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Some Seats Still Available for Peter, Paul & Mary Concert April 10

SAN LUIS OBISPO - Limited seats are available for folk singing/songwriting legends Peter, Paul & Mary when they return to the Christopher Cohan Center on Thursday, April 10 at 8 p.m., performing over four decades' worth of Grammy-winning hits and time-honored favorites.

Cal Poly Arts presents the famed trio, who debuted at Greenwich Village's Bitter End coffee house in the 1960s. Since then, their legacy has been shared by people world-wide who are on a first-name basis with Peter, Paul & Mary.

1962 marked the trio's debut on Warner Bros. Records with "Peter, Paul And Mary," which brought folk music to the vast American public and to the top of the charts. Their version of "If I Had a Hammer" was not only a popular single, it was also embraced as an anthem of the civil rights movement.

Other memorable hits include "Puff (The Magic Dragon)," "Leaving on a Jet Plane," "Early Morning Rain," and "Blowin' in the Wind." By 1970, Peter, Paul & Mary had earned eight gold and five platinum albums.

With many recordings, Grammy awards and highly rated television shows to their credit, Peter, Paul & Mary continue to embrace the family of folk music, singing new songs written by "old soul" poets of today as well as traditional ballads drawn from America's great folk heritage.

Known for having their music associated with civil rights and anti-war movements of the turbulent '60s (and beyond), today Peter Yarrow, Noel Paul Stookey, and Mary Travers devote their individual and collective efforts to issues such as gun violence against children, homelessness, and world hunger.
As Mary Travers notes, "We've always been involved with issues that deal with the fundamental human rights of people, whether that means the right to political freedom or the right to breathe air that's clean."

"People can overcome their differences, and when united, move toward a world of greater fairness and justice," adds Yarrow. "As in folk music, each person has a unique role to play."

Tickets for the performance range from $52 - $64, with student discounts available, and may be purchased at the Performing Arts Ticket Office, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. weekdays and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturdays. To order by phone, call 805/756-2787; to order by fax: 805/756-6088.

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