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**IT'S A MERRIER AND MORE MUSICAL HOLIDAY SEASON WHEN  
ARTISTS SHOW OFF THEIR VOCAL TALENTS DURING  
THE 10<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF HALLMARK CHANNEL'S 'COUNTDOWN TO CHRISTMAS'  
AND HALLMARK MOVIES & MYSTERIES' 'MIRACLES OF CHRISTMAS'**

**Kristin Chenoweth, Amy Grant, Drew Seeley,  
Chaley Rose & Rome Flynn Lend Their Voices to Original Movie Premieres**

BEVERLY HILLS, CA – July 26, 2019 – Christmas wouldn't be Christmas without songs of the season. This holiday, viewers will get a special musical treat with original movie premieres during Hallmark Channel's 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of "Countdown to Christmas" and Hallmark Movies & Mysteries' "Miracles of Christmas" programming events when artists including Tony® and Emmy® Award winner **Kristin Chenoweth** (*You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown*, "Pushing Daisies"), Grammy Award winner **Amy Grant**, television and Broadway star **Drew Seeley** (*Jersey Boys*, "One Tree Hill"), actress and singer **Chaley Rose** ("Nashville") and actor and singer **Rome Flynn** ("How to Get Away with Murder") lend their vocal talents to original songs featured in the networks' romantic and heartwarming yuletide tales. The songs from treasured music icons Elvis Presley and Dolly Parton are also a marquee part of the networks' Christmas celebration in "**Christmas at Graceland 2**" (wt) and "**Christmas at Dollywood**," providing a very merry soundtrack. The announcement was made today as part of Crown Media Family Networks' bi-annual Television Critics Summer Press Tour.

"The right Christmas music is key to setting the mood for the holiday season so we couldn't be more thrilled to feature original songs in our movie premieres this year," said Michelle Vicary, Executive Vice President, Programming & Network Publicity, Crown Media Family Networks. "We're fortunate to have so many new songs performed by such talented stars, so turn up the volume because this holiday season will be triumphant and bright on Hallmark."

In "**A Christmas Love Song**," Chenoweth stars as a youth choir director who needs to write a big song for the Christmas Eve show but becomes distracted from that endeavor when Danny (Kevin Quinn, "Bunk'd"), a boy with a golden voice joins her choir, much to the surprise of his widowed father played by Scott Wolf ("The Night Shift," "Party of Five"). Little does she know a life-changing, emotional surprise is in store for her moments before the show as she gets ready to take the stage and sing "When Angels Land" with Danny.

Drew Seeley harkens back to his pop background in "**Write Before Christmas**," in which he portrays Jax, a once-hot pop star who's stepped away from the spotlight in recent years. When he receives an unexpected Christmas card from Jessica (Torrey DeVitto, "Chicago Med," "One Tree Hill") explaining how his music got her through a difficult period in her life, he becomes inspired once again and sets out to write a new Christmas song. Jax reconnects with his former band members to mend fences and reunite just in time for a pop-up Christmas Eve performance.

In **"A Christmas Duet,"** Chaley Rose and Rome Flynn star as Averie and Jesse, a former singing duo famous for their song "Wouldn't Be Christmas." Five years earlier they went their separate ways both romantically and professionally but chance brings them together when he makes a stop while touring at the inn she now runs. As she preps to host the town's Yuletide Festival and he gets further waylaid by inclement weather, it's undeniable that sparks begin to rekindle and just maybe the magic of Christmas will bring them back together both on stage and as a couple.

Beloved by millions for her Christmas music, Amy Grant and her timeless voice will be featured front and center in her first movie for Hallmark Movies & Mysteries, the heartfelt **"When I Think of Christmas."**

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