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# News Release

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## **VOICES OF GLORY concert slated for 8<sup>th</sup> annual Gordon Parks Celebration**

**Fort Scott**– The “America’s Got Talent” singing sibling trio, **Voices of Glory**, will perform on Friday, October 7, 2011 at the Ellis Family Fine Arts Center on the campus of Fort Scott Community College as part of the eighth annual Gordon Parks Celebration. The concert starts at 7:30 p.m. and tickets are \$10 for adults (\$15 for reserved seats) and \$5 for children and students (\$10 for reserved seats). FSCC students are admitted free.



The popular **Voices of Glory** are making their second appearance in Fort Scott. Last year they played to a near-capacity audience during the Parks Celebration. “We had so many people asking for us to bring them back and luckily they had an opening in their tour schedule,” said Jill Warford, Gordon Parks Museum director. “Their careers are really taking off and they are planning an international tour to Germany, Asia and Africa in the next year so we were lucky to get them.”

The **Voices of Glory’s** unique style of singing harmonies makes them stand out. Michael, 19; Avery, 15; and Nadia Cole, 11, started singing together in 2007 after their mother, Felicia, was in a head-on car collision with a drunk driver, which landed her in a coma. They serenaded their mother for months and she eventually came out of the coma and started rehabilitation. They started traveling to nursing homes and other hospitals in an effort to help other patients.

In 2009, the group beat out more than 100,000 hopefuls for a spot on the NBC hit, “*America’s Got Talent*,” and made it to the top five. In 2010, **Voices of Glory** performed during the preshow of gospel music’s biggest night, the 41st Annual GMA Dove Awards. The heartwarming story and the siblings’ unmatched melodic and harmonic prowess not only led to their stint on “*America’s Got Talent*,” but also opened doors for a recording contract and their own music show in Branson, Missouri, and an opportunity to sing before a crowd of more than 18,000 in Madison Square Garden. In May 2010 the family story was aired nationally on Fox News network, as a mother’s day weekend special.

This past summer, at the 2011 Branson Gospel Music Convention, **Voices of Glory** won the Sunrise Award at the 2011 Diamond Awards for their debut album “Voices of Glory” released earlier this year. They also made it into the final selection of Youth in Music nominations for the 17th Annual ICM Awards that will be presented in Nashville on October 28th. VOG was nominated for the Branson Song and Writer Association’s 2011 Best Trio Award as well as being voted among the top three at the 2011 Allstate Super Gospel Fest Competition in

Indianapolis. The group also has a new video, "You Untie My Wings" that can be accessed at [www.voicesofglory2020](http://www.voicesofglory2020).

The Celebration schedule is available on the Center's website [www.gordonparkscenter.org](http://www.gordonparkscenter.org). Tickets for Gordon Parks Celebration events are on sale at the Gordon Parks Museum on the FSCC campus and in downtown Fort Scott at The Country Cupboard. For more information contact the Center by phone at 223-2700, ext. 5850 or by email at [gordonparkscenter@fortscott.edu](mailto:gordonparkscenter@fortscott.edu) or see the website.

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