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UNIVERSITY OF SAINT JOSEPH MSW PROGRAM TO HOST BENEFIT CONCERT



WEST HARTFORD, Conn. (September 3, 2014) – The Master of Social Work (MSW) Program at the University of Saint Joseph will host a concert to raise funds for scholarships and youth enrichment programs via the Keith Washington Applied Children’s Initiative program. Entitled *Song of Dreams*, the concert will take place on Thursday, September 25, 2014 at the Hoffman Auditorium in the Bruyette Athenaeum, located on the University’s main campus 1678 Asylum Avenue, West Hartford. It begins at 7:30 p.m. and features singers Alfreda Burke and Rodrick Dixon. The repertoire will include Broadway songs, spirituals, and opera selections.

Burke has performed with the Chicago Symphony Orchestra, Prague Philharmonic, and at the Kennedy Center. Likewise, Dixon has performed with the Cleveland Symphony Orchestra, the Los Angeles Philharmonic, and at the Kennedy Center, Carnegie Hall, and the White House. He is also known as one third of the group, Three Mo’ Tenors. Both singers will be led by musical director Matthew Long, who has performed with the American Theater Company, the Chicago Cultural Center and the Pegasus Players.

Tickets to *Songs of a Dream* are \$35 for general admission and \$75 for sponsor tickets. Sponsors receive reserved seating, a listing in the event’s program book, and an autographed CD of *Songs of a Dream*. To purchase tickets, visit tickets.usj.edu.

About the MSW scholarship program

The MSW Program at the University of Saint Joseph is committed to making its program accessible to all accepted students. This new scholarship will bridge the financial gap for new and current students.

About the Keith Washington Applied Children’s Initiative (KWACI)

KWACI was established in 2012 to honor Keith Wallace Washington Jr., a young man who was tragically killed in July 2011. Keith was a son, an athlete, a singer, and a student. After his death, Keith organs were donated via Donate Life so his legacy lives on. KWACI’s mission is to help children succeed academically and socially while preparing them to lead productive lives.

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The University of Saint Joseph (USJ) offers a wide range of graduate, undergraduate, and certificate programs that combine a professional and liberal arts education with a focus on service. Coeducational graduate master’s and doctoral degree programs are taught on the University’s two campuses in West Hartford and Hartford, Connecticut; at off-campus locations throughout the state; and online. Undergraduate programs for women and for coeducational adult students take place on our beautiful suburban campus and include more than 22 majors and six pre-professional programs, each of which provides personal attention in a caring environment. Founded in 1932 by the Sisters of Mercy, the University of Saint Joseph welcomes students from diverse backgrounds and religious traditions. To learn more, view our website at www.usj.edu.

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