KANSAS CITY RAGTIME AND BEYOND Presents Our first concert of 2025 Adam Swanson



Sunday, February 2, 2025 2:00 PM \$20 at the door Kawai Piano Gallery Students free

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Adam Swanson is one of the world's foremost pianists and historians of vintage American popular music, including ragtime, early jazz, the Great American Songbook, and more. Adam has been a featured performer and lecturer at ragtime and jazz festivals across the United States and abroad, and he is the only four-time winner of the World Championship Old-Time Piano Playing Contest. He made his New York debut in Carnegie Hall at the age of nineteen, where he performed with Michael Feinstein. Adam appeared alongside pianist John Arpin at the Ragtime and Jazz Festival in the Republic of Hungary, and he has also toured Switzerland and Australia. Adam has accompanied silent films at the prestigious Cinecon Classic Film Festival in Hollywood and performed privately for Oscar-winning Disney/Hollywood composer Richard M. Sherman (*Mary Poppins*, etc.). At the age of twenty-one, Adam performed a solo concert at the Kennedy Center Millennium Stage in Washington, D.C.

Adam holds a bachelor's degree in classical piano and a master's in musicology from the Peabody Conservatory of Johns Hopkins University. He has been mentored by other ragtime artists including the famed Max Morath and legendary 1950s recording artist Johnny Maddox, who was one of Adam's greatest influences. Adam has recorded albums with noted musicians such as former rock star Ian Whitcomb, the Peacherine Ragtime Society Orchestra, and the Bar D Wranglers, a classic western band. Adam's recordings have been used on the CBC TV show *Murdoch Mysteries*. He lives in Durango, Colorado, where he frequently performs in the Diamond Belle Saloon at the Historic Strater Hotel. You can read a lot more about Adam on his website: <u>www.adamgswanson.com and his Facebook and You</u> <u>Tube pages.</u>

> The Kawal Piano Gallery is located at 5930 Broadmoor, Mission, KS 66202 It is between Johnson Drive and Martway, just east of Metcalf. Check a map app or a map.