



## Curriculum Vitae

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- ROY CLARK
COUNTRY MUSIC HALL OF FAME

### About

History was made in 2019 at the Grand Ole Opry with an unprecedented debut performance by Kyle Dillingham on a Dolly Parton skateboard!

"Kyle Dillingham has made Opry history. His debut tonight, and the first to enter and exit on a skateboard. It is my thought that the fiddler blew the roof off the Grand Ole Opry house tonight!" - Bill Cody, Grand Ole Opry Announcer/Host.

The eclectic style of this award-winning powerhouse, rooted in Americana, Bluegrass and Western Swing, always aims to inspire.

Kyle is now managed by legendary impresario, Jim Halsey, who has guided the careers of many great performers including Roy Clark, The Oak Ridge Boys and James Brown.

On stage, Horseshoe Road performs a mix of band originals, classic covers and fiddling favorites that are sure to have audiences on their feet. Together, they have represented America internationally in over 40 countries, energizing audiences everywhere they go.

2023

Kyle Dillingham named Oklahoman of the Year by Oklahoma Magazine.

2022

Kyle Dillingham's song, Freedom Bells, is a Finalist in the 2021 International Songwriting Competition for Best Instrumental Song which puts it in the top less than 1% of over 21,000 entries worldwide.

Freedom Bells, is also a Finalist in the 18th Annual International Acoustic Music Awards for Best Instrumental Song.

Kyle Dillingham and Peter Markes were selected by the U.S Department of State as a Cultural Performer at Expo 2020 Dubai.

2021

Live from Hollywood, Kyle Dillingham's song,
Four in the Morning, was awarded the 2021
Indie Music Channel Award for Best
Contemporary Christian Song and his song,
Homa, was nominated for Best Americana Song.

Kyle Dillingham's song, *Do It All Again*, was selected by Roy Orbison, Jr.

Peter Markes, Brent Saulsbury, and Kyle Dillingham were awarded the 2021 Heritage Award for Preservation of Historic Arts by the Edmond Historical Society.

Kyle Dillingham was featured as part of Oklahoma City Philharmonic's 2021 season along with Kylie Morgan, Country Music Association's "One to Watch."

Kyle Dillingham was the Nashville Songwriters
Association International (NSAI) OKC Chapter
winner of the 2021 Anthem Challenge.









Kyle Dillingham's song, *Homa*, was as a Top Ten Finalist in the Best Country/Bluegrass category of the 17th annual International Acoustic Music Awards.

#### 2020

Kyle Dillingham's song, The Broken Violin, was selected as a Semi-Finalist for Best Instrumental in the prestigious International Songwriting Competition.

Kyle Dillingham was honored as Ambassador Of Goodwill at the 93rd Oklahoma Hall Of Fame Induction Ceremony.

> Kyle Dillingham's song, Jealous Wind, won in the Best Country/Bluegrass category of the 16th annual International Acoustic Music Awards.

#### 2019

Shared the stage with The Oak Ridge Boys at Nashville's Grand Ole Opry with an introduction by the Grammy-winning Country Music legends.

Two-week American Music Abroad tour through Kuwait and Kosovo sponsored by the U.S. State Department.

Kyle Dillingham wowed Thailand again with a stellar performance in an encore production of *Phra Lor* at the famed Patravadi Theatre in Bangkok and Hua Hin.





2018

Horseshoe Road's fiery performance at CMA
Fest 2018 received rave reviews. While in
Nashville, they had the honor of wowing
Charley Pride in his dressing room at the
Grand Ole Opry. They were also invited to
perform at the signature boutique of
legendary fashion designer to the stars,
Manuel Cuevas, who has been attributed as
being the man who put Johnny Cash in black.
Kyle Dillingham is proud to be added to his
client list.

#### 2017

Horseshoe Road represented Oklahoma and the United States at the 2nd Silk Road International Cultural Expo in Dunhuang with additional concerts in Xi'an and Qingyang. They were the first Americana/Country band to perform

in the region. This tour marked Dillingham's 12th trip to China.

#### 2016

Horseshoe Road featured during the Keller Williams Realty International Convention in New Orleans (15,000 attendees).

Kyle Dillingham represents the United States as co-host of the 2016 Silk Road International Arts Festival Tour in Shaaxi Province, China.

Horseshoe Road release third full album, Fear or Faith. Release marked by a tour of historic theaters across Oklahoma.

#### 2015

Kyle Dillingham was invited to perform a New Year's Eve Concert with the Lanzhou Symphony Orchestra in Lanzhou, China.





Kyle Dillingham selected to perform at the Oklahoma Governor's Inaugural Ball.

Horseshoe Road featured during the Keller Williams Realty International Convention in Orlando (10,000 attendees).

#### 2014

Horseshoe Road completed a 16-day U.S. State
Department tour through Liberia as part of
the Cultural Crossroads program. One
highlight included a performance for the
president of Liberia.

#### 2013

Horseshoe Road embark on a 5-week U.S. State
Department tour through the Republic of
China, South Korea, Burma and Russia as part
of the American Music Abroad program where
they performed with the Taipei Symphony
Orchestra. Out of 300 bands nationwide,
Horseshoe Road was one of 10 chosen for the
2012-2013 season.

Horseshoe Road opens for the Charlie Daniels Band.

#### 2012

Horseshoe Road opens for the Oak Ridge Boys.

Kyle Dillingham performs Grand Finale concert with the Amici NY Orchestra at the prestigious OK Mozart Festival.

#### 2011

Kyle Dillingham toured with the Amazing Thailand Road Show through the United States and Canada promoting Thailand tourism.





2010

Kyle Dillingham traveled to Thailand where he starred in the Thai musical favorite, *Phra Lor*, at the renowned Patravadi Theater.

2009

Kyle Dillingham receives the Oklahoma Governor's Arts Award. He is the youngest person to ever receive this coveted medal.

2008

Horseshoe Road completed a U.S. Embassy sponsored tour of Thailand, which commemorated the 175th anniversary of relations between the United States of America and the Kingdom of Thailand. It was the first time an American band had ever performed in four of the five cities they toured.

Horseshoe Road makes second full album release, Reel to Reel.

2007

Featured performing the Oklahoma Centennial Anthem (Vince Gil/Jimmy Webb) in a television commercial celebrating the Oklahoma Centennial.

Horseshoe Road performs 30 shows in 6 days during the International Food and Wine Festival at Epcot Center, Orlando.

2006

Horseshoe Road makes first full album release, *Home Fires*.

They celebrated Oklahoma's centennial internationally through their performances with a tour of Japan and Thailand. They also filmed a documentary of this tour as an official OK Centennial Project.

### Awards

2023 Oklahoma Magazine's Oklahoman of the Year

2022 International Acoustic Music Awards - Best Instrumental Song Finalist

2021 International Songwriting Competition - Best Instrumental Song Winner

2021 Indie Music Channel Award - Best Contemporary Christian Song

2021 International Acoustic Music Award - Best Country/Bluegrass Song Finalist

2020 International Acoustic Music Award - Bluegrass/Country Category Winner

2020 International Songwriting Competition - Best Instrumental Song Finalist

2019 405 Magazine Best of the 405 Award -Best Musician and Best Ambassador That Makes You Proud To Be An Oklahoman

2018 405 Magazine Best of the 405 Award - Best Local Musician

2017 Oklahoma Gazette Best of OKC Award - Best Local Singer/Songwriter

2017 Oklahoma Magazine Best of the Best - Best Local Band (listed 2nd, only after The Flaming Lips!)

2017 405 Magazine Best of OKC Award - Best Local Musician and Best Ambassador That Makes You Proud To Be An Oklahoman

2016 Oklahoma Gazette Music Awards - Best Americana/Folk Band

2011 International Acoustic Music Award - Bluegrass/Country Category Winner



### Tour History

\* INTERNATIONAL (partial listing)

Burma

Canada

China

France

India

Japan

Kosovo

Kuwait

Liberia

Malaysia

Mexico

Peru

Poland

Russia

South Korea

Thailand

\* REGIONAL

Alma Performing Arts Center

Alma, AR

CMA Fest

Nashville, TN

Ernest N. Morial Convention Center

New Orleans, LA

Grand Ole Opry

Nashville, TN

Levitt Pavilion

Dayton, OH

Orlando County Convention Center

Orlando, FL

Principia College Auditorium

Elsah, IL



### Tour History

\* LOCAL (partial listing) CHK | Central Boathouse Oklahoma City, OK The Criterion Oklahoma City, OK Civic Center Festival Main Stage Oklahoma City, OK Centennial Rodeo Opry Oklahoma City, OK Myriad Gardens Great Lawn Stage Oklahoma City, OK American Banjo Museum Oklahoma City, OK Plaza District Main Stage Oklahoma City, OK Mabee Center Tulsa, OK Woody Guthrie Center Tulsa, OK Tulsa State Fair Tulsa, OK Enid Symphony Center Enid, OK Heard on Hurd Festival Stage Edmond, OK The Coleman Theatre Miami, OK The Poncan Theatre Ponca City, OK The Ramona Theatre Frederick, OK UCO Jazz Lab Edmond, OK Broken Arrow Performing Arts Center



Broken Arrow, OK



"Proud of you brother...you play violin/fiddle with more passion than anyone in history...and the skateboard? Wow!!!"

- THE OAK RIDGE BOYS



### Video/Music Links

- Serenading Charley Pride backstage in his dressing room at the Grand Ole Opry.
- Kyle Dillingham & Horseshoe Road historic performance at the Grand Ole Opry.
- Kyle Dillingham featured on BancFirst's LoyalTV.
- Oklahoma Tourism's Image That ad campaign featuring the music of Kyle Dillingham.
- NEA National Heritage Fellowships Concert Tribute Performance.
- NewsOK interview discussing their 2017 Silk Road & The Fiddle Tour through China.

# "Hell of a musician, that's for sure."

- CHARLEY PRIDE Country Music Legend



