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Area High School Choir to perform with Sandi Patty at concert

(SPRINGFIELD, OH) - The Shawnee High School Symphonic Choir will perform with inspirational singer Sandi Patty during the “Sandi Patty Christmas LIVE” concert, presented by the Springfield Arts Council on Wednesday, December 16 at 7:30 PM at Kuss Auditorium in downtown Springfield.

The Shawnee High School Symphonic Choir will accompany Ms. Patty on three special selections during her concert. The Choir has received top honors at the State Ohio Music Educators Association Contest for the last two years. They have been invited to perform at New York City's Lincoln Center in June 2010, and will also participate in a master class with the internationally renowned Chanticleer in March 2010 at Wittenberg University. With many diverse interests and activities, these forty-four students, ranging from grades 10-12, perform as a cohesive ensemble of friends and musicians.

Sandi Patty, often called “America’s favorite inspirational singer,” is the recipient of an astonishing 39 Dove Awards, five Grammy Awards, four Billboard Music Awards, three platinum and five gold albums, and has sold more than 11 million albums. Her Springfield concert is being presented just two evenings prior to her appearance at Carnegie Hall in New York.

Tickets for the December 16 “**Sandi Patty Christmas LIVE**” concert may be purchased by calling the Performing Arts Center Ticket Office at **937-328-3874** (toll-free 866-PAC-TKTS.) Tickets may also be purchased online at springfieldartscouncil.org. Special discounts for groups of 15 or more are also available.

This performance is supported by the Performing Arts Fund, a program of Arts Midwest funded by The National Endowment for the Arts, with additional contributions from The Ohio Arts Council, General Mills Foundation, and Land O’Lakes Foundation.

The Springfield Arts Council’s SPOTLIGHT SERIES also includes vocal group The Manhattan Transfer, the winners of NBC-TV’s Superstars of Dance, Groovaloo, and RAIN: A Tribute to the Beatles. For more information about these and other Springfield Arts Council performances, visit springfieldartscouncil.org.

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