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BEYOND BROKEBACK: A STAGED READING WITH MUSIC

Las Vegas, NV—The Las Vegas-Clark County Library District is pleased to present the acclaimed *Beyond Brokeback: A Staged Reading With Music* on Saturday, February 11 at 2 p.m. at the Clark County Library, 1401 E. Flamingo Road.

Inspired by the landmark film *Brokeback Mountain*, the program consists of staged reading of messages, essays, poetry and music that was conceived and adapted for the stage by Gregory Hinton from the 2007 book *Beyond Brokeback: Impact of a Film* written by Members of the Ultimate Brokeback Forum website, culled from over 500,000 posts. Excerpts of poignant and humorous messages, essays, and poetry—by writers young and old, male and female, gay and straight—will be interpreted by six reader/musicians. Directed by Todd Espeland with original music by Shawn Kirchner.

Beyond Brokeback was first developed and performed in 2010 at the Autry National Center in Los Angeles as part of its acclaimed Out West at the Autry series and in commemoration of the 5th Anniversary of *Brokeback Mountain*.

The production is generously sponsored by Las Vegas–Clark County Library District, HBO, the David Bohnett Foundation, Gill Foundation, the Gay & Lesbian Rodeo Heritage Foundation and the Nevada Conservatory Theatre at UNLV. Additional support provided by the Las Vegas-Clark County Library District Foundation. Free and open to the public. For more information, please call 507-3459.

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