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ORANGE, Calif., Jan. 4, 2007 – The internationally acclaimed Chapman University Choir and Chapman University Singers, under the baton of Dr. William Hall, are setting off on a ten-day concert tour of Colorado, January 8-18. The ensembles will present concerts and workshops in cities ranging from Boulder to Denver, and will conclude their tour with a pair of clinics at the Colorado Music Educators Association Conference at the Broadmoor Hotel in Colorado Springs, January 18. The tour kicks off with two Southern California performances, at North Hollywood Christian Church in Studio City on January 6 and at Sts. Simon and Jude Catholic Church in Huntington Beach on January 7. A complete tour schedule is below.

“It is always so wonderful for us to be returning to Colorado, because of the many excellent music programs there,” said Dr. Hall, “and we are very excited to attend and perform at the Colorado Music Educators Association Conference.”

The Chapman University Choir is a select group of 80 singers, chosen from all departments of the university, which has concertized and recorded extensively throughout Europe, Asia and the United States. Choirs from Chapman have been honored with invitations to perform at numerous national and regional conventions of the American Choral Directors Association, including the upcoming 2007 national convention in Miami, March 7-10. The University Choir, joined by 300 singers from around the U.S. and Australia, recently returned from a thrilling performance of the Berlioz "Requiem" at the famous Sydney Opera House. Their performance sold out all 2,700 seats and earned seven standing ovations. Most recently, the University Choir performed the West Coast premiere of Howard Shore's epic "The Lord of the Rings Symphony" with the Hollywood Bowl Orchestra, to the delight of an audience of more than 15,000 people.

The Chapman University Singers is a highly select group of 32 vocal artists. They have been acclaimed in performances throughout the United States and abroad, including recent performances with the Los Angeles Philharmonic at the Hollywood Bowl. A Los Angeles Times review said that they performed “resplendently” and “sang clearly and powerfully” in that concert, conducted by Esa-Pekka Salonen. Similar acclaim followed when maestro Zubin Mehta conducted the Los Angeles Philharmonic and the Chapman University Singers in Beethoven's Ninth Symphony at the Walt Disney Concert Hall in January 2004.

Dr. William Hall is dean of the Chapman University School of Music and director of the university's choral organizations. He holds Chapman's Berteia Family Endowed Chair in Music. Dr. Hall, one of the world's most respected choral conductors, has appeared as a guest conductor throughout the United States, Europe and the Far East, including performances with the Vienna Symphony, Frankfurt Radio Orchestra, London BBC Symphony, Musicians of London, Sinfonia of St.-Martin-in-the-Fields and the Central Philharmonic Orchestra of Beijing. His professional organization, the William Hall Chorale, was under contract to Columbia Artists Management for more than 30 years and sang throughout the U.S. and abroad, collaborating with such internationally renowned companies as the Joffrey Ballet, Bella Lewitzky Dance Company, San

Francisco Ballet, Zubin Mehta and the Los Angeles Philharmonic, Michael Tilson Thomas and the New World Symphony, Keith Lockhart and the Boston Pops Orchestra, and Sir Simon Rattle and the City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra. He has conducted before Pope John Paul II and was invited by Bob Carr, the premier of New South Wales, to conduct the Berlioz "Requiem" at the Sydney Opera House on July 4, 2004. The sold-out concert featured the Chapman University Choir and more than 300 other singers from the U.S. and Australia.

January 2007 Tour Schedule
Chapman University Choir and Singers
Dr. William Hall, Director

Saturday, Jan. 6 – Studio City, CA
CONCERT 7 p.m.
North Hollywood Christian Church
4390 Colfax Ave., Studio City

Sunday, Jan. 7 – Huntington Beach, CA
CONCERT 2:30 p.m.
Sts. Simon and Jude Catholic Church
2044 Magnolia, Huntington Beach

Monday, Jan. 8 – Louisville, CO
WORKSHOP 3 p.m.
CONCERT 7 p.m.
Monarch High School, Louisville, CO

Tuesday, Jan. 9 – Boulder, CO
REHEARSAL 2 p.m.
CONCERT 7 p.m.
Bethany Lutheran Church, Boulder, CO

Wednesday, Jan. 10 – Englewood, CO
WORKSHOP 3:30 p.m.
CONCERT 7 p.m.
First Plymouth Congregational Church, Englewood, CO

Thursday, Jan. 11 – Colorado Springs, CO
CONCERT 7 p.m.
First Christian Church, Colorado Springs, CO

Friday, Jan. 12 – Loveland, CO
WORKSHOP 3:30 p.m.
CONCERT 7 p.m.
Thompson Valley High School, Loveland, CO

Saturday, Jan. 13 – Denver, CO

WORKSHOP 2:30 p.m.
CONCERT 7 p.m.
Augustana Lutheran Church, Denver, CO

Sunday, Jan. 14 – Denver – Littleton, CO
WORSHIP SERVICE 10:15 a.m.
Augustana Lutheran Church, Denver, CO
CONCERT 3 p.m.
Littleton United Methodist Church, Littleton, CO

Monday, Jan. 15 – Denver, CO
CONCERT 7 p.m.
South Broadway Christian Church, Denver, CO

Tuesday, Jan. 16 – Colorado Springs, CO
WORKSHOP 3 p.m.
CONCERT 7 p.m.
Pine Creek High School, Colorado Springs, CO

Wednesday, Jan. 17 – Greenwood Village – Colorado Springs, CO
WORKSHOP 9:30 a.m.
Cherry Creek High School, Greenwood Village, CO
CONCERT 7 p.m.
First United Methodist Church, Colorado Springs, CO

Thursday, Jan. 18 – Colorado Springs, CO
Colorado Music Educators Association Convention at the Broadmoor Hotel
CLINIC – Performance and Rehearsal Techniques, 11:20 a.m.-12:20 p.m.
Broadmoor Hall D/E
CLINIC – Conducting, 12:30-1:30 p.m.
Broadmoor Hall D/E