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**JOHN MCEUEN AND JOHN CARTER CASH CLOSE THE SHELDON FOLK SERIES
WITH THE MUSIC OF “WILL THE CIRCLE BE UNBROKEN”**

ST. LOUIS – The Sheldon presents John McEuen and John Carter Cash and Family: “Will the Circle Be Unbroken: A Tribute to the Carter Family,” Friday, April 25, 2014 at 8 p.m. in the perfect acoustics of the Sheldon Concert Hall. This multimedia concert event takes the audience down the paths of two driving forces in American music – The Nitty Gritty Dirt Band (NGDB) and the music of The Carter Family. NGDB co-founder John McEuen and Grammy-Award winning music producer John Carter Cash join together with special guests for an unforgettable experience that celebrates the music of the landmark *Will the Circle Be Unbroken* album, which featured The Carter Family’s historic sessions with Earl Scruggs, Vassar Clements, Roy Acuff, Doc Watson, Bashful Brother Oswald, Merle Travis, Jimmy Martin and the Nitty Gritty Dirt Band.

Host **John McEuen** tells the story of how a group of young 1960’s west-coast hippies came to join the icons of country music in the studio for a magical week in August of 1971 to create the multi-platinum “*Circle*” album. Songs from the band’s influential past accompany a projection of rare and unseen photos, including in-studio film shots from early NGDB history.

John Carter Cash (son of Johnny Cash and June Carter), relates the Carter Family story with music and narrative, historic photographs from his personal family archives, and music by the ensemble from the early Carter Family days. Cash shares what it was like growing up with “Grandma Maybelle Carter,” and how his father and A.P. Carter influenced his life’s path.

From bluegrass, country and gospel to Americana roots music, songs from each of the albums’ artists will be performed by the ensemble, ending with all joining in for the much loved “Will the Circle Be Unbroken.”

Tickets are \$40 orchestra/\$35 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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