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Webster Arts Hosts Diverse Music Series in October

Autumn Music Series Features Four Live Performances from Local Artists

St. Louis - September 27, 2016- Webster Arts' successful <u>Autumn Music Series</u> returns this October with a diverse line-up of concerts that has a little something for everyone! The family-friendly performances feature four extraordinary groups from the St. Louis area.

Performances are held every Thursday in October, from 7-8:30p.m.at Wehrli Chapel at Eden Theological Seminary (475 E Lockwood Ave, St. Louis, MO 63119). All performances are free and open to the public. Seating is first come, first served.

October 6: Raven Wolf

Kicking off the series is a rejuvenating evening with Raven Wolf, a healing sound artist. A world-class instrumentalist, Wolf uses the saxophone, orchestral and Native American flutes, djembe, Tibetan singing bowls, and the soulful sound of his voice to spontaneously create new compositions at each performance. This healing experience will tune your heart and lift your spirit.

October 13: Soulard Blues Band

Founded in 1978 by bassist and native St. Louisan Art Dwyer, The Soulard Blues Band is a local favorite, often winning "Best Blues Band" in a popular local poll. Dwyer, along with guitarist Tom Maloney, guitarist Bob "Bumblebee" Kamoske, trombonist John "Wolfman" Wolf and drummer Leroy Wilson play both original and standard blues allowing each player to shine.

Dwyer has performed with and is influenced by the great Henry Townsend, J.B. Hutto, Little Johnny Taylor. Fernest Arceneaux and the Thunders, Chuck Berry, and the Zydecko Farmers, just to name a few.

October 20: Thatched: Traditional Irish Music

Performing traditional Irish music, this enthusiastic foursome brings the sounds of Ireland to life. Members include Ken McKenna (guitar, fiddle, mandolin, bodhran, vocals), Sean O'Rourke (whistle, tenor banjo, guitar, vocals), Susan Nichols (fiddle, vocals, dancer) and Larry Pontious (tenor banjo, fiddle, bouzouki, vocals). Thatched can be found Sundays at the Scottish Arms and every fourth Saturday at Nathalie's.

October 27: The Jitterbugs

The St. Louis Jitterbugs are St. Louis' only lindy hop and vintage dance performance team. They also offer unique classes for dancers of all levels. Jitterbug enthusiasts can join them at Blank Space on Cherokee on the first Wednesday of each month.

About Webster Arts

<u>Webster Arts</u> is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization based in Webster Groves, Missouri. Founded in 2003, Webster Arts bring art to life by providing opportunities for people of all ages to engage in and enjoy the arts through programs, partnerships, and collaborations. <u>www.webster-arts.org</u>