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### **BUCKY PIZZARELLI RETURNS TO THE SHELDON WITH “SWING XING!”**

ST. LOUIS – The Sheldon presents “Swing Xing! Three Generations of Swing Guitar” featuring Bucky Pizzarelli, Frank Vignola and Vinny Raniolo, Saturday, November 15 at 8 p.m. in the perfect acoustics of the Sheldon Concert Hall. Three generations of guitarists come together for a swinging night of jazz! The legendary Bucky Pizzarelli leads the way with his seven-string guitar, along with Frank Vignola, one of today’s most in-demand session players, and young phenom Vinny Raniolo, who exploded onto the jazz scene in recent years.

For more than six decades, legendary guitarist **Bucky Pizzarelli** has enjoyed a stellar career. Called “The complete jazz musician,” he has been a fixture in jazz and the studios since the early ‘50s. The list of big bands and vocalists with whom Pizzarelli has performed and recorded reads like a veritable “Who’s Who of Jazz.” A dedicated preservationist of the “old” guitar music and the early styles of playing, Bucky Pizzarelli has also developed a unique personal style that sets him apart from his contemporaries.

**Frank Vignola** is one of the top guitarists performing today. His virtuosity and eclectic taste in music has made him the guitarist of choice for many of the world’s top musicians, including Ringo Starr, Madonna, Donald Fagen, Wynton Marsalis, Tommy Emmanuel, the Boston Pops, the New York Pops, and guitar legend Les Paul, who named Vignola to his “Five Most Admired Guitar List” for the *Wall Street Journal*.

At age 28, **Vinny Raniolo** has already performed at some of the top venues in the world. He has been featured on numerous recordings with Bucky Pizzarelli, Tommy Emmanuel, David Grisman, Tony Trishka, Matt Flinger and Ken Peplowski, and is an experienced educator, teaching classes at Bowling Green University, Kent State University, Asiago Music Conservatory, and others.

Tickets are \$40 orchestra/\$35 balcony/\$15 student, and are on sale now through MetroTix at 314-534-1111, through The Sheldon’s website at [TheSheldon.org](http://TheSheldon.org), or in person at The Fox Theatre Box Office, 534 N. Grand Blvd.

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