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LAS CAFETERAS OPENS THE WHITAKER WORLD MUSIC CONCERTS SERIES AT THE SHELDON

ST. LOUIS – The Sheldon presents **Las Cafeteras** on Saturday, January 29, 2022 at 8 p.m. in the perfect acoustics of the Sheldon Concert Hall. This concert is part of the 2022 Whitaker World Music Concerts series, marking the 4th year of this popular world music showcase, funded with the generous support of the Whitaker Foundation. Through this popular series, the Whitaker Foundation has allowed The Sheldon to take its commitment to "Arts Without Borders" to the international level, connecting St. Louisans to a broad range of world cultures through music.

Las Cafeteras have taken the music scene by storm with their infectious live performances that cross genre and musical borders. Born and raised east of the Los Angeles River, Las Cafeteras are remixing roots music and telling modern-day stories of Latino and immigrant lives. Using traditional Son Jarocho instruments like the jarana, requinto, quijada (donkey jawbone) and tarima (a wooden platform), the group sings in English, Spanish and Spanglish and melds styles, from rock to hip-hop to rancheras. Las Cafeteras use music as a vehicle to build bridges among different cultures and communities to create "a world where many worlds fit."

With over 15 years of collective experience in education, organizing, curriculum development, social work, movement building, health and wellness, musical performance and theater, Las Cafeteras offer workshops, training and residencies in an effort to engage a variety of audiences. The group combines history, humor, critical thought and audience participation in a fun and unique way. **The Sheldon will offer a special education concert with Las Cafeteras on Thursday, January 27, 2022 at 10 a.m.** with virtual and in-person viewing options. Teachers and students can register and find more information online at <u>TheSheldon.org</u>.

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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.

Ticket buyers have until 11:59 p.m. the night before the event to request a refund for their tickets. The Sheldon will also maintain a flexible ticket exchange policy throughout the season to accommodate any health and safety-related concerns.

Tickets for the concert on January 29 are \$40 orchestra 1 / \$35 orchestra 2 / \$30 balcony 1 / \$25 balcony 2 / \$15 student, and are on sale now through MetroTix at 314-534-1111 and through The Sheldon's website at <u>TheSheldon.org</u>, For more information, call The Sheldon at 314-533-9900 or visit <u>TheSheldon.org</u>.

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