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SPECIAL CONCERT ANNOUNCEMENT

WYNTON MARSALIS RETURNS TO THE SHELDON WITH JAZZ AT LINCOLN CENTER ORCHESTRA AND NASEER SHAMMA

Event: The Friends of The Sheldon present

Jazz at Lincoln Center Orchestra with Wynton Marsalis

featuring Naseer Shamma, oud

When: Sunday, January 29, 2023 at 7:30 p.m.

Where: Sheldon Concert Hall

Patron tickets: On sale now at \$150 and include a pre-concert reception,

complimentary parking, preferred seating and a tax-deduction. Call The Sheldon at 314-533-9900 or visit TheSheldon.org

Concert-only tickets: On sale November 18 at 10 a.m.

\$65 orchestra/\$55 balcony 1/\$45 balcony 2

Call MetroTix at 314-534-1111 or visit TheSheldon.org

ST. LOUIS — The Friends of The Sheldon present *Jazz at Lincoln Center Orchestra with Wynton Marsalis featuring Naseer Shamma, oud* in a concert benefitting Sheldon Educational Programs, which serve over 70,000 St. Louis area students each year. **Wynton Marsalis** has invited the revered Iraqi oud virtuoso, composer, educator, musicologist and UNESCO Artist for Peace **Naseer Shamma** on tour for the world premiere performances of a new collaboration, *Middle East Meditations*, and will feature new works arranged by Marsalis, Shamma and Jazz at Lincoln Center Orchestra members.

The Jazz at Lincoln Center Orchestra (JLCO) comprises 15 of the finest jazz soloists and ensemble players today. Under Music Director Wynton Marsalis, the Jazz at Lincoln Center Orchestra performs a vast repertoire, from rare historic compositions to Jazz at Lincoln Center-commissioned works, including compositions and arrangements by Duke Ellington, Thelonious Monk, Mary Lou Williams, Benny Goodman and many others.

JLCO and Wynton Marsalis will be joined by internationally renowned musician and humanitarian, **Naseer Shamma**. Known for being one of the world's greatest oud (an ancient Middle Eastern stringed instrument) virtuosos, he has received numerous awards for his contributions to promoting and advancing the oud and Arabic music all over the world.

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