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THE ST. LOUIS RAGTIMERS RETURN TO THE SHELDON COFFEE CONCERT SERIES

ST. LOUIS – The Sheldon presents St. Louis Ragtimers, November and 19 and 20 at 10 a.m. in the perfect acoustics of the Sheldon Concert Hall. A returning favorite to The Sheldon’s Coffee Concert Series, the Ragtimers, featuring Trebor Tichenor on piano, Al Striker on banjo, Bill Mason on trumpet and Don Franz on tuba, the St. Louis Ragtimers perform a dynamic style of ragtime and Dixieland jazz.

Formed in 1961, the St. Louis Ragtimers combine the folk rags of Missouri and the stomps and shouts of New Orleans to create a unique blend of music that harkens back to the old St. Louis riverboats. From the 1960s – 1980s the group called the Goldenrod Showboat home, hosting a jazz and ragtime festival each summer. To continue their Dixieland legacy, they have traveled to various festivals around the world, created more than half a dozen albums, and been featured on NBC’s Today Show.

Trebor Tichenor, the band’s leader, has created an international reputation for himself as a ragtime pianist and composer, and currently teaches the history of ragtime music at Washington University. Known for his research, Tichenor boasts a collection of piano rolls, sheet music and rare recordings. He has recorded six solo albums and co-authored Rags and Ragtimes, with David Jansen. Tichenor has been awarded many honors, including the Scott Joplin Foundation Award for “extraordinary contributions to the field of ragtime” in 1992.

Tickets are $15 orchestra/$12 balcony, and are on sale now through MetroTix at 314-534-1111, through The Sheldon’s website at TheSheldon.org, or in person at The Fox Theatre Box Office, 534 N. Grand Blvd. For more information, call The Sheldon at 314.533.9900 or visit TheSheldon.org.

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