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**JENNIFER HOLLIDAY TO PERFORM AT SHELDON CONCERT HALL
TO BENEFIT EDUCATION PROGRAMS**

ST. LOUIS – The Friends of The Sheldon present **An Evening with Jennifer Holliday**, Sunday, November 12, 2017 at 8 p.m. to benefit Sheldon Education Programs which serve over 30,000 students each year.

Grammy and Tony Award-winner Jennifer Holliday has been proclaimed a Broadway legend by critics and fans alike. Her show-stopping performance of the torch ballad “And I Am Telling You, I’m Not Going” in the 1981 smash hit, *Dreamgirls*, made Holliday a household name and introduced her big, soulful voice to the world. Since then, she has crafted a multi-faceted career in television, movies and on-stage, including, most recently, an acclaimed run on Broadway as Shug Avery in the Broadway revival of *The Color Purple*, following a stint on the national tour as Sophia.

Her current repertoire showcases new songs, jazz classics, pop standards, show tunes and much more. She has performed live with many of America’s most distinguished symphony and philharmonic orchestras, among them The Boston Pops with Keith Lockhart, The San Diego Symphony with Marvin Hamlisch, The Rochester Philharmonic with Jeffrey Tyzik, the Philadelphia Symphony with Peter Nero, and the Cincinnati Pops with Eric Kuntzel, just to name a few. She considers herself a “bi-partisan songbird,” and has performed at the White House for President Ronald Reagan, President George Bush, President Bill Clinton and President George W. Bush. In 2000, she received an Honorary Doctorate of Music from the Berklee College of Music.

Patron tickets are on sale now at \$150 (\$140 for Sheldon Members), and include a pre-concert reception, complimentary parking, preferred seating and a tax-deduction. Call The Sheldon at 314-533-9900.

Concert-only tickets are \$50 orchestra / \$45 balcony 1 / \$40 balcony 2 and are on sale through MetroTix at 314-534-1111 or at TheSheldon.org.

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