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COUNTRY SINGER SARA EVANS TO PERFORM AT THE KAUFFMAN CENTER

*Evans will join rising stars RaeLynn and Kalie Shorr on March 15 in Muriel Kauffman Theatre;
the concert is part of the 2017-2018 Kauffman Center Presents series*

Kansas City, MO – Country singer Sara Evans brings her *All The Love Tour* to the Kauffman Center on Thursday, March 15. Part of CMT’s Next Women of Country program, the concert will also feature up-and-coming country stars RaeLynn and Kalie Shorr. This event is part of the 2017-2018 *Kauffman Center Presents* series.

Sara Evans has had five No. 1 singles, sold millions of records, won the Academy of Country Music’s Top Female Vocalist Award and claimed a Country Music Association trophy for her signature song, “Born To Fly.” **RaeLynn** got her start as a contestant on *The Voice*; her first studio album debuted at No. 1 on the Billboard Country Albums chart in March. **Kalie Shorr** is a member of CMT’s Next Women of Country Class of 2018.

Tickets for [“CMT Next Women of Country presents: Sara Evans – All The Love Tour, featuring RaeLynn and Kalie Shorr”](#) range from \$39 to \$79 plus applicable fees, and go on sale to the public at 10 a.m. Friday, Dec. 22. VIP packages will also be available for purchase. Tickets 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 CMT’S NEXT WOMEN OF COUNTRY

First launched in 2013, CMT’s “Next Women of Country” continues to grow with confident and talented female singer-songwriters who are taking the country music world by storm. The campaign emphasizes undiscovered female artists. Several alumnae – Kacey Musgraves, Brandy Clark, Cassadee Pope and Ashley Monroe included – have achieved both commercial and critical acclaim. Since 2015, the franchise has promoted female-fueled tours at more than 40 dates with Kelsea Ballerini, Brandy Clark, Lindsay Ell, Jana Kramer, Martina McBride, Jennifer Nettles and Tara Thompson.

ABOUT SARA EVANS

Multi-platinum entertainer Sara Evans is at the top of her game. With five No. 1 Country singles including “No Place That Far,” “Suds In The Bucket,” “A Real Fine Place To Start,” “Born to Fly,” and “A Little Bit Stronger,” Evans thrills audiences across the U.S. playing close to 100 shows each year. Her “stunning, country voice” (*Rolling Stone*) has earned her the prestigious Academy of Country Music Top Female vocalist accolade as well as numerous American Music Awards, Billboard Music Awards, Country Music Association, CMT and Grammy Awards nominations. Evans continues to forge a bold, creative path with the launch of Born To Fly Records, and her eighth studio album, *Words*, which debuted at No. 2 on Billboard’s Top Country Albums Chart.

For more information on Sara Evans, visit SaraEvans.com and ARealFinePlace.com and engage with her on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#).

ABOUT RAELYNN

Recently named a “Best Country Album of 2017” by both *UPROXX* and *Rolling Stone*, RaeLynn released her Warner Bros. / Warner Music Nashville No. 1 debut *WildHorse*, produced by Jimmy Robbins and Nicolle Galyon, earlier this year to substantial critical acclaim. Featuring lead single “Love Triangle” and the widely-praised “Lonely Call,” the album includes 11 tracks co-written by RaeLynn, and is a broad look into the singer’s life since her 2012 breakthrough on NBC’s hit show, *The Voice*. Selected as a 2017 “Country Artist to Watch” by Pandora and *Billboard* and a CMT *Next Women of Country* inductee, RaeLynn has tallied 195 million plus cumulative career streams.

ABOUT KALIE SHORR

Kalie Shorr burst onto the Nashville music scene in 2016 with her self-penned hit “Fight Like A Girl”. The Portland, Maine singer-songwriter became a Sirius XM Highway Find and was praised by Spotify, CMT, Radio Disney Country, *Taste of Country*, and even *Billboard* magazine. In 2017, Kalie released her *Slingshot* EP to rave reviews and was named “New Artist You Need to Know” by *Rolling Stone*, “The New Nashville” by *Teen Vogue*, and one of “2017’s Hottest Artists Under 25” by *Taste of Country*. With a new EP coming in early 2018, Kalie was recently inducted into CMT’s Next Women of Country Class of 2018.

KAUFFMAN CENTER PRESENTS SERIES SCHEDULE*

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

- Tuesday, January 9 – *National Geographic Live*: Brian Skerry – Ocean Wild – 7:30 p.m., Muriel Kauffman Theatre
- Tuesday, February 6 – *National Geographic Live*: Florian Schulz – Into the Arctic Kingdom – 7:30 p.m., Muriel Kauffman Theatre
- Sunday, February 18 – Peter Cetera – 7 p.m., Muriel Kauffman Theatre
- Tuesday, March 6 – *National Geographic Live*: Cristina Mittermeier – Standing at the Water’s Edge – 7:30 p.m., Muriel Kauffman Theatre
- Thursday, March 15 – CMT Next Women of Country Presents: Sara Evans – *All the Love Tour*, featuring RaeLynn and Kalie Shorr – 7:30 p.m., Muriel Kauffman Theatre
- Friday, March 16 and Saturday, March 17 – *Riverdance – The 20th Anniversary World Tour* – 7:30 p.m. March 16; 2:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. March 17, Muriel Kauffman Theatre
- Tuesday, May 1 – *National Geographic Live*: Terry Virts – View from Above – 7:30 p.m. May 1, Muriel Kauffman Theatre
- Tuesday, June 5 – *National Geographic Live*: Pete McBride & Kevin Fedarko – Between River and Rim – 7:30 p.m., Muriel Kauffman Theatre

*Events announced to date. Additional performances will be announced throughout the 2017-2018 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.

Thanks to Kauffman Center Presents series sponsors for their generous support of the 2017-2018 season: Saint Luke’s Health System, PNC Bank, and Aristocrat Motors and Mercedes-Benz of Kansas City.

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