



Teen singer plans Mercy Corps benefit

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Denn?ood-Mojab will appear in concert on April 10, at 7 p.m. at HART Theatre in Hillsboro, at a fundraising event for Mercy Corps' work with earthquake victims in Haiti.

Her goal is to raise at least \$5,000 through ticket sales, donations at the concert and donations through her Mercy Corps fundraising Web page.

The program will include classical songs, operatic arias, and other works in English, Italian, German, and Farsi. Good-Mojab has studied voice with Christine Meadows, the director of opera at Portland State University.

Good-Mojab, 13, is a sophomore at Eastern Oregon University. In 2007, when she was 10, she debuted with the Portland Opera in Mozart's "The Magic Flute." She also sang with the opera in its 2009 production of "La Boh?."

In June, she will graduate from high school Estacada All-Prep Early College while a full-time college student. In the fall, she will attend Portland State University, double majoring in English and music with an emphasis on voice.

On January 12, 2010, a 7.0-magnitude earthquake devastated Haiti, the poorest country in the Western Hemisphere. Up to 200,000 people were killed and 3 million people were left in urgent need of aid.

Mercy Corps' team of emergency response experts has been in Haiti since the Jan. 12 earthquake, working to meet survivors' immediate needs for clean water, food, shelter and hygiene, and helping Haitians move toward long-term recovery and self-sufficiency.

A representative from Mercy Corps will be at the concert to talk about the organization's ongoing work in Haiti and to accept additional donations.

HART Theatre is owned and operated by Friends of HART, a non-profit community organization dedicated to enriching the greater Hillsboro community by providing quality live performing arts. Carrie Boatwright, co-artistic director of HART Theatre, said, "HART is excited to help Denn?ood-Mojab raise funds for Mercy Corps' work in Haiti through hosting her 'Singing for Haiti' benefit concert. Good-Mojab last performed at HART as Helen in the 2010 production of "A Christmas Story."

Tickets for the concert are \$35 each. For information, contact HART Theatre, 503-693-7815, or visit www.hart-theatre.org. For information about Mercy Corps, visit www.mercycorps.org. To make a donation to Singing for Haiti, visit Good-Mojab's Mercy Corps fundraising page at www.mercycorps.org/fundraising/dgoodmojab.

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