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SPECIAL CONCERT ANNOUNCEMENT

June 26, 2023

DAMIEN ESCOBAR BRINGS VICTORY LAP TOUR TO THE SHELDON Tickets On Sale Friday, June 30 at 10 a.m.

Event:	Damien Escobar: Victory Lap Tour
When:	Friday, October 13 at 8 p.m.
Where:	The Sheldon
Tickets:	On sale Friday, June 30 at 10 a.m. \$51 Orchestra Front / \$46 Orchestra Rear / \$41 Balcony VIP Add-On: \$100 Call MetroTix at 314-534-1111 or visit <u>TheSheldon.org</u>

ST. LOUIS —Damien Escobar brings his Victory Lap Tour to the perfect acoustics of the Sheldon Concert Hall Friday, October 13 at 8 p.m. Tickets will go on sale through MetroTix on Friday, June 30 at 10 a.m. by phone at 314-534-1111 and online at <u>TheSheldon.org</u>.

Hailed as one of the most influential and impactful violinists in modern history— two-time Emmy award-winning artist Damien Escobar has spent nearly two decades cementing his legacy as the "King of Strings." He's inspired listeners, broken barriers and created a blueprint for other contemporary violinists who aspire to top the charts and make their way onto main stages around the world.

The Jamaica, Queens native who is known for his charisma, sincere humility and undeniable talent, has always believed the key to his success is rooted in his humble beginnings. It is the main source that keeps him connected to his fans, and cultivates his unending love for performing. If you've heard his story, you know that Escobar's journey after Juilliard (from which he graduated at the age of 12) wasn't easy. But his passion and vision took him from playing for straphangers on New York City subways to serenading everyone from Oprah to the Obamas while achieving several lifetime goals in between— including an NAACP award nomination, *Billboard* chart topping album releases and sold out tours around the world.

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In 2022, Escobar introduced his "Life Out Loud" tour — an inspiring experience intended to affirm audiences to live authentically and unapologetically. With new ventures, including new music being developed, Escobar is letting it be known that his reign as the King of Strings will not cease.

With an upcoming album slated to drop in 2023, Escobar is on a mission to prove there's astonishing power in instrumental music and his intention is to motivate listeners and make an impact on mainstream music like never before.

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About The Sheldon Arts Foundation

Through the power of music and art, The Sheldon ensures that all have access to unique, relevant and inventive experiences that change lives and strengthen our community.

The Sheldon hosts more than 350 events each year including performances in the acoustically perfect Sheldon Concert Hall and world-class art exhibitions in the Sheldon Art Galleries, as well as weddings, community events and educational programs in its many special events spaces.