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Multiple Grammy Winner Kenny Loggins Returns to SLO

SAN LUIS OBISPO, CALIFORNIA - Grammy-winning singer/songwriter/musician Kenny Loggins will take center stage on Tuesday, August 6, 2002 at 8 p.m. at the Christopher Cohan Center.

Following the success of entertainers Ellen DeGeneres and Bill Cosby, Kenny Loggins performs as part of Cal Poly Arts' popular Center Stage summer series.

Since Loggins' sold-out San Luis Obispo concert in 1998, the artist has enjoyed success on many different creative fronts. In 2001, he earned a Grammy nomination for Best Children's Album for "More Songs From Pooh Corner," the follow-up to the Grammy-nominated, multi-platinum release, "Return To Pooh Corner." "More Songs." features the theme song, "Your Heart Will Lead You Home," from the Disney film, "The Tigger Movie."

The year prior, Loggins was awarded the first Songwriting Award by the Hollywood Film Festival and was also honored with a star on Hollywood's Walk of Fame.

Kenny Loggins' big break came in 1970 when he met Jim Messina and formed their own band. For half a decade, Loggins and Messina amassed two platinum and five gold albums, worldwide fame, and a distinguished list of classic hits, such as "Danny's Song," "Love Song," and "Your Mama Don't Dance." The pair parted ways in 1976 and soon thereafter, Loggins launched a career as a solo artist.

Loggins' first three albums, "Celebrate Me Home," "Nightwatch," and "Keep the Fire" all turned platinum. His self-produced album, "Vox Humanaa," was certified gold. His hits "What A Fool Believes" and "This Is It" garnered him two Grammys. He was nominated for an Academy Award for the theme song from the film, "Footloose."
In 1991 and 1992, Loggins' "Leap of Faith" release spawned four top Adult Contemporary chart singles. "Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow -- The Greatest Hits of Kenny Loggins" has sold over 20 million albums. Just a few of his many hits include "Celebrate Me Home," "Whenever I Call You Friend (with Stevie Nicks)," "This Is It," "Danger Zone," "I'm Alright," "Meet Me Halfway," and "Heart to Heart."

This summer, when not on tour, Kenny Loggins is in the studio recording a new release for Columbia Records.

Singer/songwriter Tracy Lyons will open the August 6 concert. Lyons' music has been described as "melodic and honest with a core of Celtic soul." Her debut release, "Surrender," contains the hit single, "Love Hurts."

Tickets are $52 and $58 and may be purchased at 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/SLO-ARTS (756-2787); to order by fax: (805) 756-6088.

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