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**SHELDON HAS AWARD WINNING OCTOBER,
INCLUDING EMMY AWARD, NATIONAL WEDDING VENUE RECOGNITION**

ST. LOUIS, MO – The Sheldon Concert Hall and Art Galleries was pleased to be the recipient of multiple national and statewide honors during the month of October.

Sheldon Executive Director Paul Reuter started off the month with a Mid-America Emmy Award win in the category of Arts/Entertainment Program Special for his role in creating “City of Music,” a two-hour PBS special filmed at The Sheldon in October 2014 and produced for broadcast by The Nine Network. The program traces the impact of St. Louis on American music - ragtime, blues, jazz, R&B, rock and roll, alt-country, hip-hop and classical music, and features St. Louis musicians such as Denise Thimes, Billy Peek, Kim Massie, Peter Martin, Brian Owens and three world premieres by the contemporary ensemble Alarm Will Sound. The award was announced on October 3 at the 39th annual Mid-America Emmy Awards in St. Louis. The “City of Music” was made possible with the support of the Sinquefeld Charitable Foundation.

The accolades continued when The Sheldon was named a “WeddingWire 2015 Editors' Pick” as one of the Top 20 Best Theater and Music-Themed wedding venues in the country. WeddingWire, a leading source in the online wedding marketplace, chose The Sheldon from thousands of reception venues nationwide. The website cited the unique combination of an historic hall and world-class art galleries, plus beautiful views of the city from The Sheldon Ballroom and Louis Spiering Room. Other prestigious national sites chosen were the Musical Instrument Museum in Phoenix, Arizona and The Country Music Hall of Fame in Nashville, Tennessee.

Finally, The Sheldon was chosen for induction into the Missouri Music Hall of Fame in the venues category. Based in St. Joseph, Missouri, The Missouri Music Hall of Fame was formed in 2009 to honor Missouri venues and Missouri-born and Missouri-related personalities in the music industry. Inductees are chosen on the basis of their state-wide, national and international profile and accomplishments. An awards ceremony will be held in St. Joseph, Missouri on November 14. Past inductees include Scott Joplin, Charlie Parker, Sheryl Crow and Burt Bacharach.

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