoustic duo, swapping songs and sharing stories. This special show will feature the acclaimed songwriters performing material from their vast catalogues as well as some of their favorite songs. Carpenter and Colvin previously toured together in 2013 to the delight of both fans and critics. Audiences were invited to share the artists’ “living room” as they played music and traded quips in a warm, comfortable setting inspired by the duo’s long-lasting camaraderie.

Tickets for *Mary Chapin Carpenter and Shawn Colvin* range from \$39 to \$89, plus applicable fees.

VIP tickets are available for \$175, plus applicable fees, and include:

- One premium reserved ticket located in the first 10 rows
- Collectible tour lithograph autographed by Mary Chapin Carpenter and Shawn Colvin
- Mary Chapin Carpenter and Shawn Colvin journal notebook and pen
- Specially designed Mary Chapin Carpenter and Shawn Colvin tote bag
- Exclusive Mary Chapin Carpenter and Shawn Colvin bookmark

Tickets go on sale to the public at 10 a.m. Tuesday, April 23 and will be available through the Kauffman Center Box Office at (816) 994-7222, via the Kauffman Center mobile app, or online at www.kauffmancenter.org.

ABOUT MARY CHAPIN CARPENTER

Over the course of her acclaimed career, Mary Chapin Carpenter has sold more than 14 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, two Academy of Country Music awards and is one of only 15 female members of the Nashville Songwriters Hall of Fame. Her songs speak to the most personal of life’s details and the most universal. Carpenter’s most recent release, *Sometimes Just the Sky*, a celebration of her acclaimed 30-year recording career, features new versions of some of the singer’s most beloved songs plus one newly-penned track. Of the music, *Billboard* praises “...the new rendition features not only different flavors and textures created by the players but also a deeper meaning within the lyrics, which hold up 30 years later.”

ABOUT SHAWN COLVIN

Shawn Colvin won her first GRAMMY award for Best Contemporary Folk Album with her debut album, *Steady On*, in 1989. She has been a mainstay of the contemporary folk music scene ever since, releasing 12 superlative albums and establishing herself as an enduring talent. Her songs are slow-release works of craft and catharsis that become treasured, lifetime companions for their listeners. Colvin triumphed at the 1998 GRAMMY Awards, winning both Record and Song of the Year for “Sunny Came Home.” Her inspiring and candid memoir, *Diamond In The Rough*, was published in 2012. Colvin was recently recognized for her career accomplishments when she was honored with the 2016 Lifetime Achievement Trailblazer Award by the Americana Music Association. Presenting her with this prestigious award was Bonnie Raitt, saying “She’s simply one of the best singers I’ve ever heard—and a truly gifted and deep songwriter and guitarist... She was groundbreaking when she emerged and continues to inspire me and the legions of fans and other singer-songwriters coming up in her wake.” In Sept. 2019, to commemorate the 30th anniversary of the release of *Steady On*, Colvin will release a special, newly-recorded all acoustic version of that landmark album.

KAUFFMAN CENTER PRESENTS SERIES SCHEDULE*

The *Kauffman Center Presents* series features extraordinary and diverse artists from a variety of musical genres and performance styles. Upcoming events include:

2018-2019 Kauffman Center Presents events:

- Tuesday, April 30 – National Geographic Live: Day To Night – 7:30 p.m., Muriel Kauffman Theatre
- Tuesday, June 4 – National Geographic Live: Adventures Among Orangutans – 7:30 p.m., Muriel Kauffman Theatre
- Tuesday, June 11 – Snarky Puppy – 7:30 p.m., Muriel Kauffman Theatre
- Friday, June 28 – Napoleon Dynamite: A Conversation with Jon Heder (Napoleon Dynamite), Efren Ramirez (Pedro) and Jon Gries (Uncle Rico) – 7:30 p.m., Muriel Kauffman Theatre

2019-2020 Kauffman Center Presents events:

- Tuesday, July 9 – An Evening with Jane Fonda – 7:30 p.m., Muriel Kauffman Theatre
- Friday, August 23 – Iyanla Vanzant: *Acts of Faith Remix Tour* – 8 p.m., Muriel Kauffman Theatre
- Tuesday, October 1 – The Kingdom Choir – 7 p.m., Helzberg Hall
- Tuesday, October 1 – Jack Hanna’s *Into the Wild Live!* Presented by Nationwide – 7:30 p.m., Muriel Kauffman Theatre
- Wednesday, October 9 – Béla Fleck, Zakir Hussain & Edgar Meyer – 7 p.m., Helzberg Hall
- Thursday, October 10 – Mary Chapin Carpenter and Shawn Colvin – 7 p.m., Helzberg Hall

*Events announced to date. Additional performances will be announced throughout the 2019-2020 season. Updates are available at www.kauffmancenter.org/events-tickets/kauffman-center-presents/.

ABOUT THE KAUFFMAN CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS

The Kauffman Center for the Performing Arts – a major not-for-profit center for music, opera, theater and dance designed by Moshe Safdie – opened in 2011. Serving as a cultural cornerstone for Kansas City and the region, the Kauffman Center

delivers extraordinary and diverse performing arts experiences. Honored as one of the World's 15 Most Beautiful Concert Halls, the Kauffman Center attracts some of the world's most renowned performers and entertainers.

Through educational outreach programs and community enrichment, the Kauffman Center supports Kansas City as a cultural destination. More information on the Kauffman Center for the Performing Arts is available at kauffmancenter.org.

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