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SHELDON TO REQUIRE PROOF OF VACCINATION OR NEGATIVE COVID TEST TO ATTEND TICKETED EVENTS

ST. LOUIS, MO – In order to endure the safety and health of audience members, artists, crew, staff and volunteers, The Sheldon will require proof of full vaccination* OR a negative COVID test no more than 48 hours old, to attend ticketed concerts and events. The Sheldon is pleased to join our music and arts colleagues in Grand Center, and throughout the city and county, in taking this important step in bringing live events back to St. Louis this fall.

"Our amazing patrons and artists have trusted and supported us throughout the pandemic, and now that we have the very exciting opportunity to bring live music back to The Sheldon stage on a weekly basis, we want to be sure we're doing it in the most safe, responsible way possible," says Peter Palermo, Sheldon executive director. "Sheldon audiences are consistently praised by our artists as the best in the country, and we know that they will happily do their part to help us safely bring concerts back to The Sheldon!"

Sheldon Vaccination Policy:

- Beginning September 2, 2021, anyone aged 12 or older, attending a ticketed event at The Sheldon, will be asked to show proof of full vaccination* OR a negative COVID-19 test taken no more than 48 hours before time of entry into the event. Patrons should be prepared to show their vaccination card, or proof of negative COVID test, or a photo of their vaccination card or test results on their mobile devices, before entering The Sheldon.
- All concert staff, ushers, bartenders, crew and artists will be required to show proof of vaccination, or provide a recent negative COVID test, as well.
- Masks are also required at all times when inside The Sheldon unless actively eating or drinking.
- Ticket buyers have until October 1, 2021 to request a refund for their previously purchased tickets, or by 11:59 p.m. the night before the event, whichever comes first. The Sheldon will also maintain a flexible ticket exchange policy throughout the season to accommodate any health and safety-related concerns.

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- The vaccination policy does not apply to the Sheldon Art Galleries (including "Golf the Galleries"), Sheldon Educational Programs or private events.
- This policy will be re-evaluated as vaccination and transmission rates change over the coming months.

* Must have received two doses of either the Moderna or Pfizer COVID-19 vaccines or a single dose of the Janssen (Johnson & Johnson) vaccine more than 14 days before the concert.

Ticket-holders still in need of vaccination can visit <u>https://www.stlouis-mo.gov/covid-19/vaccine/</u> for information and to book their appointment today.

For more information, contact The Sheldon at 314-533-9900 or <u>marketing@thesheldon.org</u>.

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