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## CLARINETIST ANAT COHEN DEBUTS NEW GROUP, QUARTETINHO, AT THE SHELDON

ST. LOUIS – The Sheldon presents **Anat Cohen Quartetinho** featuring Vitor Gonçalves, Tal Mashiach and James Shipp on Friday, October 14, 2022 at 8 p.m. in the perfect acoustics of the Sheldon Concert Hall.

Grammy-nominated clarinetist-saxophonist Anat Cohen debuts her brand-new group – the Anat Cohen Quartetinho – featuring Cohen on clarinet and bass clarinet, Vitor Gonçalves on accordion and piano, Tal Mashiach on bass and 7-string guitar, and James Shipp on percussion, vibraphone and electronics. Hailing from Israel, the U.S. and Brazil, the members of Quartetinho explore a myriad of musical influences, acoustic and electronic sounds on a new recording of the same name, releasing October 7.

Cohen has been a force on the jazz scene for two decades. She was born in Tel Aviv, Israel, and raised in a musical family, attending the Tel Aviv School for the Arts, the "Thelma Yellin" High School for the Arts and the Jaffa Music Conservatory, beginning clarinet studies at age 12. After graduation, she discharged her mandatory Israeli military service duty from 1993-95, playing tenor saxophone in the Israeli Air Force band.

Since then, Cohen has won hearts and minds the world over with her expressive virtuosity and delightful stage presence. She has been voted "Clarinetist of the Year" six years in a row by the Jazz Journalists Association, as well as 2012's "Multi-Reeds Player of the Year." She has topped both the critics' and readers' polls in *DownBeat* magazine several years running, and has toured the world with her quartet, headlining at the Newport, Umbria, SF Jazz and North Sea jazz festivals, as well as at such hallowed clubs as New York's Village Vanguard.

Tickets are \$41 orchestra / \$36 balcony 1 / \$31 balcony 2, 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>.