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Arts Without Borders

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The Sheldon Receives Les Paul Foundation Grant to Support STEAM Program *Donation to Help Support Sheldon SOLID Instrument Build Project*

ST. LOUIS, MO – The Sheldon is pleased to announce that it has once again received a grant from the Les Paul Foundation to support its SOLID (Science of Learning Instrument Design) Project.

The Sheldon SOLID Project is a STEAM (science, technology, engineering, arts and math)-based program, supported by the Saint Louis Science Center, that challenges students to design and create their own musical instruments by following the steps of the engineering cycle. SOLID is designed to get students excited about creative problem solving by combining the creativity of the arts with STEM disciplines. The program provides the opportunity for students to learn about the connected worlds of sound, science and art.

"The Sheldon is thrilled to partner with the Les Paul Foundation once again to make this free STEAM program available to metro-area students," says Sheldon Executive Director, Peter Palermo. "Les Paul was an innovator who changed the way music is played and recorded. We are honored that the Les Paul Foundation is carrying on his legacy by giving us the chance to help shape the world's next innovators and inventors."

About The Sheldon

With a mission to provide the St. Louis community and beyond with "Arts Without Borders," The Sheldon breaks down barriers, making music and visual art accessible to all. Known around the world for its acoustically perfect concert hall, the adjoining Sheldon Art Galleries present world-class visual art exhibitions. Over 70,000 young people each year engage in Sheldon education programs including live and online performances, and the STEAM-based SOLID Music Project. TheSheldon.org.

About The Les Paul Foundation

The Les Paul Foundation inspires innovative and creative thinking by sharing the legacy of Les Paul through support of music education, recording, innovation, exhibits about Les Paul and medical research related to hearing. <https://www.les-paul.com/>

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