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**JONATHAN BATISTE AND STAY HUMAN
MAKE THEIR SHELDON DEBUT ON THE JAZZ SERIES**

ST. LOUIS – The Sheldon presents Jonathan Batiste and Stay Human, Saturday, January 18, 2014 at 8 p.m. in the perfect acoustics of the Sheldon Concert Hall. With his unique voice, virtuosic piano chops and dapper sense of style, Jonathan Batiste is unique in his generation, transcending music genres and igniting the New York City jazz scene. With performances at Carnegie Hall, Lincoln Center and on HBO's *Treme* to his credit, Batiste has ignited the New York City music scene.

Raised among the sounds and rhythms of New Orleans, Batiste comes from a renowned lineage of performers. He studied jazz and classical piano at The Juilliard School, is a “Movado Future Legend” award recipient and a Steinway Performing Artist. With his modern take on American music, and clever use of the harmonaboard, Batiste has collaborated with musicians from across the spectrum such as Prince, Lenny Kravitz, Wynton Marsalis, Jimmy Buffett, Harry Connick Jr., Roy Hargrove, Cassandra Wilson, Mark O'Connor and Asher Roth among them.

Batiste is the founder and leader of The Stay Human Band, a modern jazz ensemble noted for their world-class music, high energy and uplifting spirit – which they take everywhere from concert halls to subways. Dedicated to inspiring the next generation of musicians, in his position as co-director and music curator at The National Jazz Museum in Harlem, Batiste has programmed year-long educational workshops for hundreds of students.

Get Jonathan Batiste's new CD *Social Music* for just \$10 when purchased with a full price show ticket. The CD will be mailed separately within 2 to 3 weeks of your ticket order. For more information, call The Sheldon at 314-533-9900.

Tickets are \$40 orchestra/\$35 balcony/\$15 student, 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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