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ZAKIR HUSSAIN AND MASTERS OF PERCUSSION PREMIERE APRIL 24

ST. LOUIS, MO - "Live From The Sheldon" a monthly virtual concert series, presented by The Sheldon and HEC Media, continues with world music superstar **Zakir Hussain: Masters of Percussion, premiering April 24 at 7 p.m. and running through May 1** on both The Sheldon's and HEC's Facebook and YouTube pages, HEC's website at https://hecmedia.org, and on HEC Media's cable channels: 989 Spectrum and 99 U-verse.

In addition to these local outlets, the concert will also be broadcast by partner venues throughout the region, including The Stiefel Theatre in Salina, KS; McCain Auditorium at Kansas State University, Manhattan, KS; Midwest Trust Center at Johnson County Community College, Overland Park, KS; ECC Arts Center at Elgin Community College, Elgin, IL; Five Points Washington in Washington, IL; Connect2Culture in Joplin, MO; Gallagher Bluedorn Performing Arts Center at the University of Northern Iowa, Cedar Falls, IA; and Pearson Lakes Art Center in Okoboii, IA.

Widely considered the father of the contemporary world music movement and a classical tabla virtuoso, percussionist Zakir Hussain is an international phenomenon. One of the most influential musicians of the past 50 years, and co-founder of the legendary fusion band Shakti, Hussain is known for his masterful improvisations and brilliant live performances.

Hussain is joined by his fellow Masters of Percussion: Anantha Krishnan, Mridangam; Marcus Gilmore, drums; and Pezhham Akhavass, tombak and daf.

To watch "Live From The Sheldon," follow <u>The Sheldon</u> and <u>HEC</u> Facebook pages, and subscribe to <u>The Sheldon</u>'s and <u>HEC</u>'s YouTube channels. *Support for the stream is provided by Sangeetha St. Louis.*

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