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**ACCLAIMED SINGER/SONGWRITER AMANDA SHIRES ANNOUNCES 2016
NATIONAL TOUR DATES IN SUPPORT OF UPCOMING ALBUM
*MY PIECE OF LAND***

"Shires is now part of a sorority of artists, such as Neko Case and Cat Power, who transcend categories like country and Americana." – **Texas Monthly**

Nashville, TN - Critically acclaimed singer/songwriter/violinist Amanda Shires has announced 2016 tour dates in support of her upcoming album *My Piece Of Land*. The new album which will be released on September 16th, was recorded with award-winning producer Dave Cobb at his Low Country Sound studio. *My Piece Of Land* is the follow-up to *Down Fell The Doves* (2013) which garnered accolades from outlets including *The New York Times*, *Wall Street Journal*, *USA Today*, *Texas Monthly*, *Huffington Post* and *The Los Angeles Times*.

Ms. Shires' summer tour will kick off with a string of opening dates for Ryan Adams including his shows at Central Park Summerstage in NYC and Washington DC's Lincoln Theatre. Her Fall tour dates kick off in Baltimore, MD on September 14th and will take her across the country hitting an expansive list of major markets including Chicago, IL, Philadelphia, PA, Atlanta, GA, Seattle, WA, Portland, OR, St. Paul, MN and Dallas, TX. Other highlights include an opening date for the legendary John Prine at The Ryman Auditorium (Nashville) on September 30th, The Austin City Limits Festival in Austin, TX on October 9th and Mountain Stage in Charleston, WV on October 16th. Ms. Shires will also perform as part of Americanafest in Nashville, TN on September 22nd.

My Piece Of Land represents an artistic milestone for Shires which was inspired by a series of milestones and realizations in her personal life. Shires contemplates love, fear, stability, self-esteem, and even anxiety, which she beautifully articulates through her thoughtful lyrics and emotive vocals. *My Piece Of Land* was mostly written while she was seven months pregnant and unable to travel. Ms. Shires used the time for self-reflection, and she used songwriting to soothe her growing anxiety. The songs on *My Piece Of Land* are a very personal account of what she was going through at this point in her life. For a full list of national tour dates see below.

AMANDA SHIRES 2016 TOUR DATES

- July 20 – **New York, NY** – Central Park Summerstage**
July 24 – **Port Chester, NY** – Capitol Theatre**
July 26 – **Washington, DC** – Lincoln Theatre**
August 5 – **St. Louis, MO** – Open Highway Music Festival
August 13 – **Missoula, MT** – The Wilma**
August 15 – **Salt Lake City, UT** – Red Butte Garden Amphitheatre**
September 8 – **Midland, TX** – Midland College Chap Center***
September 14 – **Baltimore, MD** – Baltimore Sound Stage
September 15 – **Akron, OH** – Musica
September 16 – **Columbus, OH** – Rumba Café
September 17 – **Detroit, MI** – Shelter
September 19 – **Chicago, IL** – City Winery
September 22 – **Nashville, TN** – Americanafest
September 30 – **Nashville, TN** – Ryman Auditorium ++
October 6 – **Little Rock, AR** – Stickyz Rock'n'Roll Chicken Shack
October 7 – **Crowley, LA** – Grand Opera House of the South
October 8 – **San Antonio, TX** – Sam's Burger Joint Music Hall
October 9 – **Austin, TX** – Austin City Limits Festival
October 10 – **Baton Rouge, LA** – Manship Theatre
October 12 – **Jackson, MS** – Duling Hall
October 13 – **Huntsville, AL** – Tangled String Studios
October 14 – **Athens, TN** – The Arts Center
October 15 – **Lexington, KY** – The Burl
October 16 – **Charleston, WV** – Mountain Stage - The Clay Center
October 20 – **Philadelphia, PA** – Tin Angel
October 21 – **Washington, DC** – Gypsy Sally's
October 22 – **Charlotte, NC** – Double Door Inn
October 23 – **Birmingham, AL** – Vulcan Park
October 28 – **Atlanta, GA** – Terminal West
October 29 – **Nashville, TN** – City Winery
November 4 – **Kansas City, MO** – The Riot Room
November 5 – **Omaha, NE** – The Waiting Room
November 6 – **Denver, CO** – Ophelia's Electric Soapbox
November 7 – **Aspen, CO** – Belly Up Aspen
November 9 – **Salt Lake City, UT** – State Room
November 10 – **Boise, ID** – Neurolux
November 12 – **Seattle, WA** – Sunset Tavern
November 13 – **Portland, OR** – Mississippi Studios
November 16 – **San Francisco, CA** – Slim's
November 17 – **Echo Park, CA** – The Echo
November 18 – **Pioneertown, CA** – Pappy and Harriet's Pioneertown Palace
November 19 – **Flagstaff, AZ** – Museum Club
December 1 – **Madison, WI** – Frequency
December 2 – **Saint Paul, MN** – Turf Club
December 3 – **Milwaukee, WI** – The Backroom @ Colectivo Coffee
December 4 – **Newport, KY** – The Southgate House Revival
December 7 – **Dallas, TX** – The Kessler
December 8 – **The Woodlands, TX** – Dosey Doe
December 9 – **Austin, TX** – Texas Union Theater
December 10 – **New Orleans, LA** – Parish @ House of Blues

** = with Ryan Adams

++ = with John Prine

*** = with Jason Isbell

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