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MUSAE presents 2005 Spring Concert
American Folk: From Appalachia to Argentina
Saturday, June 4, 2005, 8pm at Noe Valley Ministry, San Francisco

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Noe Valley Ministry
1021 Sanchez Street
San Francisco

\$20 reserved, \$10 general, FREE kids under 5
Tickets available at www.musae.org
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SAN FRANCISCO, May 18, 2005—MUSAE, a ground-breaking, 15-member female vocal ensemble, performs its Second Annual Spring Concert, *American Folk: from Appalachia to Argentina*, on Saturday, June 4 at 8pm at the Noe Valley Ministry. The intriguing program features contemporary and classic music from the far reaches of North and South America.

The personal, diverse, and passionate folk-songs included in the program reflect MUSAE's innovative approach to music-making. Founding Director Natasha Hoehn explains that the group, "aims for a true 'ensemble' collaboration, where each singer is herself a leader and a soloist. Each member adopts a piece on the concert program as her own; she researches and interprets it, writes the song's program notes, and guides the rest of the group toward her vision of its performance."

MUSAE's repertoire spans centuries, cultures, and genres, all delivered by a dedicated group of professionals who seek to stretch the traditions of vocal music performance. MUSAE members are motivated and inspired by the music they make together, and report that they seek to pass along that experience to every audience member: "A common refrain, from the singers as well as our audience members, is how proud, relieved, lucky, and excited we are to be a part of

something bigger than ourselves, and to have the opportunity to experience musical endeavor that is challenging, rewarding, and a source of joy for all involved.”

ABOUT MUSAE:

Founded in 2003, MUSAE is professional female vocal ensemble based in San Francisco, whose mission is to enhance the community through the performance of accessible and diverse music. Through excellence and innovation, MUSAE stretches the traditions of repertoire for women's voices and sparks the imaginations of participants and audience members alike. This Spring, MUSAE records its debut album at Fantasy Studios in Berkeley, for release in the Fall of 2005.

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