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## **HAPPY TOGETHER**

**CHOIR of HARD KNOCKS  
(now known as the Choir of Hope and Inspiration)  
and the TUTTI CHOIR  
perform together in ADELAIDE FOR THE VERY FIRST TIME  
with Maggie Beer as MC**

**ONE CONCERT ONLY!  
Adelaide Town Hall  
Sunday 19 September at 4.30pm**

The stars of the smash hit ABC Documentary, ARIA, Logie and Helpmann Award winning Choir of Hard Knocks, now known as the Choir of Hope and Inspiration, along with their Founding Music Director Dr Jonathon Welch AM, will come to Adelaide for the first time to perform with our very own Tutti Choir, founded by South Australia's 2007 Local Hero, Pat Rix and led by Tutti's Resident Conductor, Jonathan Bligh.

"It has been our dream since we first started in 2006 to come to Adelaide, share our music and show the choir members how beautiful your city is. To be sharing the stage with Pat Rix and Tutti makes the trip even more special for us," said Dr Welch.

"I first met Pat and heard Tutti sing in 2008 on a "Tour of Honour" for the National Australia Day Council in my role as Australian of the Year, Local Hero 2008, and it was love at first song for me! We are such kindred spirits Pat and I, and the amazing work she has done with Tutti over the past 13 years has been an inspiration to me also," Dr Welch said.

"It has been an amazing journey for the Choir of Hard Knocks over the past four years, and I know that when we come together with Tutti for the first time, it is going to be a magic meeting of two very special choirs which have brought thousands of people a sense of hope and inspiration," said Dr Welch.

"The Tutti Choir welcomes this fabulous opportunity to perform with Jonathon Welch and the Choir of Hope and Inspiration at the Adelaide Town Hall. We truly are kindred spirits and when like minded artists get together – magic does happen! This will be a dazzling musical celebration by two trail-blazing Australian choirs and we are looking forward to it immensely," said Ms Rix.

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The Choir of Hope and Inspiration and The Tutti Choir  
Adelaide Town Hall, King William Street, Adelaide  
Sunday 19 September, 2010 at 4.30pm  
Bookings through BASS 131 246  
\$30/\$20 concession  
Companion Card accepted

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