

THE KERRVILLE FOLK FESTIVAL 45 YEARS AND COUNTING

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The Kerrville Folk Festival has reached another milestone! Our 45th annual Festival, May 26 - June 12, 2016. We are pleased and humbled to continue honoring songwriters from all over the world. As our Founder Rod Kennedy believed, 'We are saving the world one song at a time'. We still believe it!



First Weekend - Moors & McCumber, Jimmy LaFave, Johnsmith, Billy Jonas, Randall Bramblett, The Deer, Del Barber, Kenny White, Cheryl Wheeler, Brother Sun, Steel Wheels, Vance Gilbert, this month's Cover Girl - Terri Hendrix, Slaid Cleaves, Mary Gauthier, Ruthie Foster



The Grassy Hill Kerrville New Folk competition concerts are on Saturday May 28 and Sunday May 29. The 32 Finalists will perform the 2 songs they were chosen for at the Threadgill Theater for a panel of 3 judges, Johnsmith, Kenny White and Cheryl Wheeler. The 6 Award Winners will perform in concert on Sunday June 5.

Second Weekend - Dana Louise & the Glorious Birds, Berkley Hart, B Sterling, Trout Fishing in America, Rev. Robert B Jones, Lance Canales, Dala, Peter Rowan, Tom Ball & Kenny Sultan, Wheatfield.

This issue we are dedicating the column to announcing our schedule so far and telling you about a special concert with the Kerrville Symphony Orchestra.

Third Weekend - Bill Hearne Trio, Michael Hearne, Ryanhood, Matt Nakoa, Bobby Bridger, David Amram, Ari Hest, Judy Collins, Kerrville Symphony Orchestra.



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We will continue to announce as the confirmations and contracts are finished.

Every five years we close the Festival with a concert by a symphony orchestra to celebrate and remember those we have lost during those years. This year the list will include our Founder and Producer Rod Kennedy who we lost 2 years ago come April 14th. We are very excited that the Kerrville orchestra is available to participate! The evening will be conducted by American composer, conductor, multi-instrumentalist, and author David Amram and will feature 2 songs with Judy Collins, 2 songs with Matt Nakoa and 2 compositions by David Amram.

In addition to the concerts we have schools and workshops for Songwriters, Blues Guitar, Harmonica and Ukulele Faculties and they are ready to accept registrants.



Tickets are still at a discount so just go to <http://www.kerrville-music.com> and click on BUY TICKETS and join us for the 2016 Kerrville Folk Festival!!!

You can join our mailing list for updates and specials by going to http://www.kerrville-music.com/mailling_list.htm. Join us to experience the music, the family, the legacy!

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