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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE  
**MUSAE PRESENTS *THE ROAD HOME***  
**WITH BOSSA FIVE-O**

**Saturday, May 30, 2009 8pm**  
St. Mark's Episcopal Church  
2300 Bancroft Way, Berkeley

**Sunday, May 31, 2009 4pm**  
St. Luke's Episcopal Church  
1755 Clay Street, San Francisco

Tickets (\$10-\$25) are available at [www.musae.org](http://www.musae.org).

SAN FRANCISCO—March 23, 2009—**Musae**, the groundbreaking twelve-voice women's vocal ensemble, concludes its **5th Anniversary Season** celebration with a special concert in collaboration with the acclaimed **Bossa Five-O**, a Bay Area bossa nova band. ***The Road Home* features the rhythms of Brazil, Africa, and Hawaii** alongside favorite melodies and texts of the European and American traditions. Musae will also present the **world premieres of its 5th Anniversary Season composition competition winners: "Muse Light," for women's chorus and bossa nova band, by David Smith and "When I Have Fears That I May Cease to Be," an a cappella setting of a John Keats poem by Chicago-based composer Graham Meyer.**

Over the summer, Musae plans to record many of the pieces the group performs in this heartfelt and adventurous concert program, which includes Brian Holmes' "I Shall Keep Singing!," Princess Lili'uokalani's "Ahe Lau Makani," Allister MacGillivray's "Song for the Mira," and Brazilian classics "Más Que Nada," "Tico-Tico," and "Tutú Marambá." **The 5th Anniversary CD, Musae's third recording, is scheduled for release in the fall of 2009.**

This concert is supported in part by San Francisco Friends of Chamber Music and by the Zellerbach Family Foundation/William and Flora Hewlett Foundation.

## **ABOUT BOSSA FIVE-O**

Five years ago, Bossa Five-O came together out of a mutual appreciation and respect for Brazilian music and, in particular, for bossa nova. The band performs monthly at Dolores Park Cafe and frequently plays at weddings, private parties, and fundraisers. Bossa Five-O's first studio-recorded album, featuring eight bossa nova classics, was released in 2007. For more information, please visit [www.bossa50.com](http://www.bossa50.com).

## **ABOUT MUSAE**

**Musae** is a women's vocal ensemble based in San Francisco. The group takes its name from the original "ladies of song," the classic nine muses of Greek mythology. Since its founding in 2004, **Musae** has performed diverse and accessible music throughout the Bay Area, and continues to stretch the boundaries of traditional repertoire for women's voices.

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