



Media advisory

WORLD AIDS DAY COMMEMORATION DECEMBER 1 WILL FILL NEW YORK'S ST. JOHN THE DIVINE CATHEDRAL

-- 2,000 Expected to Attend Star-Filled Event to Combat AIDS Stigma and Discrimination --

WHAT: *Live and Let Live — World AIDS Day Commemoration 2003*, at the Cathedral of St. John the Divine in New York on Dec 1 (World AIDS Day). This free event will feature music, performance, and the experiences of people living with HIV from around the world in a community effort to combat HIV-related stigma and discrimination. This is expected to be the largest event to take place in the U.S. on World AIDS Day.

WHO: Participants will include:

- **Jacque Reid**, BET nightly news anchor (event emcee)
- **Harlem Lee**, winner of NBC's *Fame* competition (United States)
- **Baaba Maal**, international music star (Senegal)
- **Nitin Sawhney**, recording artist (India)
- **Lila Downs**, singer/performer (Mexico)
- **Sinikithemba Choir** (South Africa)
- **HIV advocates** from the U.S., Ukraine, Brazil, and South Africa

Live and Let Live is organized by the UN Department of Public Information, UNAIDS and its Cosponsors, African Services Committee, Church World Service, and Artists Against AIDS Worldwide, and is supported by the United Nations Foundation and its sister organization the Better World Fund.

WHEN: Monday, December 1, 2003
7:30-9:30 p.m. (Doors open at 6:30 p.m.)

WHERE: Cathedral of St. John the Divine
112th St. & Amsterdam Ave., New York (Subway: 1,9 to 110th St.)

***** MEDIA PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED *****

Media are welcome. All media must pre-register to attend. To pre-register, please contact:

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