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WILL DEWITT PARTNERS WITH THE SHELDON TO PRESENT THE “ST. LOUIS SOUND” MUSIC COMPETITION

ST. LOUIS –Will DeWitt and The Sheldon announce the first ever ST. LOUIS SOUND music competition to benefit MusiCares. Musicians and bands of up to six members are invited to enter the ST. LOUIS SOUND competition, a contest in the style of “America’s Got Talent” or “The Voice,” open to amateur and professional musicians alike in the genres of rock, pop, country, hip hop and R&B. Judged by a panel of music industry professionals, the winner will receive a trip to Nashville to meet with music executives and record a demo in a professional recording studio, plus a chance to perform on the Sheldon Concert Hall stage.

Musicians, bands and songwriters are invited to submit one original song, no more than seven minutes in length and 10 MB or less, by **May 21, 2018 at 11:59 p.m.** at TheSheldon.org/STLSound. The entry fee is \$30.

Finalists will be announced on or around May 31, and will then be invited to perform at the Sheldon Concert Hall on Thursday, June 7 at 7:30 p.m. in front of a live audience and panel of judges. The winner, judged on the quality of the composition and performance, will be announced that night.

Will DeWitt, son of Bill DeWitt, president of the St. Louis Cardinals, and Ira DeWitt, founder and CEO of Notifi Records, is a sophomore student at John Burroughs High School in St. Louis, and an amateur music producer. DeWitt says, “I’m really excited about giving musicians an opportunity to showcase their talent and win an opportunity to make it big in the music industry. Most importantly, it will be a fun event that will benefit a great cause that I care about.”

Visit TheSheldon.org/StlSound for full details, eligibility, official rules and instructions on how to enter.

Tickets for the live finals event on June 7 at 7:30 p.m. at the Sheldon Concert Hall are \$20 general admission and are available now through MetroTix at 314-534-1111 or at TheSheldon.org.

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