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## **Salem Communications Presents "Celebrate Freedom"**

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Grammy & Dove Award-Winning Gospel Music Performer Larnelle Harris Salutes Americans at the Waikiki Shell July 3, 2003, in Honolulu

Salem Communications Corporation (Nasdaq:SALM), the leading radio broadcaster focused on religious- and family-themes programming, announced today its Honolulu-based stations, The Fish FM 95.5, KHCM AM 940, KHNR AM 650, and KGU AM 760, will sponsor "Celebrate Freedom," a concert event to salute Americans, on July 3, 2003, in Honolulu, at the Waikiki Shell, with doors opening at 6 p.m. Salem Communications will also partner with Concert Ministries and Global Connection International to produce the event, and is co-presented by OC 16 and Honolulu Star-Bulletin. Admission for the concert is \$10.00, \$15.00, and \$20.00, with children 3 and under free. A portion from each ticket sold will benefit The Cambodian Women's Center, located in Southeast Asia.

Under the direction of song-writer/producer Thurlow Spurr, the event will feature modern Gospel sensation Larnelle Harris, who has earned six Grammy and twelve Dove awards during his two-decade career. In addition to Larnelle Harris, the event will also include performances by local Hawaiian singing groups, including Ben Vegas, Maila Gibson, and Trisha Nakamoto. And, to fill out the program, Salem Communications will invite members of local church choirs to be part of a 500-voice Hawaiian choral group, which will perform with "The Spirit of America Choir" and Larnelle Harris as back-up singers. Special Guest Nalani Choy of award-winning singing trio Na Leo will be debuting her newest CD project as well.

"Salem Communications is excited to partner with Thurlow Spurr and Jim Groen to bring to Hawaii a concert event featuring some of the most moving Gospel music arrangements. Both men have a history of producing successful festival-type music events throughout the world and we're honored to work with them in arranging the group's last stop on its Pacific Rim Tour," said T.J. Malievsky, General Manager of Salem's Hawaii stations. "'Celebrate Freedom' is just another example of Salem's commitment to bringing its audience the best in religious- and family-themes content through our live events, radio broadcasts, magazines and Web sites, OnePlace.com, and Crosswalk.com."

For more information on "Celebrate Freedom," call 808/533-0065; for Ticket Information, call the Neal Blaisdell Center Box Office at 808/591-2211.

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