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## **NEWSLETTER#6**

## The Grand Old Opry Show - Saturday, May 3

Most of us will arrive in Nashville on Saturday, May 3. We will be unloading the cars shipped and settling in at our hotel, the Inn at Opryland. Around 5pm we'll meet up for our **Welcome Cocktail Party**. There is an *OPTIONAL* opportunity for you to attend the live **Grand Old Opry** that evening. But we must act soon as tickets are going fast. The hotel has a free shuttle to the Opry House and back (5 minutes).

By way of background, The Opry originated 100 years ago (1925) as a radio show on WSM-Nashville. In 1943 the show moved out of the studio and went live at the Ryman Auditorium (which you will also have a chance to visit/tour). The current shows are in the modern Grand Old Opry House, which was purpose built in 1974.

Today, one must still be invited to join the Opry, which is considered one of the top honors in Country Music. Each musician commits to a certain number of appearances each year (unpaid). Sometimes artists are announced in advance, other times they just show up and take the stage. You never know the full cast in advance.

Tickets range from about \$60 to \$100 for groups of 15+. I need to know who is interested so I can reserve a ticket block now. If we do not get a 15+ group, I will notify you and you can book, at slightly higher cost, directly on your own.

PLEASE DROP ME A NOTE VIA EMAIL IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN ATTENDING THE OPRY ON SATURDAY, MAY 3. I WOULD APPRECIATE A THUMBS UP OR THUMBS DOWN FROM EVERYONE, SO I KNOW YOU READ THE MESSAGE.



4400 seat Opry Hall, main stage



More Opry Info at www.opry.com