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PLYMOUTH PIANIST DAN BECKETT CELEBRATES RELEASE OF RECORDING *SIMPLY CHRISTMAS*

CD features solo piano work and collaborations with other local musicians

Monday 26 November 2007 (Plymouth MI) – Plymouth pianist Dan Beckett announced today the release of a self-published CD, *Simply Christmas*. Mr. Beckett will perform live at CD release celebrations hosted by Evola Music Centers in Canton MI (Friday 07 December 2007, 6:30-8:00 PM EDT) and Shelby Township MI (Thursday 13 December 2007, 6:30-8:00 PM EDT). The CD will be available for purchase at live events throughout December, as well as from online retailers such as Snocap, iTunes, Napster, and Amazon.

“Dan’s fresh blend of classical, jazz, and pop-rock is sure to appeal to anyone who loves piano music. We are excited about sharing Dan’s music with the local community,” said Paul Cusamano, General Manager for Evola Music Center’s Canton location.

Simply Christmas features Mr. Beckett’s arrangements of favorite Christmas carols and standards. It highlights his characteristic piano stylings accompanied by a variety of Detroit-area vocalists and instrumentalists. Selections range from ancient carols such as “Veni Veni Emanuel” and “Ave Maria” to contemporary classics including “Christmas Time is Here” and “Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas”. *Simply Christmas* follows Beckett’s self-published debut entitled *Simplicity*, the first in a planned series of recordings featuring his original compositions for acoustic piano.

Mr. Beckett specializes in compositions, arrangements and performances for acoustic piano. Based in Plymouth, MI, his music career spans over 20 years of composing, arranging, performing, producing, and collaborating with other artists in Southeast Michigan. His music can be downloaded at <http://www.dbeckett.com/music> and <http://myspace.com/ideola>.

Evola Music Centers (<http://www.evola.com>) offers acoustic and digital pianos, organs, music lessons, and instrument rentals. Serving Southeast Michigan for over 75 years, Evola's locations include Bloomfield Hills (2184 Telegraph Road), Canton (7170 North Haggerty Road), and Shelby Township (12745 23 Mile Road).

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