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THE 23 STRING BAND HEADLINES SECOND NIGHT OF 3RD ANNUAL ST. LOUIS FOLK & ROOTS FESTIVAL

ST. LOUIS – The Sheldon and 88.1 KDHX present The 23 String Band with Foghorn Stringband and special guest Riley Baugus, Saturday, September 27 at 8 p.m. in the perfect acoustics of the Sheldon Concert Hall. The groups appear as part of the 3rd Annual St. Louis Folk and Roots Festival, taking place September 25-28, celebrating folk and roots music throughout Grand Center.

Winners of the 2011 RockyGrass band competition, The 23 String Band plays fun, fuel-injected, original Americana that weaves across the genres of modern acoustic music. Creating a new sound with an eye on the traditional music that influences them, their music has been described as a “bluegrass attack fueled by high-octane rock-n-roll energy and triple-distilled old-timey roots.” Chris Shouse, Curtis Wilson, Dave Howard, Scott Moore and T. Martin Stam make up this musical powerhouse.

With seven albums, thousands of shows and over a decade of touring under their belts, Foghorn Stringband continues to hone their sound, proving that American roots music is a never-ending well of inspiration. From their origin in Portland, Oregon’s underground roots music scene, the core duo of Foghorn Stringband, Caleb Klauder and Stephen ‘Sammy’ Lind, have spread the old-time stringband gospel throughout the world, while also bringing in new influences and inspirations from their many travels and fellow bandmates. A favorite at festivals and workshops around the country, banjoist Riley Baugus opens the concert, representing the best of old time American banjo and song. His powerful singing voice and his expert musicianship place him squarely in the next generation of the American roots tradition.

Folk and Roots Festival Package: $60 includes a Thursday night square dance, Friday and Saturday night concerts at The Sheldon, Saturday daytime workshops, Friday & Saturday night after party concerts at The Stage at KDHX, and Sunday workshops and Old-Time Fiddle Contest. Single tickets are $35 orchestra/$30 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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