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## New album from award-winning choir

The Southern Gospel Choir (SGC) has just released its second album, titled *High on a Mountain*.

The SGC, based at the University of Tasmania's Conservatorium of Music, was founded in 2001 by the head of the Conservatorium's Contemporary Music Program, Dr Andrew Legg.

SGC released their debut album *Great Day* in 2005, which was nominated for an ARIA (World Music) in 2006.

The new album was produced by Michael Spiby and Conservatorium staff members Stewart Long and Dr Legg.

Dr Legg is one of the world experts in African American gospel music and has a well-established career as a pianist and songwriter in the US with Grammy-winning artists Myron Butler and Kirk Franklin. Dr Legg is also the only Australian life member of the Gospel Music Workshop of America.

Dr Legg said he was pleased that over nine months of hard work had come to fruition and produced a stunning album which all those involved could be proud of.

"*High on a Mountain* faithfully captures the energy and passion, soul and spirit of the Southern Gospel Choir," Dr Legg said.

"It demonstrates a new maturity and confidence in musical performance for our uniquely Australian ensemble.

"The Choir always aims to honour the gospel music tradition and the lives of those who lived it and continue to live it.

"It is a voice for all humanity, speaking love, forgiveness and hope."

**What:** Southern Gospel Choir performance, featuring performances from the new album, *High on a Mountain*

**When:** Saturday 21 November 7:30 pm

**Where:** Stanley Burbury Theatre, Churchill Avenue, Sandy Bay, Hobart

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