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VERONICA SWIFT BRINGS HER FRESH LOOK AT CLASSIC SONGS TO SHELDON RHYTHM & JAZZ SERIES

ST. LOUIS – The Sheldon presents **Veronica Swift** as part of The Sheldon Rhythm & Jazz series, on Saturday, November 5 at 8 p.m. in the perfect acoustics of the Sheldon Concert Hall.

Up-and-coming bebop and traditional swing vocalist Veronica Swift has already developed an impressive repertoire, running the gamut from swing to bebop to the Great American Songbook. Boasting a clear and lilting tone and radiant stage presence, she is also a master of rigorous vocal techniques like vocalese and scat. She first gained widespread attention performing with a host of jazz luminaries, including trumpeters Wynton Marsalis and Chris Botti, and pianist Benny Green and Michael Feinstein. A winner of the 2015 Thelonious Monk International Vocal Competition, Swift's new album, *This Bitter Earth*, finds the artist looking outward, channeling classics songs through a modern lens.

"Swift is a supernova. And the players who help manifest her vision make *This Bitter Earth* a musical bounty of depth and breadth." — *DownBeat* Magazine

Tickets are \$45 orchestra / \$40 balcony 1 / \$35 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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