



T H E
SHELDON
Arts Without Borders

Chris Peimann
Director of Advancement
cpeimann@TheSheldon.org
314.533.9900 ext. 19

Sarah Samples
Marketing Manager
ssamples@TheSheldon.org

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

September 6, 2022

LIVING BLUES GIANTS ELVIN BISHOP AND CHARLIE MUSSELWHITE OPEN SHELDON FOLK SERIES

ST. LOUIS – The Sheldon presents **Elvin Bishop and Charlie Musselwhite** Friday, October 7 at 8 p.m. in the perfect acoustics of the Sheldon Concert Hall to open the 2022-2023 Sheldon Folk Series.

Rock & Roll Hall of Fame guitarist **Elvin Bishop** and Grammy-winning harmonica master **Charlie Musselwhite** are fellow blues travelers and living blues legends. The two history-making musicians, both Blues Hall of Famers, have over 100 years of professional musicianship between them. Performing music from their recent release, *100 Years Of Blues*, their first-ever duo project represents blues at its deepest, warmest and most engaging.

Bishop and Musselwhite have been soaking the blues up since their childhoods in the American South. Bishop was raised in Oklahoma and Musselwhite in Mississippi and Memphis, Tennessee. Both began playing their instruments with no plans to become professionals, but both also wound up in Chicago in the early 1960s. They were quickly accepted by the veteran musicians they met in Chicago's South Side blues clubs – Bishop by Little Smokey Smothers, Hound Dog Taylor, J.T. Brown and Junior Wells, and Musselwhite by Big Joe Williams, Big Walter Horton, and, eventually, by Muddy Waters. Both men went to win fame by introducing blues music to rock and roll fans, earning respect in both genres.

Tickets are limited! Priced at \$50 orchestra / \$45 balcony 1 / \$40 balcony 2, they are on sale now through MetroTix at 314-534-1111 and through The Sheldon's website at TheSheldon.org. For more information, call The Sheldon at 314-533-9900 or visit TheSheldon.org.

###

Sponsored by Jim and Mindy Watson