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**MPRESS RECORDS CONTINUES NEW ARRIVALS SERIES
VOLUME 2 AVAILABLE IN STORES NATIONWIDE MAY 1 2007
PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT WORLD HUNGER YEAR**

JANUARY 10, 2007 - New York, NY – Built on the entrepreneurial spirit and creative vision of its founder and 2005 Independent Music Award Winner **Rachael Sage**, New York-based MPress Records is readying the second in a series of annual rising artist compilations with *New Arrivals: Volume Two* (NAV2), available in stores nationwide May 1, 2007.

Like its predecessor, 100% of the proceeds from sales of *New Arrivals: Volume Two* (NAV2) will benefit another worthy organization, World Hunger Year (<http://www.worldhungeryear.org/>). Sales from *New Arrivals: Volume One* (NAV1) continue to benefit Gulf Coast Hurricane Relief, following the devastation of the region by Hurricane Katrina in September 2005.

Notable indie pioneers Melissa Ferrick, Anne Heaton and Rachael Sage add to the diverse and talented roster from across the country including: Spin Doctors front-man and native New Yorker Chris Barron; Texas-based Americana vocalist and 2006 Independent Music Award Winner Kristy Krüger; Vermont-based singer/songwriter Gregory Douglass; Chicago rock / soul artist Todd Carey; and Boston Music Award Nominee Mieka Pauley. In addition, hitmaker Jeff Cohen (who has penned songs for such artists as Macy Gray, Sugarland and Tietur), appears with his NYC roots-rock outfit Pancho's Lament.

A *New Arrivals* tour is planned for Spring 2007 and will feature a rotating line-up of artists from both releases coming to major U.S. cities including New York, Boston, Chicago, Atlanta, San Francisco and Los Angeles.

ABOUT NEW ARRIVALS: VOLUME ONE (NAV1): Culled from over a thousand emerging artist submissions, *New Arrivals: Volume One* is MPress Records' first-ever indie music compilation, featuring tracks by Jill Sobule, Patti Rothberg, Girlyman and more than a dozen other emerging artists; it is the first in an annual series devoted to highlighting exceptional independent talent.

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All of the songwriters on *New Arrivals: Volume One* are fast-rising and award-winning. Paul Brill won CMJ'S 2005 Band Search; Jenny Bruce's music has been featured in the trailer for CBS TV's "Ghost Whisperer" with Jennifer Love Hewitt; Noe Venable was recently voted the "Best Female Artist" by the Bay Area Music Awards; Michal received a 2005 Emmy Award for Music; and Rich Price was featured on the Shrek 2 Soundtrack.

ABOUT MPRESS RECORDS/RACHAEL SAGE: Founded a decade ago by **Rachael Sage**, MPress Records has released seven of Sage's keyboard-driven art/pop albums including the most recent, 2006's *The Blistering Sun*, and has produced numerous showcases and festivals highlighting DIY musicians (i.e. "MPressFests") throughout the country. *New Arrivals: Volume One* is the label's first recording project aimed at increasing exposure for exceptional independent material. MPress Records will be expanding its catalog in 2007 beyond *New Arrivals: Volume Two* to include other innovative, up-and-coming artists, while continuing to champion diverse independent music and exceptional song craftsmanship via its *New Arrivals* series.

Determined to give back to the independent and singer/songwriter communities which have nurtured her own career, Sage has been inspired to present such a compilation "ever since I performed at Lilith Fair and experienced firsthand how powerful it could be...for artists at all different levels in their careers to perform together for an equally diverse group of music-lovers."

MPRESS Records / Rachael Sage discography:

Title	Artist	Release Date
<i>Morbid Romantic</i>	Rachael Sage	1996
<i>Smashing The Serene</i>	Rachael Sage	1998
<i>Painting Of A Painting</i>	Rachael Sage	2001
<i>Illusion's Carnival</i>	Rachael Sage	2002
<i>Public Record</i>	Rachael Sage	2003
<i>Ballads & Burlesque</i>	Rachael Sage	2004
<i>New Arrivals: Volume One</i>	Various Artists	February 7, 2006
<i>The Blistering Sun</i>	Rachael Sage	May 18, 2006
<i>New Arrivals: Volume Two</i>	Various Artists	May 1, 2007

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