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**MATT ALBER ANNOUNCES NATIONAL CONCERT TOUR
Award-Winning Singer/Songwriter to Perform Series of Concerts
Benefitting Local LGBT Youth Organizations**

Los Angeles, CA/April 19, 2011/positivePR – Award-winning singer/songwriter, Matt Alber announced a five-city national tour today, a portion of whose proceeds will benefit local LGBT youth organizations. The tour opens in San Diego, CA, on May 16, 2011, followed by Los Angeles (May 19); Chicago (May 25); San Francisco (June 3); and New York City (June 6). Each concert will benefit a local organization supporting LGBT youth.

Alber's groundbreaking video, "End of the World," won a 2010 Out Music Award and he has recorded two Grammy Award winning albums with the classical ensemble, Chanticleer. Followers of Iron & Wine, Imogen Heap and Eva Cassidy will rest easy at Alber's shows, two of which - Los Angeles and New York City – will feature full bands. Kicked out of his home at age 17, for being gay, Alber has selected a local youth organization in each city that will benefit from a portion of the proceeds of his show.

"I'm a lucky guy," says Alber. "I get to sing and write songs for a living and at the end of the day I lay my head in a soft, warm bed next to the man I love. But I'm mindful that there are tens of thousands of young gay people in America who sleep in alleyways and eat meals from dumpsters. They live in the same cities where gay adults like me live happy, peaceful lives writing checks to fight for our own equality and planning our next vacation. It is my hope that by partnering with local organizations who are already empowering exiled youth, we can not only lend some financial support, but also bring awareness to the importance of caring for LGBT youth in our society."

Alber has teamed with The San Diego Center; the Los Angeles Youth Network; the UCAN LGBTQ Host Home Program in Chicago; the Hetrick Martin Institute, home of Harvey Milk High School, in New York City; and Larkin Street Youth Services in San Francisco. Concerts are scheduled for The Soda Bar (San Diego); The Hotel Café (Los Angeles); Schubas Tavern (Chicago); Hotel Utah (San Francisco); and Joe's Pub (New York City). Ticket information is available at www.mattalber.com.

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