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BOHEMIAN NIGHTS ANNOUNCES ARMORY CONCERT FEATURING JUDY COLLINS

Local artist RL Cole to open

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FORT COLLINS, Colo., Oct. 19, 2016 – Bohemian Nights announced today that award-winning singer-songwriter <u>Judy Collins</u> and local artist <u>RL Cole</u> will perform at a concert Dec. 8 at the historic Fort Collins Armory.

Each <u>Concert at the Armory</u> pairs a local Colorado artist with a nationally-known artist for an intimate performance in Fort Collins' historic Armory building, 314 E. Mountain Ave. Doors open at 6 p.m., and the concert begins at 7 p.m. The concert is open to all ages. Light snacks and beverages will be available for purchase. Tickets are \$35 and are available for purchase online at <u>www.bohemiannights.org/purchase-tickets</u>, or at the door pending availability. For concert information, call (970) 472-7656.

About headliner Judy Collins

Collins began her music career at age 13 as a pianist. She is known for her imaginative interpretations of traditional and contemporary folk standards and her own poetically poignant original compositions.

Collins' rendition of Joni Mitchell's "Both Sides Now" from her 1967 album, "Wildflowers," has been entered into the Grammy Hall of Fame. Collins' dreamy and sweetly intimate version of "Send in the Clowns" won Song of the Year at the 1975 Grammy Awards. She has garnered several top 10 hits and gold and platinum-selling albums.

Recently, contemporary and classic artists such as Rufus Wainwright, Shawn Colvin, Dolly Parton, Joan Baez and Leonard Cohen honored her legacy with the album "Born to the Breed: A Tribute to Judy Collins."

About opening artist RL Cole:

Cole is a veteran of the stage, and has performed both nationally and internationally with A. Tom Collins (Greater Than Collective), El Sinfin (Rambler Records) and now as a solo performer. Cole's sound and style draw heavily from early American music and push through the decades to include classic stylings, intertwining Delta blues and Appalachian folk with a dark Southern Gothic influence.

His recordings and songs have been featured on radio stations nationwide, in independent films and on local broadcast television and commercials. In 2015, Cole was nominated for Best of Blues Denver by Westword magazine. Cole has shared the stage with Alabama Shakes, Junior Brown, Nathaniel Rateliff, Th' Legendary Shack Shakers, Esme Patterson and Paper Bird, Slim Cessna's Auto Club, Soul Man Sam, The SubDudes, MarchForth, Possessed by Paul James (Konrad Wert), Charlie Parr and many others.

About Bohemian Nights Presents Concerts at the Armory

Bohemian Nights Presents Concerts at the Armory is a year-round ticketed concert series bringing local and national artists together to perform at Fort Collins' historic Armory building at 314 E. Mountain Ave. The series aims to add to Fort Collins' variety of live music offerings; to provide a high-quality listening experience in an intimate environment that emphasizes the connection between audience members and performers; and to offer local performers opportunities to build relationships with nationally-known artists.

Since its construction in 1907, Fort Collins' historic Armory building has functioned as a space for public gathering and entertainment. The building served as the community's first permanent National Guard Armory, housing about 60 National Guardsmen. Its drill hall doubled as a public hall for Northern Colorado's social and civic events. When a new armory was built on College Avenue in 1922, the building was vacated by the National Guard. Since then, the Armory building on Mountain Avenue has served the community in various ways, including as a roller skating rink, a laundry, a meeting hall, office and retail space, and now as a music venue.

Bohemian Nights Presents Concerts at the Armory is part of Bohemian Nights' many music offerings, which also include Bohemian Nights Presents Thursday Night Live, a free weekly summer concert series, and Bohemian Nights at NewWestFest, a free annual music festival slated for Aug. 11, 12 and 13, 2017 in downtown Fort Collins. Bohemian Nights offers new, emerging and established Colorado artists an opportunity to share live music with community members. Visit bohemiannights.org for more information about all Bohemian Nights music events.

