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TONY RINO RELEASES HIS SECOND CD “*Prego – Italian & Sacred Tenor Songs*”

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Calgary, Alberta, October 22, 2006 – Tony Rino announces today that he has released his new CD entitled “*Prego – Italian & Sacred Tenor Songs*.” Tony Rino is an operatic tenor and recording artist who is involved in raising funds and awareness for many local charities through the production and participation in charity concerts.

Prego – Italian & Sacred Tenor Songs is an independently produced collection of 15 classical and traditional songs, featuring 5 sacred, 5 Italian and 5 of Tony’s favourite “live” performances. With a portion of proceeds being donated to charity, Tony Rino continues his active work in supporting the less fortunate through his love of both fun traditional songs, and beautiful classical/sacred music.

Prego – Italian & Sacred Tenor Songs features the single ‘*Tis Mary*’ arranged, composed and accompanied by David Steckenreiter. ‘*Tis Mary*’ uses lyrics from the poem “*My Madonna*” by famed Canadian poet **Robert Service**, and combines the music from 2 of the most well-known classical **Ave Maria** compositions by *Gounod* and *Schubert*.

Talented musicians and friends who accompany Tony on his new CD are Leila Chiacchia on piano, and Garry Sylvester on accordion. Barbara Thorson, soprano, joins Tony in singing “*The Prayer*” (originally recorded by Andrea Bocelli and Celine Dion). Tony’s father, Joe Rino, tenor, joins Tony in singing 2 traditional Italian sacred songs “*Riuniti Nel Nome Del Signor*” and “*Viaggio Nella Vita*.”

In 2001, Tony Rino released his debut CD entitled *Grazie*. This CD raised over \$13,000.00 for many local charities, including a donation of nearly 100 jackets distributed to Calgary’s homeless. *Grazie* sold out in 2005.

Prego – Italian & Sacred Tenor Songs is currently available for \$20.00 in the Classical/Opera Section at “*Play Entertainment*” in Market Mall Calgary, and will soon be available at other Calgary and area locations. The CD is also available for purchase on-line at Tony’s website www.PastaYoYo.com (shipping charges apply), or can be purchased at any of Tony’s concert performances as listed on www.ConcertsForCharity.com

In Italian, the word Prego means You're Welcome, and often follows the word Grazie, the word for Thank You. The Italian word Prego is also a verb meaning I Pray.

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