



THE SHELDON
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FANTASTIC FOLK SERIES OPENS WITH THE DAVID GRISMAN FOLKJAZZ TRIO

ST. LOUIS – The Sheldon presents the David Grisman FolkJazz Trio, Friday, October 11 at 8 p.m. in the perfect acoustics of the Sheldon Concert Hall. Opening the 2013-2014 Fantastic Folk Series and part of the American Arts Experience-St. Louis, mandolinist/composer David Grisman returns to The Sheldon with his acclaimed FolkJazz Trio, featuring flatpicking guitarist/singer Jim Hurst and son Sam Grisman on bass.

A string music pioneer and innovator, Grisman bring his unique “dawg” music, a blend of many stylistic influences, including swing, bluegrass, Latin, jazz and gypsy to The Sheldon’s stage. For nearly a half a century, Grisman has been a guiding force in the evolving world of acoustic music and has been praised for his mastery of the instrument as well as his varied talents as a composer, bandleader, teacher and producer.

Grisman discovered the mandolin as a teenager growing up in New Jersey, where he met and became a disciple of mandolinist/folklorist Ralph Rinzler. While studying the music of his bluegrass mandolin heroes including Bill Monroe, Grisman began composing original tunes and playing with other urban bluegrass contemporaries like Peter Rowan and Jerry Garcia, with whom he would later form the band Old & in the Way. In 1967, Grisman’s interests spread to jazz, while playing in the folk-rock ensemble Earth Opera, turning him into a lifelong student of jazz musicianship and theory. His love for playing various types of music gave him many opportunities as a session musician to stretch the boundaries of the mandolin. Today his discography includes recordings with Béla Fleck, the Grateful Dead, Emmylou Harris, Chris Isaak, Dolly Parton, Bonnie Raitt, Linda Ronstadt, Earl Scruggs and James Taylor.

Tickets are \$40 orchestra/\$35 balcony, and are on sale now through MetroTix at 314-534-1111, through The Sheldon’s website at TheSheldon.org, or in person at The Fox Theatre Box Office, 534 N. Grand Blvd. For more information, call The Sheldon at 314-533-9900 or visit TheSheldon.org.

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