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**22nd ANNUAL SOUNDS OF THE SEASON CONCERT TO FEATURE
SPECIAL GUEST STAR SARAH SIMMONS LANGSTON**

Calling all singing voices to join Mattie Kelly Community Chorus

DESTIN, FLORIDA (Nov. 3, 2017) — The Mattie Kelly Arts Foundation and co-presenters, Destin Assembly of God, Destin United Methodist, St. Peter Catholic Church and Village Baptist Church will present the 22nd Annual Sounds of the Season on Friday, Dec. 1 at 7 p.m. at Village Baptist Church, 101 Matthew Boulevard in Destin.

This year's concert will feature guest artist, Sarah Simmons Langston and accompanying her on stage will be her husband, Greg.

In 2013, Sarah wowed her way onto the NBC's "The Voice" resulting in all four chairs turning and advancing to the Final Eight. She majored in voice and worship leadership at the University of Mobile before transferring to the Memphis-based Visible Music College where she met her husband. They write, record and tour together.

"We are so excited to be a part of the Mattie Kelly Arts Foundation's Sounds of the Season bringing some Christmas favorites that we all know," Sarah Simmons Langston said.

The Mattie Kelly Community Chorus represents a diverse group of men and women from several local churches and residents in our community. The chorus is open to all members of the community, including area church choir members and winter residents. To participate, please join one of the following rehearsal schedules on Wednesday evenings: Destin United Methodist Church (Choir Room – 6:30 p.m.) or Village Baptist Church (Choir Room – 7 p.m.). A group rehearsal will be held on Saturday, Nov. 18

from 9 a.m. to noon at Village Baptist Church. A final rehearsal will be held on Thursday, Nov. 30 at 6 p.m. at Village Baptist Church.

Admission is a donation of a new unwrapped child's toy to be distributed among the participating church's outreach ministries to provide a brighter Christmas for families in need during the holidays. A love offering at intermission will benefit the Mattie Kelly Arts Foundation's community outreach initiatives benefiting students, adults and children with special needs, at-risk youth and wounded warriors with visible and invisible injuries in Okaloosa and Walton counties. For more information, visit online at www.MattieKellyArtsFoundation.org or call 650-2226.

For more information on MKAF membership, sponsorship and volunteer opportunities, visit www.MattieKellyArtsFoundation.org.

ABOUT MATTIE KELLY ARTS FOUNDATION

Mattie Kelly Arts Foundation (MKAF), a 501-c-3 not-for-profit charitable arts organization, was founded on the cultural, educational and spiritual beliefs of the late Destin matriarch, Mattie Kelly. MKAF's mission is Northwest Florida's champion of cultural arts and arts education for all. Since it formed in 1995, its art programs have reached and inspired more than 300,000 children in more than 70 schools, and United Way agencies, children and adults with special needs, and wounded warriors.

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