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BCA Presents  
**AN EVENING WITH GARRISON KEILLOR**  
and  
**AN EVENING WITH KEVIN SMITH**

**Cultural icons each bring their unique brand of humor to Breckenridge**

BRECKENRIDGE, CO (June 13, 2016) – Breckenridge Creative Arts proudly presents two evenings of comedy and solo performance later this year with a pair of iconic personalities. First, **An Evening with Garrison Keillor** on **Friday, November 18, 2016 at 7:30 pm**, and second, **An Evening with Kevin Smith** on **Sunday, December 18, 2016 at 7:30 pm**. Both performances take place at the **Riverwalk Center** in downtown Breckenridge.

One of the most prolific American storytellers of all time, **Garrison Keillor** is a writer and humorist best known for his popular live radio variety show, *A Prairie Home Companion*, which attracts more than 4 million listeners on more than 600 public radio stations each week. Tickets for Keillor's performance are priced at **\$55, \$75 and \$95** for gold circle seats (first six rows, center section).

A writer, comedian, podcaster, and film director, **Kevin Smith** is the brain behind the 90's cult comedy classic 'Clerks', among other credits. His one-man show offers audiences the chance to get up close and personal with one of the most distinctive voices in US independent filmmaking for a night of stories, musings and Q&A. Tickets for Smith's performance are priced at **\$35 and \$45**.

Tickets for both shows go on sale on **Monday, June 20 at 10am** at the Riverwalk Center Ticket Office, by phone at 970-547-3100 or online at [breckcreate.org](http://breckcreate.org).

## **ABOUT GARRISON KEILLOR**

Among today's most cherished raconteurs, master storyteller and humorist Garrison Keillor is best known as the host of National Public Radio's A Prairie Home Companion, with an audience of more than 17 million on over 900 public radio stations each week. A prolific author and poet who was featured in Robert Altman's final film—a fictional version of behind-the-scenes activities on A Prairie Home Companion—he is the recipient of numerous honors including the National Humanities Medal and induction into the Radio Hall of Fame at Chicago's Museum of Broadcast Communications. Here, in a rare solo performance, he shares hilarious anecdotes about growing up in the American Midwest, the people of Lake Wobegon, and "late-life fatherhood."

Keillor recently announced his retirement from A Prairie Home Companion, and musician Chris Thile of the bands Punch Brothers and Nickel Creek will succeed Keillor full time as host of the show starting in September 2016.

## **ABOUT KEVIN SMITH**

Kevin Smith is a modern day renaissance man. He is an actor, filmmaker, comic book writer, a comedian and a podcaster. He wrote, directed, and coproduced 1994's Clerks, and played the role of Silent Bob. He has written and directed various other movies since, including Chasing Amy, Zack and Miri Make a Porno, and Cop Out. He is the subject of reality TV show Comic Book Men, and has written mini-series for Marvel. Smith co-hosts several podcasts for SModcast.com, including "Fatman on Batman". He can be heard daily at smodcast.com, a vast network of podcasts.

The Breckenridge engagements of Garrison Keillor and Kevin Smith are part of a performing arts series entitled BCA Presents, a program of year-round concerts, lectures and special events presented and hosted by Breckenridge Creative Arts. Support for the series is generously provided by the Town of Breckenridge.

Established in 2014, Breckenridge Creative Arts was developed by the town to support and promote arts, culture, and creative experiences throughout Breckenridge. This multidisciplinary nonprofit organization is responsible for the successful management of a series of programs, properties and partnerships that collectively animate and populate a cultural corridor in the heart of downtown Breckenridge. From quality performing and visual arts to the development of one of the region's newest arts districts, Breckenridge Creative Arts is a transformative force for Breckenridge and the greater Summit County community. More info at [breckcreate.org](http://breckcreate.org).

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