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HMSHost and Three Key's Music CEO Marcus Johnson Launch Music CD Project *Boys & Girls Clubs of Metro Atlanta to benefit from CD sales*

BETHESDA, MD – HMSHost Corporation, a world leader in travel shopping and dining, today announced the launch of a music CD project with Marcus Johnson of Three Keys Music. Jazz keyboardist, composer and producer Marcus Johnson has shared the stage with musical legends such as Boney James and Diana Krall and has played at many world famous musical venues, including the Washington, D.C. Capital Jazz Fest and the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts. His latest CD, *The Phoenix*, has been widely lauded by jazz critics as his best work yet and reached #6 on the Billboard Contemporary Jazz Chart.

Johnson's new project, *Fly Away with Me, Atlanta Jazz Vol. 1*, focuses on the local Atlanta market and features it's local and regional musicians. The CD is the first of its kind and is the first in a planned series to feature local market music talent. It is available for purchase at more than 20 HMSHost locations* at Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport. In addition to providing world-class exposure to Atlanta-based musicians and artists, sales of *Fly Away with Me, Atlanta Jazz Vol. 1* will raise money for the local community. HMSHost and Three Keys Music will donate \$1 from the sale of each CD to the Boys & Girls Clubs of Metro Atlanta.

"HMSHost is proud to partner with Marcus Johnson and launch this program in Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport. The airport is an enormous hub for passengers—from local to regional and international locales. Everyone who purchases the CD at an HMSHost location will be contributing to the growth of the Boys & Girls Clubs of Metro Atlanta "said Joan Ryzner, Senior Vice President of HMSHost Retail. "Marcus is extremely talented in music as well as in business and his unwavering commitment to community investment mirrors our own."



Photo: Marcus Johnson of Three Keys Music and Jill Myers of HMSHost spend time at the Brookhaven Boys and Girls Club on Wednesday afternoon before the CD launch event.

“Community investment is a core component of my mission for Three Keys Music,” said Marcus Johnson, CEO of Marimej Entertainment and Three Keys Music. “Together with HMSHost, we’re demonstrating the value of local musical talent and helping them get a higher level of recognition within the Atlanta community.”

“We are thrilled to be part of this very special initiative,” said Missy Dugan, Vice President of Marketing & Resource Development for Boys & Girls Clubs of Metro Atlanta. “The Arts is an area that we focus much attention on through our programming in the clubs, so being the beneficiary of these CD sales is a joy for us and our kids.”

“Atlanta is just the first market to get a *Fly Away with Me, Atlanta Jazz Vol. 1* CD,” said Jill Myers, Senior Director, Retail Property Management and Leasing for HMSHost. “We believe we can work in communities nationwide where HMSHost has operations to create similar CDs and find similar local organizations with whom to partner.”

*** CD Sale Locations at Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport**

B CONCOURSE

News Connection – 2 locations
CNN News
News Annex – 2 locations

C CONCOURSE

News Connection – 3 locations
CNN News
Simply Books

D CONCOURSE

Atlanta News Exchange – 2 locations
News Connection
News Annex
Destination Atlanta

E CONCOURSE

Destination Atlanta
CNN News
Atlanta Emporium
Simply Books
Global News – 3 locations
News & Books

About HMSHost

HMSHost is world-renowned for creating customized shopping and dining spaces in travel venues. The innovative company operates in more than 100 airport locations around the globe, including 19 of the 20 busiest airports in North America. HMSHost has annual sales in excess of \$2.3 billion and employs more than 28,000 associates worldwide.

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A wholly-owned subsidiary of Autogrill S.p.A, HMSHost and the rest of the Autogrill Group are recognized leaders in travel amenities. With sales exceeding €3.9 billion, Autogrill is present in 33 countries with more than 4,800 points of sale in more than 1050 locations (including 163 airports and 689 motorways) where 51,000 employees serve over 840 million customers every year. Visit www.HMSHost.com for more information.

About Marcus Johnson

Johnson is President & CEO of Marimelj Entertainment Group, LLC, which serves as the parent company to Washington, D.C.-based Three Keys Music, which is also the home of Studio 8121 East, a full-service recording studio. Johnson has been featured on Fox 5 News *American Idol* comment segment, "Idol Chatter", and is a former host of the Smooth Jazz 105.9 morning show. He is a Billboard charting jazz musician whose success has helped him win the SBA's Young Entrepreneur of the Year Award, the Montgomery County Chamber of Commerce's Small Business Leader of the Year Award and secured his place on the 2005-2006 Rising Stars list for *Black Enterprise Magazine*. Johnson holds a JD and MBA from Georgetown University where he is also an adjunct professor in the school's Center for Professional Development. He is on numerous Boards including the Boys and Girls Club and the local YMCA.

About Three Keys Music

Marcus Johnson, CEO of Marimelj Entertainment, co-founded his Washington D.C.-based label, Three Keys Music, in 2002 with Robert Johnson, the founder of Black Entertainment Television (BET) and owner of the NBA's Charlotte Bobcats. Marimelj includes the Three Keys Music label and 8121 recording studios, which produces, distributes and promotes adult, urban, contemporary and jazz music. Studio 8121 has hosted sessions for various national acts and labels as well as local musicians, and is a favorite for voiceover talent and producers, audio post-production sweetening, and editing clients. Three Keys Music has established two music publishing companies, Marimelj Music Publishing and Three Keys Music Publishing. For more information please visit www.Threekeys.com.

About Boys & Girls Clubs of Metro Atlanta

Boys & Girls Clubs of Metro Atlanta operates 23 Clubs in 12 metro counties in addition to Camp Kiwanis and Youth Art Connection, a gallery and workspace for young artists. A trained and professional staff serves more than 17,000 youth annually by offering specialized programming and a safe haven for at-risk and underprivileged children and teens. Memberships cost only \$35 per school year but scholarships are available for those who need assistance. For more information, please visit www.bgcma.org.

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