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Grammy Award-winner Sandi Patty returns to Host IPL Yuletide Celebration

May 8, 2017 – Award-winning vocalist Sandi Patty returns to the Hilbert Circle Theatre this holiday season as host of the IPL Yuletide Celebration. The Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra is thrilled to announce Sandi's eighth engagement as host of this family holiday tradition in December.

Created and conducted by ISO Principal Pops Conductor Jack Everly, IPL *Yuletide Celebration* blends traditional and contemporary holiday favorites featuring our orchestra, accented by a talented cast of singers, dancers, and actors. IPL *Yuletide Celebration* celebrates its 32nd anniversary this year and continues to be the largest orchestra-produced holiday presentation of its kind.

In addition to her tenure as an IPL *Yuletide Celebration* host, Sandi Patty has a long-standing relationship with the ISO for other projects. She headlined the ISO's sold-out run of the musical *Hello, Dolly!* in January, 2012, co-starring Tony Award winner Gary Beach. Jack Everly also conducted Sandi's debut symphonic pops album, "Broadway Stories", which was released in October, 2011, to rave reviews. Throughout her 35-year career, Sandi has received five Grammy awards, four Billboard Music Awards, three platinum records, and five gold records. She recently completed her highly successful two-year "Forever Grateful" tour – her farewell to life on the road brought fans to packed houses across the country.

"We are delighted to have Sandi Patty on board for our IPL Yuletide Celebration," said Chief Executive Officer Gary Ginstling. "Sandi is an Indiana legend, and has become an integral part of the Yuletide tradition for many families. We look forward to another phenomenal holiday season in collaboration with Sandi, Jack Everly, ISO musicians, and the cast of our 32nd anniversary performances."

Tickets for the 2017 IPL *Yuletide Celebration* will go on sale September 18. Visit www.indianapolissymphony.org for more information.

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