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COLORADO MUSIC FESTIVAL SPONSORS JOSHUA ROMAN FOR INNOVATIVE PROGRAMS

Cellist, TED Senior Fellow Joshua Roman, innovative at the Conference on World Affairs and CMF & CMA

Boulder, CO – The Colorado Music Festival & Center for Musical Arts (CMF & CMA) is proud to sponsor American cellist and TED Senior Fellow Joshua Roman as part of the 68th Annual Conference on World Affairs (CWA). Joshua Roman will be participating in 4 panels in 2 days (April 4-5) on the CU Campus. Roman's schedule is as follows:

Improv in Art and Music (#531) – Monday, April 4 at noon, CU – UMC 235

Performance - Strings & Circuits (#542) – Tuesday, April 5 at 11AM, CU – ATLAS Black Box

Jazz Rehearsal - Location #2 (TBD) (#811) - all day Tuesday, April 5

Jazz Concert (#812) – Tuesday, April 5 at 7:30PM, CU – Macky Auditorium

Please visit www.colorado.edu/cwa/ for the full details.

"Joshua Roman is truly leading a revolution in the way classical music is conceived and presented. His adventurous ideas have garnered national recognition and we are thrilled to be able to introduce his innovative concepts to the Boulder community and further contribute to our community's ongoing artistic dialogue through his participation in CWA," says Melissa Fathman, Interim Executive Director of CMF & CMA.

Winner of 10 ASCAP awards for adventurous programming, CMF continues its bold and innovative trajectory by further engaging Senior TED Fellow Joshua Roman as curator for the new "ArC/Artistic Currents" series to debut in July during the 2016 Colorado Music Festival. The series unites leading figures from various disciplines including music, literature, and modern dance in three engaging and thought-provoking programs exploring crucial themes of identity, inclusiveness, diversity, and community, while celebrating the many cultures of our world. Featured artists of the series include Pulitzer Prize winner Tracy K. Smith, deemed by the Academy of American Poets as one of the most important poets of our time, and spoken-word poet, dancer, and playwright, Marc Bamuthi Joseph.

Joshua Roman will also appear as a presenting artist for the Colorado Music Festival's 2016 Season. Friday, July 15, 7:30 pm at Chautauqua Auditorium (900 Baseline Rd., Boulder), Roman teams up with pianist Orion Weiss and CMF musicians, including concertmaster, Calin Lupanu for a concert entitled *21st Century Virtuosos*. Please visit www.comusic.org for more details.

For more information about CMF's sponsorship for Joshua Roman's appearances for CWA and CMF & CMA, please contact Melissa Fathman, Interim Executive Director at 303.665.0599 x 105 or fathman@comusic.org.

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About Joshua Roman Cellist and TED Senior Fellow

Looking ahead to a multifaceted year, Roman, 32, will begin a residency with the Los Angeles Chamber Orchestra during April. Additionally, he's pursuing his creative vision as Artistic Director of TownMusic at Town Hall Seattle and as Artistic Advisor of Seattle's Second Inversion. His plans for TownMusic include a presentation of his own song cycle based on Tracy K. Smith's book of poems, *Life on Mars*, with soprano Jessica Rivera.



As a cultural leader using digital platforms to harness new audiences, the Oklahoma City native has collaborated with photographer Chase Jarvis on Nikon video projects, and *Paste* magazine singled out Roman and DJ Spooky for their cello and iPad cover of Radiohead's "Everything in Its Right Place," created for the Voice Project. Roman has also worked with established musical artists like Michael Tilson Thomas, Yo-Yo Ma and the Assad Brothers, among others; as well as artists outside the musical community, including choreographer Bill T. Jones and his co-creation of "On Grace" with Tony Award-nominated actress Anna Deavere Smith, a work for actor and cello. For more information about Roman's varied projects and upcoming performances, visit www.joshuaroman.com.

About the Colorado Music Festival & Center for Musical Arts

Under the artistic leadership of Music Director Jean-Marie Zeitouni, the Colorado Music Festival & Center for Musical Arts (CMF & CMA) combines a world-class summer music festival and a community music school under one organizational umbrella. CMF & CMA enriches the lives of tens of thousands of individuals annually by presenting the best of the world's music through performance and education. Founded in 1976 by renowned Viennese conductor and violinist Giora Bernstein, the Colorado Music Festival is one of the world's premier summer music festivals, comprising musicians from many of North America's finest symphony orchestras. CMF & CMA is a member of the League of American Orchestras and the National Guild for Community Arts Education.

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