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# COLORADO SYMPHONY ANNOUNCES 24TH COLORADO SYMPHONY BALL "ROCK AND ROLL ROYALTY" AT DENVER'S HISTORIC FILLMORE AUDITORIUM

Nov. 29, 2016 – Denver, CO – The Colorado Symphony announces the return of the Colorado Symphony Ball, themed "Rock and Roll Royalty," to be held on Saturday, April 29, 2017, at 6:00 p.m. at Denver's historic Fillmore Auditorium. The Colorado Symphony is honored to welcome Ms. Linda Shoemaker and Mr. Stephen M. Brett as event co-chairs, and Governor John Hickenlooper, First Lady Robin Pringle Hickenlooper, Mayor Michael B. Hancock, and First Lady Mary Louise Lee as honorary co-chairs.

Local rock band Tracksuit Wedding, co-founded and helmed by lifelong friends Libby Anschutz and Ali Frankfurt, returns to the Fillmore's stage along with the Colorado Symphony's full orchestra. "We are eager to partner with the Symphony on their annual Gala, and hope that our participation helps them raise the funds they need to support their many wonderful programs," says Anschutz.

Guests go all out for the Colorado Symphony Ball's rock-and-roll theme and wear anything from ball gowns to concert t-shirts with tuxedos. Attendees let their hair down for the Symphony's signature bash while they participate in live and silent auctions, cocktails, dinner, and dancing.

"With 800 philanthropic guests, two fantastic groups of musicians, and a packed dance floor, the Colorado Symphony Ball is the best party in town. The open bars don't hurt, either," says Jerry Kern, CEO & Co-Chair of the Board of Trustees. "It's also a cornerstone of the Symphony's annual fundraising efforts; we rely heavily on the Ball to generate \$1 million in contributed funds every year."

"Rock and Roll Royalty" will be the Symphony's 24th Ball, and the organization's largest fundraising event of the year. Funds raised by the Ball support the operations and education programs of the Colorado Symphony, the largest and only full-time orchestra in Colorado.

For sponsorship opportunities or to purchase a table, visit <u>coloradosymphony.org/events/symphony-ball</u> or contact Christina Carlson at <u>ccarlson@coloradosymphony.org</u>.

## **EVENT INFORMATION:**

Colorado Symphony Ball 2017: "Rock and Roll Royalty" Date: Saturday, April 29, 2017 Time: 6:00 p.m. Location: Fillmore Auditorium - 1510 Clarkson St., Denver, CO 80218 For more information, visit: <u>coloradosymphony.org/events/symphony-ball</u>



The Colorado Symphony thanks its gracious presenting sponsor of the ball, Arrow Electronics, and sponsors of the 2016/17 season: The Scientific & Cultural Facilities District (SCFD), Arrow Electronics, 9News, United Airlines, and Rocky Mountain Honda Dealers.

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## TICKETS:

Tickets are available online at <u>coloradosymphony.org/tickets</u>, by phone at 303.623.7876, and in person at the Boettcher Concert Hall Box Office, Denver Performing Arts Complex, 1000 14th Street. The Box Office is open Monday - Friday, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.; Saturday, noon – 6 p.m.; and two hours prior to each performance.

## ABOUT THE COLORADO SYMPHONY

One of the leading orchestras in the United States, the Colorado Symphony performs more than 150 concerts annually at Boettcher Concert Hall in downtown Denver and across Colorado. Led by Music Director Designate Brett Mitchell, the Colorado Symphony is home to eighty full-time musicians, representing more than a dozen nations, and regularly welcomes the most celebrated artists from the world of symphonic music and beyond. Every season, the Colorado Symphony serves more than 250,000 people from all walks of life, performing a range of musical styles, from traditional to contemporary. Recognized as an incubator of innovation, creativity, and excellence, the Colorado Symphony continually expands its reach through education, outreach, and programming. The Colorado Symphony partners with the state's leading musical artists, cultural organizations, corporations, foundations, sports teams, and individuals to expose diverse audiences to the transformative power of music. To learn more, visit coloradosymphony.org.