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**ST. LOUIS SYMPHONY TRUMPETER JEFFREY STRONG TO REPLACE KARIN BLIZNIK
ON SHELDON CLASSICS CONCERT, MARCH 15**

ST. LOUIS – St. Louis Symphony trumpeter Karin Bliznik will be unable to perform on the March 15, 2017 Sheldon Classics Concert with Bjorn Ranheim. She will be replaced by Symphony trumpeter Jeffrey Strong.

Jeffrey Strong joined the St. Louis Symphony as second trumpet in September 2015. Prior to St. Louis, Strong served as a member of the trumpet/cornet section in the “President’s Own” United States Marine Band, where he was often a featured soloist. Strong has also performed as a soloist with the San Francisco Chamber Orchestra, the National Repertory Orchestra, the Grace Church 2015 Bach Festival, the Fresno City Brass Bash and the Henry Mancini Institute Orchestra and Big Band. Strong has performed with the National Symphony Orchestra, the Baltimore Symphony Orchestra, the Chicago Symphony Orchestra and as a regular member for two years with the Civic Orchestra of Chicago.

Program highlights will include Bach’s Suite No. 5 in C minor, BWV 1011 for Solo Cello.

Ticket buyers wishing to attend the performance may retain their current tickets and simply present them at the door on March 15.

Single ticket buyers may request a refund for the face value of their tickets at the original point of purchase (MetroTix at 314-534-1111 or in-person at the Fox Theatre Box Office at 531 N. Grand Blvd.).

Tickets are \$30 orchestra/\$25 balcony/\$15 student, and are available through MetroTix at 314-534-1111 or at TheSheldon.org.

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