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**MWENSO AND THE SHAKES HEADLINE “HARLEM 100” VARIETY SHOW ON SHELDON RHYTHM & JAZZ SERIES**

ST. LOUIS – The Sheldon presents **Harlem 100 featuring Mwenso & the Shakes with special guests Brianna Thomas, Michela Marino Lerman and Vuyo Sotashe**, Saturday, November 9, 2019 at 8 p.m. in the perfect acoustics of the Sheldon Concert Hall. Created in collaboration with the National Jazz Museum in Harlem and JMG Live, this multimedia show captures the sights and sounds of Harlem when legendary artists such as Fats Waller, Duke Ellington, Langston Hughes and Billie Holiday made Harlem the cultural center of the country. One hundred years after one of the most culturally significant periods in human history. The Harlem Renaissance has proven to be an unrivaled period of brilliance in both intelligent expression and preeminent entertainment.

Hosted by Michael Mwenso, Harlem 100 presents today’s most exciting Harlem musicians and dancers in a modern variety show and pays homage to the presentations made famous in the Apollo Theater, the Cotton Club and other celebrated venues of the Harlem Renaissance. Mwenso leads an electrifying show *The New York Times* calls “intense, prowling, and ebullient.”

**Mwenso and the Shakes** are a unique troupe of global artists who present music that merges the highest form of entertainment and artistry while commanding a formidable timeline of jazz and blues expression through African and African American music.

Single tickets are $40 orchestra/$35 balcony 1/$30 balcony 2/$15 student. Tickets 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. For a VIP concert experience, All-Access tickets are available by calling 314-533-9900, ext. 17. For more information, call The Sheldon at 314-533-9900 or visit [TheSheldon.org](http://TheSheldon.org).

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