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For Immediate Release:

31st Annual San Francisco Free Folk Festival

June 16-17, 2007

WHAT: In its new venue this year, the San Francisco Free Folk Festival kicks off on Saturday, June 16th and runs through Sunday, June 17th. Activities continue from noon until around 11pm both Saturday and Sunday. As the name suggests, the festival events are free, and features folk, blues, new acoustic and international music.

In addition to performances by nationally recognized performers and favorite local artists, there are hands-on music and dance workshops, evening dance parties of International Dance and Vintage Ballroom on Saturday and Contra Dance on Sunday, special children's activities, and programs for the entire family. Performers this year on four stages include

- BIG WIDE GRIN, three extraordinary singer songwriters from Virginia
 - Elegant strathspeys and energetic reels from DUNSMUIR SCOTTISH DANCERS
 - GRUPO GERMINAL's musical guided tour of Latin American folk music and Nueva Cancion
 - Award-winning duo MAMADOU AND VANESSA with a mix of Mali and American folk
 - High energy Americana from DOWN NOT OUT
 - MOH ALILECH's passionate and spell-binding Algerian music
 - KAIAULU's expressive Hawaiian Hula dance
 - intense gypsy klezmer music from KARPOV
- and many more...

Food will be available on site, and there will be a Music and Crafts Marketplace.

WHEN: Noon-11 p.m. Saturday, June 16

Noon-10:30 p.m. Sunday, June 17

WHERE: City College of San Francisco, 50 Phelan Ave. at Ocean Ave., San Francisco
North Gym and nearby

Reachable by MUNI lines 29 Sunset, 49 Van Ness/Mission, 15 Third Street, 36 Teresita, 43 Masonic, J Church, K Ingleside, 54 Felton, and walking distance from BART: Balboa Park.

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