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# STEVE EARLE IS COMING TO THE LEXINGTON OPERA HOUSE ON TUESDAY, AUGUST 27, 2024

## TICKETS GO ON SALE FRIDAY, APRIL 19, 2024 AT 10AM VIA TICKETMASTER.COM



LEXINGTON, KY (April 16, 2024) – Songwriter Steve Earle announced today that his Alone Again Tour Solo & Acoustic will stop in Lexington, Kentucky on Tuesday, August 27, 2024, at the Lexington Opera House. Tickets go on sale Friday, April 19 at 10am with presales beginning Wednesday, April 17 at 10am.

## ABOUT STEVE EARLE

Steve Earle is one of the most acclaimed singer-songwriters of his generation. A protégé of legendary songwriters Townes Van Zandt and Guy Clark, he quickly became a master storyteller in his own right, with his songs being recorded by Johnny Cash, Waylon Jennings, Joan Baez, Emmylou Harris, The Pretenders, and countless others. 1986 saw the release of his record, *Guitar Town*, which shot to number one on the country charts and is now regarded as a classic of the Americana genre. Most recently, Earle's 1988 hit *Copperhead Road* was made an official state song of Tennessee in 2023.

Subsequent releases like *The Revolution Starts...Now* (2004), *Washington Square Serenade* (2007), and *TOWNES* (2009) received consecutive GRAMMY® Awards. His most recent album, *Jerry Jeff* (2022) consisted of Earle's versions of songs written by Jerry Jeff Walker, one of his mentors.

Earle has published both a novel *I'll Never Get Out Of This World Alive* (Houghton Mifflin Harcourt 2011) and *Dog House Roses, a* collection of short stories (Houghton Mifflin 2003). Earle produced albums for other artists such as Joan Baez (*Day After Tomorrow*) and Lucinda Williams (Car Wheels On A Gravel Road)

As an actor, Earle has appeared in several films and had recurring roles in the HBO series *The Wire* and *Tremé*. In 2009, Earle appeared in the off-Broadway play *Samara*, for which he also wrote a score that *The New York Times* described as "exquisitely subliminal." Earle wrote music for and appeared in *Coal Country*, for which he was nominated for a Drama Desk Award. Earle is the host of the weekly show *Hard Core Troubadour* on Sirius Radio's Outlaw Country channel.

In 2020, Earle was inducted into the Nashville Songwriters Hall of Fame. And in 2023, Steve was honored by the Bruce Springsteen Archives & Center for American Music.

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### **About Central Bank Center**

Located in Lexington, Kentucky, the Lexington Center Corporation (LCC) is a not-for-profit 501c3 corporate agency of the Lexington Fayette Urban County Government. It was established in 1974 to manage and maintain Rupp Arena at Central Bank Center, the Central Bank Center (formerly Lexington Convention Center), Triangle Park, and the Lexington Opera House. One of the nation's most storied entertainment destinations, Central Bank Center venues collectively welcome an average of 1.3 million patrons annually.

Since 1976, **Rupp Arena at Central Bank Center** has served as the home court of the University of Kentucky men's basketball team, regularly leading the national attendance average. Rupp Arena has hosted legendary artists such as Justin Timberlake, Paul McCartney, Garth Brooks, Chris Stapleton, and many more. Since 2018, Oak View Group and Live Nation Arenas have provided booking services to Rupp Arena. During the last 18 months, Rupp Arena has broken all previous audience attendance and revenue records in its storied 43-year history.

**The Lexington Opera House**, built in 1886 and listed on the National Register of Historic Places, is one of the premier performing arts centers in the region. Since its opening, the Opera House has played host to such famous stage performers as W.C. Fields, The Marx Brothers, Al Jolson, Julie Harris, Steve Martin, Brian Wilson, and Graham Nash. It has undergone two major renovations and remains a cultural destination in downtown Lexington.

**The Central Bank Center** holds over 200 meetings, trade shows, and special events annually. It just completed a transformative \$310 million expansion, featuring a dramatic, light-filled architectural design that offers over 200,000 SF of flexible meeting and event space. For more, visit www.centralbankcenter.com or follow us on Facebook, Instagram, or Twitter.

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