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[TRACE ADKINS](#)

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**ADKINS' FIRST FULL-BAND PERFORMANCE AT THE HISTORIC RYMAN AUDITORIUM VENUE WILL BE A "STORYTELLER" EVENING TO HONOR THE TRADITION OF COUNTRY MUSIC**

**January 27, 2012.** According to traceadkins.com fan club official site, Trace Adkins has added Ryman Auditorium to the list of theaters he will visit on his recently announced SONGS & STORIES TOUR. On May 18, Trace will host a "homecoming" of sorts at the historic venue, as he plays in Nashville, the city he's called home for the past twenty years as a Country hitmaker.

[GET TICKETS ON TICKETMASTER](#)

Venue Presales begin Wed, Feb 1 at 10am local venue time password 'PROUD' and 'SONGS'

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Though a veteran performer who has graced the Ryman stage during Grand Ole Opry

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performances and special events in the past, this upcoming date will be the first time Adkins has performed a full-band performance at the venue. As with all the shows on the Songs & Stories Tour, intimate performances will incorporate stories, both humorous and meaningful, that pay homage to Adkins' working-man roots and rich musical heritage.

Tickets for The Ryman performance go onsale to fan club members on Monday, 1/30 and to the public on Friday, 2/3. A full list of dates and ticket info is below.

Inspiration for the SONGS & STORIES TOUR came as Trace released his 10th studio album, Proud To Be Here, last summer with a CMT Invitation Only special. The special featured new hits "Just Fishin'" and "Million Dollar View," a Q&A session and the most-loved songs from Adkins' twenty year career. The taping was so fun for Trace and his guests that he began laying plans for a tour.

"The point of this Tour is to get together and share meaningful songs, stories and some laughs 'around the campfire' – it's the Country music tradition. The Ryman Auditorium also plays a very important role in the tradition of this genre, so it's fitting that we would play this stage on this particular tour."

Fans can share their own stories, questions and the songs that have inspired or shaped their lives on the Songs & Stories page at [www.traceadkins.com](http://www.traceadkins.com).

From humble beginnings as a small-town Louisiana roughneck, to a Country super star with a twenty year career of hits, to his recent roles as outspoken author and actor, Adkins' life parallels the songs he sings. His albums showcase a range of earnest tributes and party anthems with humor and depth – the Songs & Stories Tour promises to offer the same.

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### TICKET ON-SALE DATES:

- March dates on sale now - [GET TICKETS ON TICKETMASTER](#)
- April & May dates go on sale to public on Friday, 2/3. (Fan club pre-sale begins Mon. 1/30).

### SONGS & STORIES TOUR DATES (MORE TO BE ANNOUNCED):

March 8    Des Moines IA    Hoyt Sherman

March 9    Kansas City MO    Midland Theater by AMC

March 10    Peoria IL    Civic Theater

## Trace Adkins Songs & Stories Tour 2012 Presales!

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March 15 Milwaukee WI Riverside Theater

March 16 Rochester MN Mayo Civic Theater

March 17 Grand Forks ND Chester Fritz Auditorium \* Fan presale 1/30, public on-sale 2/3

March 22 Birmingham AL Alabama Theatre

April 12 Ashland KY Paramount Arts Center

April 14 Toledo OH Stranahan Theater

April 18 Louisville, KY The Palace Theater

April 19 Spartanburg SC Memorial Hall

April 20 Charlotte NC Ovens Auditorium

April 25 Denver CO Paramount Theater \*fan presale 1/23, public on-sale 1/27

April 27 Salinas KS Stiefel Theater

April 28 Tulsa OK Brady Theater

May 3 N. Charleston SC North Charleston Performing Arts Center

May 4 Savannah GA Mercer Theater \*fan presale 1/30, public on 2/10

May 10 Davenport IA Adler Theatre

May 11 South Bend IN Morris PAC \*fan presale 1/30, public on-sale 2/4

May 12 Memphis TN Orpheum Theatre \*fan presale 1/23, public on-sale 1/27

May 17 Atlanta GA Cobb Theater

May 18 Nashville, TN Ryman Auditorium