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## SOWETO GOSPEL CHOIR

(Kerrville, TX) – The Kerrville Performing Arts Society is teaming up with two local organizations to bring the two-time Grammy Award-winning Soweto Gospel Choir to the Texas Hill Country. As KPAS continues to expand their opportunities throughout the community, the First United Methodist Church (Kerrville) and the Rockbox Theatre (Fredericksburg) will each host one performance by this world-renown ensemble.



*The New York Times described this singing sensation with one word... "Spectacular!" The Soweto Gospel Choir celebrates the strength of the human spirit and captures the beauty and passion that is Africa through vibrant rhythm, movement and its renowned vocal tapestry. The choir performs a repertoire that reflects some of the history of their Rainbow Nation with songs of remembrance for the past, as well as songs of joy and praise for the present and future.*

Since their first international performances in 2002, the Soweto Gospel Choir has become a worldwide phenomenon performing sell-out concerts at the world's greatest concert halls. In its short, but spectacular career, Soweto Gospel Choir has sung alongside superstars including Bono, Queen, Annie Lennox, Dionne Warwick, Jimmy Cliff, and Celine Dion. The choir has sung on numerous occasions for the father of democracy in South Africa, Nelson Mandela, were the guest stars at Oprah's famous 2007 New Year's party, performed for Bill Clinton and sang Happy Birthday to their beloved Patron, Archbishop Desmond Tutu.

Seating will be limited at each venue to 400 seats. KPAS will coordinate the efforts at both venues, but all proceeds will go to the First United Methodist Church and to the Rockbox Theatre. KPAS views the appearance of the Soweto Gospel Choir as a "Community Collaboration".

The first performance, on Tuesday, April 6<sup>th</sup>, will be at the Fellowship Hall of the First United Methodist Church beginning at 7:30pm. General Admission Tickets for this event will be \$30 and are available only

at the First United Methodist Church Office located at 321 Thompson Drive in Kerrville (830-257-0800). The church office will accept cash/checks during their regular business hours of 8am-5pm, Monday-Friday. Tickets will go on sale Monday, March 8<sup>th</sup>. Phone orders will not be accepted.

The second performance, on Wednesday, April 7<sup>th</sup>, will be held in Fredericksburg at the Rockbox Theater at 7:30pm. Reserved seating for this event will be available at the Rockbox Theater (109 N. Llano Street in Fredericksburg) and ticket prices will range from \$28-\$40. The Rockbox Ticket Office is open daily from 9am-6pm, Monday-Saturday and tickets will be available beginning Monday, March 8<sup>th</sup>. Tickets, available at The Rockbox Theater (Toll Free: 866-349-6688 or Local: 830-997-7625), can be purchased by cash/check/credit card.

For additional questions or concerns, please contact [info@kpas.org](mailto:info@kpas.org) or visit either [www.kpas.org](http://www.kpas.org) or [www.sowetogospelchoir.com](http://www.sowetogospelchoir.com) for a preview of the performance.

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