



INDEPENDENCE EVE presented by Anadarko

THE CIVIC CENTER CONSERVANCY ANNOUNCES DETAILS FOR THIRD-ANNUAL

JULY 3RD FREE COMMUNITY CELEBRATION IN CIVIC CENTER PARK

FEATURING COLORADO SYMPHONY CONCERT, LIGHT SHOW, FIREWORKS FINALE AND TV BROADCAST

(DENVER, CO – June 18, 2012) The Civic Center Conservancy announces details for the third-annual free community concert and fireworks display on **Tuesday, July 3, 2012**, at **Denver's Civic Center Park** (Colfax & Broadway) beginning at **8:00 p.m.** **Independence Eve presented by Anadarko** is **free** and open to the public. **KTVD-TV, Channel 20 - one of the Networks of 9NEWS - will broadcast a one-hour, commercial-free special of the event on Wednesday, July 4, 2012, at 8:00pm.**

"Civic Center Park is the ideal place to celebrate country, community and culture," said **Civic Center Conservancy Executive Director Lindy Eichenbaum Lent**. "Now entering its third year, Independence Eve continues to engage more people in Civic Center's future by creating a beloved tradition rooted in this historic park. Thanks to our new partnership with 9News and KTVD-20, the incredible sights and sounds of Independence Eve will be available on July 4th as well. We are particularly grateful to Anadarko and the City and County of Denver for their continued support since helping us launch this event in 2010. We thank all Independence Eve sponsors and partners for providing this incredible gift to our community."



Independence Eve presented by Anadarko will be emceed by **Denise Plante, host of KOSI 101's "Murphy & Denise" morning show host and 9NEWS' "Colorado & Company."** The **Colorado Symphony** concert will be led by **Resident Conductor Scott O'Neil**, include a guest appearance by **Opie Gone Bad's Jake Schroeder**, and feature the *Star Spangled Banner* (Key), *Liberty Fanfare* (Williams), *Hoe-Down from Rodeo* (Copland), *Salute to the Big Bands* (Custer), *The Washington Post March* (Sousa), *Ashokan Farewell* (Traditional), *West Side Story* (Bernstein), *The Raiders March* (Williams), *Born in the U.S.A.* (Springsteen), *God Bless America* (Berlin), *Armed Forces Salute* (Arr. Lowden), *Overture 1812* (Tchaikovsky), *The Thunderer* (Sousa), and *Stars and Stripes Forever* (Sousa).



the colorado symphony

"Independence Eve with the Colorado Symphony in Civic Center Park has become one of Denver's favorite annual traditions," said **Colorado Symphony President & CEO Gene Sobczak**. "We are extremely grateful for this opportunity to bring some of the most beloved American music performed live by our great orchestra to people who will gather from far and wide. Attendance grows each and every year for this wonderful event, and we are so proud to be part of the festivities."

Independence Eve presented by Anadarko will be accented with a light show on the Denver City and County Building and stunning fireworks display. Lawn seating will be available on a first-come, first-served basis; arriving early is greatly encouraged, as are blankets or low-rise concert/beach chairs. Attendees are welcome to bring their own picnics; concessions will also be available on-site. The event will take place rain or shine.

"In just three years, Independence Eve has become a wonderful patriotic tradition in Denver, and Anadarko is honored to have sponsored this event since its inception," said **Jim Kleckner, Anadarko Vice President of Rocky Mountain Operations**. "We are grateful to the Civic Center Conservancy for its work in enhancing Civic Center Park and providing this opportunity for our community to celebrate America's freedom and reflect on the importance of preserving our independence in all facets of life."

The **Independence Eve Celebration presented by Anadarko** is made possible by the support of the following community partners and sponsors: **Anadarko Petroleum Corporation, Arts & Venues Denver, the City and County of Denver, VISIT DENVER, Comcast and Xcel Energy**. Special thanks to our media partners **9NEWS/KTVD-20 and The Denver Post Community**.

Civic Center is easily accessible by light rail, bus, bicycle or the **16th Street FREE MallRide** and use of public transportation is encouraged. Information on nearby **B-cycle** bike-sharing locations is available at www.denver.bcycle.com. Parking is available at nearby surface lots and parking garages, including the **Denver Justice Center Garage** located at 490 West 14th Ave (SW corner of 14th Street & Delaware Street), and the **Central Parking lots/garages** at 1530 Cleveland Place, Denver Pavilions (Garage entrance at 15th & Welton and valet parking available on Glenarm between 15th and 16th), 1256 Delaware, 1440 Tremont, 1200-1300 blocks of Cherokee and 1745 Sherman. For more details on downtown parking options, please visit www.experiencedowntowndenver.com. Please note that road closures will include the one block of Bannock and Cherokee between 14th Avenue Parkway and Colfax and 14th Ave. Parkway from Bannock to Broadway. A close-in drop-off location will be available at the corner of 14th Avenue Parkway and Bannock. Additional traffic information will be available closer to the event.

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CIVIC CENTER CONSERVANCY

Formed in 2004, the Civic Center Conservancy is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization dedicated to helping the City and County of Denver restore, enhance and activate Civic Center Park. Through programs such as the Civic Center EATS Outdoor Café, Bike-In Movie Series and Independence Eve; advocacy around design, infrastructure and policy issues; and fundraising for capital improvements, activities and initiatives that support and revitalize the park, the Civic Center Conservancy aims to elevate and sustain Civic Center Park as Denver's vibrant, iconic community and cultural hub. For more information, please visit www.civiccenterconservancy.org.

COLORADO SYMPHONY

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