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Family-Friendly Concerts at Lafayette's Center for Musical Arts Take Down the Door, The Railsplitters & Monocle band and The Haunted Windchimes

(Lafayette, Colo.) – February 9, 2015 – The Kaleidoscope Concert Series returns on Feb. 21, 2015 with a free family concert at 5:00 p.m. and a full ticketed concert at 7:30 p.m. at the Center for Musical Arts.

The first of three Kaleidoscope concerts begins with Celtic band Take Down the Door. Having worked with major artists such as Jeff Austin of Yonder Mountain String Band and Celtic super group Gaelic Storm, you can expect nothing less than stellar musicianship from this Boulder County band. Take Down the Door presents foot-stomping, heartstopping traditional Irish dance tunes and songs that will get visitors out of their chair and dancing in the aisle.

The evening begins at 5:00 p.m. with a free family concert that allows kids to sing, dance and meet the band. This fun and interactive show gives a glimpse into how each instrument contributes to the band as a whole and also provides time for Q&A with the band members. The full concert begins at 7:30 p.m. Both performances take place in our intimate, newlyrenovated performance space.

"We are very excited about the entire line-up. All four bands come to us with a reputation for putting on excellent shows that engage the audience and get people excited about the music they're listening to. That matches our mission and vision perfectly, so we're thrilled to be bringing these shows to our audience," says Center for Musical Arts Director, Ethan Hecht.



Take Down the Door



The Railsplitters Credit Woodruff Laputka

The second Kaleidoscope concert is a double feature showcasing The Railsplitters and Monocle Band on March 14. From their home in the Colorado Rockies, The Railsplitters have been scaling new heights with a refreshing and charming range of Bluegrass and beyond-Bluegrass tunes. Monocle Band, formed in the musically fertile slopes of Colorado's Front Range, offers a fresh and vibrant take on roots acoustic music, creating a new genre they call "Rocky Mountain Indie Folk."

The last show in the line-up features The Haunted Windchimes on April 11. The Haunted Windchimes gather inspiration from traditional folk and American roots music and are said to be "Pueblo's Best Export Since Steel."

Tickets start are \$15 for adults; \$12 for students and seniors. Center for Musical Arts students receive admission for only \$1 and family concerts are free. Tickets can be purchased online at http://www.comusic.org/buy-tickets/ or by calling 303-665-0599 x109.

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