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SHELDON SESSIONS SERIES WELCOMES JOE PUG

Event: Joe Pug with special guest TBD

When: Wednesday, April 27, 2016 at 8 p.m.

Where: Sheldon Concert Hall

Tickets: On sale February 26 at 10 a.m. \$22 reserved seating.

Call MetroTix at 314-534-1111 or visit TheSheldon.org.

ST. LOUIS — Austin, TX singer songwriter Joe Pug's rise has been as improbable as it has been impressive. After dropping out of college and taking on work as a carpenter in Chicago, he got his musical start by providing CDs for his fans to pass along to their friends. This led to a string of sold out shows and a record deal with Nashville indie Lightning Rod Records (Jason Isbell, Billy Joe Shaver). As he toured behind *Messenger* (2010) and *The Great Despiser* (2012) it was with a band that looked as much like a jazz trio as an Americana band.

The following years would have them on the road for over four hundred shows, including stops at Lollapalooza, Bonnaroo and The Newport Folk Festival. His latest, critically acclaimed album, *Windfall*, released in 2015, was praised by *Rolling Stone* with,"...it showcases the singer's unique and achingly honest point of view that spins lyrics into folk poetry."

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