IT’S A ROCKY MOUNTAIN CHRISTMAS IN LONE TREE
John Denver Holiday Concert Offers Nostalgic Taste of Days Gone By

LONE TREE, CO – Searching for a glimpse of a sweet, simple Christmas-gone-by? Find yourself transported to small-town Aspen in 1975 as John Denver and Dan Wheetman perform holiday tunes for friends around the fireplace. Lone Tree Arts Center presents John Denver Holiday Concert December 11-16 as a tribute not only to the great singer/songwriter, but also to that bygone era.

Bringing together top musicians from around the country, John Denver Holiday Concert was conceived and created by noted playwright and director Randal Myler and former John Denver band member Dan Wheetman. The team has collaborated for 25 years and has garnered numerous awards as a duo, including Tony nominations for Best Musical and Best Book of a Musical for It Ain’t Nothin’ But the Blues. Staying true to the legend the show memorializes, Myler said, “We just wanted this to be simple. Nostalgic. Really just showcasing the great music.”

Wheetman will take the stage as both musical director and band member for the concert, leading an all-star cast. Lead vocals will be sung by Broadway veteran Jim Newman, who sang in the original cast of Almost Heaven: The Songs of John Denver as well as the original cast of this holiday show. Recording artist Gail Bliss will also join in on vocals, adding her signature Patsy Cline-like touch to the show. Seattle musicians David Miles Keenan and Nova Karina Devonie will be taking up six different instruments between the pair. “Joy to the World” (3 Dog Night) composer and Andy
Williams Show comedian/musician David P. Jackson rounds out the cast on upright bass.

The concert features dozens of Denver’s holiday favorites like “Aspen Glow” and “Christmas for Cowboys” as well as classic hits like “Rocky Mountain High” and “Annie’s Song”. Denver fans are sure to enjoy this delightful tribute as they enter the holiday season.

With only EIGHT performances, fans should book early. Tickets start at $29 and can be purchased through www.LoneTreeArtsCenter.org or by calling 720-509-1000 Monday-Friday from 10:00am to 4:00pm.

The Lone Tree Arts Center is a professional, innovative and environmentally friendly venue. LTAC operates a dynamic model for the performing arts by collaborating with some of the premier Front Range performing arts companies to present their productions in Lone Tree as well as presenting national and regional tours. LTAC has quickly discovered its place as a new provider of arts education programs for children and an important meeting and event rental site for corporate, civic, private, and community arts groups.

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