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Music and the Spoken Word to Broadcast from Eccles Theater

Local Groups also announced as part of three-day Grand Opening Celebration

SALT LAKE CITY, UT, October 4, 2016 –The George S. and Dolores Doré Eccles Theater is proud to announce a special live broadcast of the Mormon Tabernacle Choir’s *Music and the Spoken Word* on Sunday, October 23 from 9:30 a.m. to 10 a.m. as part of the theater’s three-day Grand Opening Celebration.

“It is such an honor for the Mormon Tabernacle Choir and Orchestra at Temple Square to be a part of the celebration of this new theater,” said president of the Mormon Tabernacle Choir, Ron Jarrett. “Music is at the heart of this community and I know the Eccles Theater will not only be enthusiastically embraced but become a musical tradition for many who live in this valley and beyond.”

The Eccles Theater broadcast will mark the first time in the broadcast’s 88-year history that the program will originate from a Salt Lake venue other than the Salt Lake Tabernacle or LDS Conference Center.

“We are thrilled to be a part of this historical moment as we host *Music and the Spoken Word* in our new state-of-the-art Delta Performance Hall,” said Director of the Salt Lake County Center for the Arts, Phil Jordan. “The broadcast is the perfect capstone event for our Grand Opening weekend.”

Thanks to the generous support of Zions Bank, this historic broadcast will be presented as a gift to the community. Tickets for *Music and the Spoken Word* are free to the public on a first-come, first-served basis through ArtTix.com. The program will also be live streamed to the Salt Lake Tabernacle on Sunday morning to accommodate out-of-town visitors who may not be aware of the special remote broadcast. No tickets are required at the Tabernacle.

In addition to the *Music and the Spoken Word* announcement, Eccles Theater is announcing the lineup for the Open House and Arts Celebration, a free event to be held as part of the three-day Grand Opening celebration on Saturday, October 22 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. The event will include a variety of 15-minute, drop-in performances throughout the day from some of Utah’s best local performing artists. Participants include:

- VCR5
- Alyssa Pyper
- Anabil Chaudhuri
- Aspen Woods
- Ballet Folklorica
- The Bboy Federation
- Ben Brinton
- Canyons
- Carlos Emjay/A Band
Called Earthrise
- Children’s Dance Theater
- Chrome Street Quartet
- Columbia Jones
- Dallyn Vail Bayles
- Eastern Arts
- Finding Kate
- Gabino Flores
- Hectic Hobo
- Jim Fish
- Jim Guss Trio
- Joshy Soul
- The Joe McQueen
Quartet
- Khemera Dance Troupe
- Los Spanglos
- Myriad Dance Company
- New Zealand American
Society
- Nino Reyos
- Ophir Creek
- The Riverton High School
Music, Dance and
Theatre Class
- Rumba Libre Band
- The Runaway Blues
- Rusty Shovels

- more -

- Salt Lake Electric Ensemble
- Salt Lake Vocal Artists & Choral Artists
- Samba Fogo
- Sol Del Jalisco
- Svengali Jazz Quartet
- Tablado Dance Company
- Talia Keys
- Tom Call Sextet
- Unity Gospel Choir
- Utah Children’s Theatre
- Utah’Ko Triskalariak
- Utah Opera
- Utah Repertory Theater Company
- Utah Symphony
- Vocal Point
- Wasatch Music Coaching Academy Funk Band
- Wing & Claw
- Who’s Louis? Theatre Co.

For a full line-up of performers and other grand opening weekend events, visit www.ecclestheateropening.com.

About George S. and Dolores Doré Eccles Theater

The George S. and Dolores Doré Eccles Theater is Salt Lake City’s newest performing arts center. The state-of-the-art theater features the 2,500-seat Delta Performance Hall, an intimate black box theater, event and rehearsal spaces, a multi-story grand lobby, the outdoor McCarthy Plaza, and a galleria which will connect the theater to the adjacent 111 Main office tower. Designed by world-renowned architect Cesar Pelli, co-owned by Salt Lake City and Salt Lake County, and operated by the Salt Lake County Center for the Arts, the Eccles Theater is a remarkable artistic venue in the heart of Salt Lake City. For more information about the George S. and Dolores Doré Eccles Theater, visit www.ecclestheater.com

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