

## NEW DATE ANNOUNCED FOR KRIS KRISTOFFERSON and THE STRANGERS

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 20, Kris Kristofferson & The Strangers headline the National Fiddler Hall of Fame Gala Concert with four stellar inductees and special guests at the Mabee Center, Tulsa OK. Emcees are Billy Parker and Tess Maune.

Kristofferson sent a thank you message for moving the concert date from March to November due to coronavirus worldwide concerns. "We are looking forward to being in Tulsa this fall. By then we should be seeing the country returning to some normalcy. We really appreciate you making this change." NFHoF president Bob Fjeldsted states the other performers echo this sentiment and are on board for the concert at 7:00 p.m. on November 20 at the Mabee Center.

An exciting celebration is in store for all, with the world's best talents here for the National Fiddler Hall of Fame 2020 Gala induction concert. Headlining the event in full concert is the amazing and multi-talented Kris Kristofferson and his band, The Strangers. Kristofferson played an important role in the Ken Burns PBS series "Country Music" and as composer of dozens of hit songs, he remains a vibrant songwriter, actor and musician, with countless awards, including the Grammy Lifetime Achievement Award, and a Golden Globe for Best Actor in "A Star is Born". His story includes the reasons for writing hits like "Help Me Make it Through The Night" and the pivotal experience resulting in his moving classic, "Why Me Lord?"

VIP table ticket holders will enjoy early doors at 5:30pm, full dinner at 6pm, a Meet and Greet with the artists, and a Pre-Show by the popular bluegrass band SpringStreet and special guests. All proceeds go to the NFHoF Scholarship Fund, assisting and encouraging music performance and education.

NFHOF (a nonprofit 501c3) has an outstanding lineup of four 2020 Inductees, each with a unique story that makes them exceptional. Kristofferson is looking forward to the induction of Scott Joss, his band member who is a "violin virtuoso" and a solo artist with albums, awards, and original songs to his credit.

Nationally known fiddle star, Shoji Tabuchi, left Japan after encouragement from Roy Acuff at a performance in Japan. Acuff told Shoji to follow his dream of playing country music in America and to look him up when he got there. Shoji did just that, and Acuff arranged to have him play on the Grand Ole Opry...many times. Tabuchi and his family regularly play to a full house in their beautiful theater in Branson, MO.

Dale Morris is a national champion fiddler from Texas, who has played and recorded with Ray Price, Marty Robbins, Bill Monroe, many others. He brings the finest of fiddle work to the Gala. He and his family have an unmatched following in the fiddle world, and is overdue for this honor.

Beloved Don Rich, is known for 'the Buck Owens sound' with stellar fiddle, guitar, and vocal work as a Buckaroo on Hee Haw. Rich will be inducted posthumously with his award accepted by his wife, Marlane, and their two sons, Vic and Vance Ulrich.

Updates and more information on each inductee will be on 'The National Fiddler Hall of Fame's Facebook page, where you can 'Like' and Share postings.

Tickets are available for the November 20, 2020 event at <https://mabeecenter.com> or call the Mabee Center box office at 918-495-6000.