

Join us for the

2003

Rocky Mountain Ragtime Festival

July 17-21

In beautiful Boulder, Colorado

FESTIVAL PERFORMERS



“Blues Great”

Carl Sonny Leyland



Frank French

Scott Kirby



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David Thomas Roberts



Bob Ault & Friends,

with Craig Ventresco



Brian Keenan, plus

**Tom McDermott, Dennis Pash, Tom
Marion, Sophie Rivard, Jack Rummel,
Luiz Simas, Trebor Tichenor, the
Mont Alto Orchestra and more!**



Our thanks to all those who contributed to the 2002 Rocky Mountain Ragtime Festival for their generous support!

2003 ROCKY MOUNTAIN RAGTIME FESTIVAL, JULY 17-21 LOOK WHAT'S COMING YOUR WAY!

Reaffirming our commitment to **quality and diverse programming**, the 2003 Rocky Mountain Ragtime Festival will again be held at Boulder's **Unity Church**, one of the finest concert venues anywhere, with performances in the great hall upstairs and symposia and workshops in the lecture hall downstairs. You'll find everything you need, including the Ragtime Store, under one roof!

The **Bösendorfer** and **Schimmel** concert pianos will again be featured by agreement with **Chris Finger Pianos** of Niwot, Colorado, who have furnished the Festival with fine pianos for the past ten years. In securing top performers to play these magnificent instruments, the Festival offers programming to please the wide-ranging tastes of today's audiences.

The Festival will present concerts and symposia in six areas of music: **Classic Ragtime**, **Folk Ragtime**, **Blues**, **Creole Music**, **New Ragtime** and **Terra Verde music**. In the spirit of **Innovation within Tradition**, the Festival has carefully chosen performers who excel in both the old and the new music.

For **Classic Ragtime**, **Brian Keenan** and **Scott Kirby**, the Festival's Musical Director, will play the works of Joplin, Scott and Lamb, as will many of our other artists, with special tributes to these great masters at the evening performances. Expect some dynamic duo piano artistry, too! **Sophie Rivard**, the violinist from Quebec who stole our hearts last year, will return to share the stage with many of our performers.

For **Folk Ragtime**, **David Thomas Roberts**, **Brian Keenan**, **Trebor Tichenor**, **Bob Ault** and **Jack Rummel** will present authentic renditions by the noted Folk Ragtime pioneers along with many Folk-inspired rags of their own. Look for **Dennis Pash**, **Craig Ventresco** and newcomer **Tom Marion** to add some spirited string band music!

New to the Festival is **Carl Sonny Leyland**, an exciting **Blues** pianist who plays great boogie-woogie as well. There will be plenty of both at our special Cabaret when he's joined by **Scott Kirby** and **David Thomas Roberts** as they really rock the room!

Also new to the Festival is **Tom McDermott**, who will showcase **Creole Music**. The works of Ernesto Nazareth, Louis Moreau Gottschalk, composers of the Caribbean and South America and many original compositions will also be featured by **Luiz Simas** and **Frank French**, as well as **Brian Keenan**, **Scott Kirby**, **David Thomas Roberts** and the **Mont Alto Ragtime and Tango Orchestra**.

There will be no shortage of **New Ragtime**, as virtually all of our performers program it and most compose it, too. **Terra Verde**, reflecting the progressive transformation of New World music, will be played by **Frank French**, **Brian Keenan**, **Scott Kirby** and **Tom McDermott**, while **David Thomas Roberts** will present his "New Orleans Streets" Suite in its entirety. This revolutionary art form is being embraced by an ever-growing eclectic and reflective music-listening public who recognize this Festival as the premier setting for this music.

INFORMATION ON AFTER-HOURS AND HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS

The Rocky Mountain Ragtime Festival is pleased to announce a special group rate for rooms during the Festival. We endorse the following:



(formerly Ramada Inn)
800 - 28th Street
Boulder, CO 80303
303-443-3322
Fax: 303-443-0397
1-800-542-0304

Rates reduced this year to:
Up to 4 persons - \$89,

Reservations must be made prior to 6/01/03 to ensure this group rate. Ask for "Rocky Mountain Ragtime Rate."

Other nearby motels include:

Best Western Boulder Inn
303-449-3800

Super 8 Motel Boulder
303-443-7800

The after-hours festivities, as well as the Ragtime Cabaret and the Ragtime Brunch, will be held at the Ramada Inn, the official Festival motel.

A call to the Boulder Chamber of Commerce will bring you a more complete list of accommodations: 303-442-1044.

Remember... Boulder is an extremely attractive tourist destination in July, so advance reservations at any hotel or motel are a **must!**

GREAT PIANOS +
GREAT ARTISTS =
GREAT MUSIC!!!

Schedule of Events

Tuesday, July 15, 2003

**Boulder Public Library, 1000 Arapahoe Ave.
Kirby**

7:00 PM

Free concert

Thursday, July 17, 2003

Boulder Public Library, 1000 Arapahoe Ave.

Various artists

2:00 PM

Welcoming Concert

7:00 PM

Opening "Casual" Concert

Unity Church, corner Folsom & Valmont Sts., Boulder

Ault, French, Keenan, Kirby, Mont Alto Orch., Rivard, Roberts & more.

After the concert: Casual After-burner at the **Boulder Outlook Hotel, 800 28th St.**

Friday, July 18, 2003

Unity Church, corner Folsom & Valmont Sts., Boulder

Kirby, Keenan, Ault & Rivard

Ault, French, Marion, Pash & Ventresco

Leyland, Kirby, McDermott & Tichenor

Ault, Keenan, Roberts, Rummel & string players

French, Kirby, McDermott, Rivard & Simas

9:00 AM—5:30 PM

James Scott's Ragtime

Levee Revels: Mississippi River folklore & music

Blues, Regular and Unleaded: Boogie, blues & rags

Brun Campbell Express: A Tribute

The Art of the Choro: By Nazareth & by old & new composers

Ault-Star String Band Teaser

New Orleans Streets Suite: First performance in over a decade & first at any festival

Ault, Marion, Pash & Ventresco

Roberts

7:30 PM

Evening Concert, with special Joe Lamb tribute, Tom Turpin tribute, Frank French set, Brazilians (works that influenced ragtime and jazz) & Blues

Unity Church, corner Folsom & Valmont Sts., Boulder

Ault, French, Keenan, Kirby, Leyland, Roberts, Rummel & Rivard

After the concert... After-burner at the **Boulder Outlook Hotel, 800 28th St.** Various performers / Open pianos

Saturday, July 19, 2003

Unity Church, corner Folsom & Valmont Sts., Boulder

French & special guests

Ault, Marion, McDermott, Pash, Rivard & Ventresco

10:00 AM—4:00 PM

Frank French's Ragtime

Cafe Ventresco: Italian & French popular music; musettes, waltzes & polkas

New Ragtime

Louisianathology: Originals by New Orleans composers, from Gottschalk & Morton to James Booker

Out Of The Box: Terra Verde & beyond

Folk Rags of Today: Expect some new arrangements of contemporary folk rags

Rebel Yell: Southern Heritage ragtime, blues, etc.

Ault, Keenan & Rummel

French, Kirby, McDermott, Roberts & more

Kirby, McDermott & Simas

Ault, Keenan, Roberts, Rummel & Tichenor

4:30—5:30 PM

Blues Cabaret: complete with boogie duets & surprise guests

Leyland, Roberts, Rummel & string players

Boulder Outlook Hotel, 800 28th St.

Kirby, Leyland, McDermott, Roberts & Tichenor

7:30 PM

Evening Concert: Folk Ragtime, Joplin tribute, World Debuts & Ault-Star string band

Unity Church, corner Folsom & Valmont Sts., Boulder

Ault, Keenan, Kirby, Marion, Pash, Rivard, Tichenor, Ventresco & more

After the concert... After-burner at the **Boulder Outlook Hotel, 800 28th St.** Various performers / Open pianos

Sunday, July 20 2003

Boulder Outlook Hotel, 800 28th St.

Featuring Festival Performers

Boulder Outlook Hotel, 800 28th St.

Various performers

Pearl Street Studio, 2160 Pearl St., Boulder

Music by ragtime dance deejay "Jimmix."

10:00 AM—Noon

Ragtime Brunch

1:00—??

After-brunch pianos

1:00-4:30 PM

Ragtime Tea Dance

Monday, July 21, 2003

Chris Finger Pianos, 101 2nd Ave., Niwot

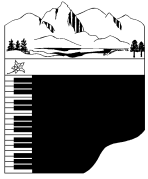
Featuring Festival performers

7:00 PM

Closing Concert with multiple pianos

Ragtime Institute. Due to budgetary constraints and other mitigating factors, the **RAGTIME INSTITUTE** will take a sabbatical in 2003. The Institute will return, refreshed and rejuvenated, in 2004. For inquiries: Scott Kirby, Director, (208) 263-6867.

**Have you visited us on the Internet yet? Check out the Rocky Mountain Ragtime Festival at:
<http://www.ragtimers.org/rmrf/> or e-mail us at <ragtimers@ragtimers.org>.**



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2003 Rocky Mountain Ragtime Festival - Description of Packages & Separate Events

Festival Package: The Festival Package is our best bargain, and will admit you to all festival events *except* the Sunday Ragtime Brunch and the Ragtime Tea Dance. (***The dance is a separate event from the Festival.***)
All-Day/Evening Packages: An All-Day/Evening Package will admit you to all daytime and evening events on Friday or Saturday. Tickets are also available for just daytime events or just the evening concerts (see below).
Sunday Ragtime Brunch: This event will include a brunch buffet and lots of music in an intimate atmosphere. It sells out every year, so get your tickets early! (This event is *not* part of the Festival Package.)
Ragtime Tea Dance: Participatory social ballroom dancing to the music of the Ragtime Era One-Step, Waltz, Tango, Foxtrot, Maxixe, Two-Step, Cakewalk, Rag, etc., with recorded music by deejay "Jimmix." Air-conditioned hall. Dress is neat to dressy. Bring snack to share if you can. All ages, abilities & singles welcome. Further info at 303-449-5962.

2003 Rocky Mountain Ragtime Festival ❖ July 17-21, 2003 ❖ Ticket Order Form

Note: One child (12 and under) per paying adult gets in free to all events on Thursday-Saturday.
 There will be no advance ticket sales after June 15, 2003 and no refunds after June 1, 2003.

All prices include City of Boulder admissions tax.

- _____ Festival package(s), (includes *everything except* Brunch & Dance), \$99 until June 15, 2003 (\$126 at the door)
- _____ All-day and evening Friday package(s), \$42 until June 15, 2003 (\$47 at the door)
- _____ Daytime-only Friday package(s), \$28.50 until June 15, 2003 (\$35 at the door)
- _____ All-day and evening Saturday package(s) including Blues Cabaret, \$42 until June 15, 2003 (\$47 at the door)
- _____ Daytime-only Saturday package(s) *not* including Blues Cabaret, \$28.50 until June 15, 2003 (\$35 at the door)
- _____ Thursday evening concert ticket(s), \$19 until June 15, 2003 (\$21 at the door)
- _____ Friday evening concert ticket(s), \$19 until June 15, 2003 (\$21 at the door)
- _____ Saturday evening concert ticket(s), \$19 until June 15, 2003 (\$21 at the door)
- _____ Saturday Blues Cabaret ticket(s), \$15 *at the door only, if not sold out.*
- _____ Sunday Ragtime Brunch ticket(s), \$19 (includes the popular after-brunch informal piano lounge)
- _____ Sunday Tea Dance ticket(s), \$10 (A separate event from the Festival, sponsored by American Vernacular Dance)
- _____ Monday night closing concert ticket(s), \$19 until June 15, 2003 (\$21 at door, *if not sold out*)

To help us present quality ragtime and related music at this festival and at future festivals, your donation of \$_____ is greatly appreciated!!

Total enclosed: \$_____. (Make checks payable to **Rocky Mountain Ragtime Festival**)

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Mail your order to: **Rocky Mountain Ragtime Festival, P.O. Box 96, Niwot, CO 80544**

Fax your order to: **303-652-8221** ❖ Festival Hotline: **720-294-0209** ❖ Email questions: **ragtimers@ragtimers.org**