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OVER THE RHINE BRINGS CHRISTMAS TOUR 2019 TO SHELDON STAGE

- Event:** Over the Rhine 2019 Christmas Tour
- When:** Saturday, December 14, 2019 at 8 p.m.
- Where:** Sheldon Concert Hall
- Tickets:** On sale Friday, August 30 at 10 a.m.
\$30 orchestra / \$25 balcony
Call MetroTix at 314-534-1111 or visit TheSheldon.org.

ST. LOUIS – When you listen to Over the Rhine, the supremely talented musical couple comprised of Karin Bergquist and Linford Detweiler, you quickly fall under the spell of Bergquist’s timeless voice “which has the power to stop the world in its tracks” (*Performing Songwriter*). *Paste* magazine writes, “Over the Rhine creates true confessional masterpieces that know neither border nor boundary,” and included Bergquist and Detweiler in their list of 100 Best Living Songwriters. *Rolling Stone* recently wrote, Over the Rhine is a band “with no sign of fatigue, whose moment has finally arrived.” That’s quite a sentiment for a band celebrating 30 years of writing, recording and life on the road. But as Karin Bergquist states, “There is still so much music left to be made.”

One December, not long after Over the Rhine began recording and touring, they were invited to perform some seasonal songs on a public radio station. The songs and interpretations resonated with their fans, and in December of 1996 the group recorded and released their first song cycle of classic Christmas carols and original tunes called *The Darkest Night Of The Year*. The well-received recording kicked off the Christmas Tour tradition for the band, and led to two subsequent Christmas recordings, *Snow Angels* in 2006 and *Blood Oranges In The Snow* in 2014.

The band says of their 2019 tour, “We will be leaning into three-part harmonies and making an intimate but hopefully holy ruckus. It won’t be all Christmas music: we’ll certainly mix in tunes from many of our records along the way. But hopefully it’s still true; that you haven’t heard anything quite like it.”

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