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## **KAUFFMAN CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS ANNOUNCES JOSH TURNER**

*Josh Turner will perform in Muriel Kauffman Theatre on May 22 as part of the  
2014-2015 Kauffman Center Presents season*

Kansas City, MO – Today, the Kauffman Center for the Performing Arts announced one of country music’s most recognizable hit-makers, Josh Turner, will perform on Friday, May 22nd at 7:30 p.m. in Muriel Kauffman Theatre. Josh Turner is a double-platinum-selling singer, songwriter and disciple of traditional country music. Tickets range from \$39 to \$79 and will go on sale Tuesday, March 10th.

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](http://www.kauffmancenter.org).

### **ABOUT JOSH TURNER**

Multi-platinum MCA Nashville recording artist Josh Turner is one of country music’s most recognizable hit-makers. With a rich, deep voice and distinctive style, Turner has sold more than 12 million recordings, is a disciple of traditional country music and is one of the youngest members of the Grand Ole Opry. From his 2003 Platinum-selling debut "Long Black Train" to his most recent 2012 Billboard No. 1 release "Punching Bag," Turner has garnered multiple GRAMMY, CMA, and ACM nominations. Turner’s hits include “Your Man,” “Why Don’t We Just Dance,” “Firecracker,” “Would You Go with Me,” “All Over Me,” and “Time Is Love,” the most played country song of 2012.

Turner recently added author to his list of accomplishments. His first book, *Man Stuff: Thoughts on Faith, Family and Fatherhood* was released April 29, 2014. The Hannah, S.C. native has been songwriting and performing since he was a young child, and in support of music education, created The Josh Turner Scholarship Fund to assist students interested in pursuing a future in arts and music. As a high school student, Turner had very little access to music education, therefore realizes first-hand the importance of arts education in schools.

Turner released his fifth studio album, *Punching Bag* on June 12, 2012 which debuted at No. 1 on the Billboard Country Albums Chart. The debut single, “Time is Love” was #1 on the Best of 2012 Billboard Country Chart. The Associated Press says, “With *Punching Bag*, Turner once again proves he ranks among the most effective -- and most hard-core country -- performers of his generation.”

### **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](http://kauffmancenter.org).

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