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Grammy Award Winner Bonnie Raitt Returns to Kodak Hall at Eastman Theatre

*'Dig in Deep' Tour Pre-Sales For Official Fan Community begin November 10,
Public On-Sales November 13*

Rochester, NY – November 2, 2015 – The Eastman School of Music and Xerox Rochester International Jazz Festival are proud to present the return of Grammy Award-winner Bonnie Raitt to Rochester, New York. She will appear at Kodak Hall at Eastman Theatre for an unforgettable one-night-only performance on Sunday, March 13, 2016 at 7:30 pm.

Following the highly-anticipated release of her twentieth album, "Dig In Deep" (Feb 26, Redwing Records), Bonnie Raitt will kick off her 2016 North American Tour, returning to major cities, including Rochester, where she's long been recognized as one of contemporary music's great live performers.

Bonnie's Dig In Deep Tour will feature her longtime touring band, which backs her on the forthcoming album, including James "Hutch" Hutchinson (bass), Ricky Fataar (drums), and George Marinelli (guitar), along with Mike Finnigan (keyboards), who joined the line-up for the triumphant 2012-2013 Slipstream tour.

"So much of the album is focused on what I want to do live," Bonnie Raitt says. "I write and pick these songs so we can nail them on stage."



Since the release of 2012's Grammy Award-winning album "Slipstream," Bonnie has performed over 200 shows in the U.S. and abroad, including a sold-out concert at Boston's Fenway Park with James Taylor this past summer. Her powerful chemistry with this band creates a magic that has been described as "exquisite" (*Chicago Tribune*) and "perfect" (*Boston Globe*).

"We are thrilled to join forces with Xerox Rochester International Jazz Festival again to bring another legendary musician like Bonnie Raitt to Rochester," said Keith C. Elder, Director of Concert Activities at Eastman School of Music.

Opening for Bonnie on the tour will be The California Honeydrops, a five-piece ensemble led by dynamic vocalist and multi-instrumentalist Lech Wierzynski. Known for its engaging live show and diverse musical influences, the group incorporates Bay Area R&B, funk, Southern soul,

Delta blues, New Orleans second-line, gospel, and psychedelic groove into its sound.

"Bonnie Raitt is a phenomenal and versatile artist," said John Nugent, Producer and Artistic Director of the Xerox Rochester International Jazz Festival. "This performance is not to be missed and we are excited to present it with our longtime partner, Eastman School of Music."

Continuing a long-standing tradition in conjunction with the Guacamole Fund, Bonnie will donate one dollar from every ticket purchased to grassroots local, regional, and national organizations whose work

focuses on safe and sustainable energy, social justice and human rights, environmental protection, and blues/music education.

The album pre-order for "Dig in Deep" begins on November 6. The pre-sale for the tour will start on November 10 for Bonnie's Fan Community (available through her website), and will be followed by the public on-sale November 13. Ticket sales on Bonnie's site include Special Benefit Seats and packages to pre-order "Dig In Deep" CDs and LPs and to purchase an exclusive merchandise item. The public can also purchase tickets, which range between \$25 and \$99.50, by visiting www.eastmantheatre.org or calling the Eastman Theatre Box Office at (585) 454-2100. Bonnie last performed in Rochester to a sold-out audience at Eastman Theatre and tickets for the upcoming concert are expected to go quickly as well.

Bonnie Raitt 2016 Tour Dates:

March 12 - Albany, NY - Palace
March 13 - Rochester NY - Eastman Theatre
March 15 - Toronto, ON - Sony Centre
March 16 - Detroit, MI - Opera House
March 18 - St Louis, MO - Peabody Opera House
March 19 - Louisville, KY - Palace
March 22 - Chicago, IL - Chicago Theatre
March 23 - Pittsburgh, PA - Heinz Hall
March 25 - Philadelphia, PA - Verizon Hall
March 26 - Washington DC - Kennedy Center
March 29 - Boston, MA - Orpheum Theatre
April 1 - New York, NY - Beacon Theatre
April 2 - New York, NY - Beacon Theatre
April 17 - Portland, OR - Keller Auditorium
April 20 - Seattle, WA - Paramount Theatre
April 22 - Reno, NV - Grand Sierra Resort
April 23 - Oakland, CA - Fox Theater
April 26 - Dallas TX - Winspear Opera House
April 27 - Austin TX - Moody Theater
April 29 - Houston TX - Bayou Theater (Revention Music Center)
May 3 - Nashville, TN - Ryman Auditorium
May 4 - Nashville, TN - Ryman Auditorium

Additional tour dates for 2016 to be announced.

Bonnie Raitt on the Web:

<http://www.bonnie-raitt.com/>

<http://www.facebook.com/officialbonnie-raitt>

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