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**WHYY CONTINUES THIRD SEASON OF EMMY AWARD-WINNING ON CANVAS
PERFORMING ARTS SERIES WITH THREE EPISODES NOV. 4 TO 18**

Program to Spotlight Lionel Loueke Trio, The Bacon Brothers and Hoots and Hellmouth

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 26, 2009 — Fresh off a Mid-Atlantic Emmy Award win for Best Arts Program or Special, WHYY's *On Canvas* continues its third season on Wednesday, Nov. 4, on WHYY-TV. *On Canvas*, a weekly performing arts series that explores Greater Philadelphia's rich, diverse arts and culture scene, will feature **Lionel Loueke Trio** on Nov. 4, **The Bacon Brothers** on Nov. 11 and Philadelphia's own **Hoots and Hellmouth** on Nov. 18.

On Canvas episodes premiere on WHYY-TV at 8 p.m. Wednesdays and are rebroadcast at 2 p.m. Sundays. Episodes are also broadcast on WHYY-TV's Y Arts channel (Channel 12.2, Comcast 257 and Verizon FiOS 474) at 9 p.m. Wednesdays, 10 p.m. Thursdays, 11 p.m. Fridays, 2 p.m. Sundays, 7 p.m. Mondays and 8 p.m. Tuesdays following the premiere broadcast on WHYY-TV. *On Canvas* episodes may also be streamed at WHYY.org/oncanvas.

Lionel Loueke Trio at The Painted Bride Art Center, 8 p.m. Nov. 4

Lionel Loueke's first gig was an accident: He was at a club while the performing band was taking a break. Since then, he's gone on to play with some of jazz's greatest musicians, including Terence Blanchard, Herbie Hancock and Cassandra Wilson. On his latest album, *Karibu*, Loueke lays new ground as he explores the possibilities of his craft. Combining the improvisational natures of jazz and African music styles, Lionel Loueke plays with a trio at The Painted Bride Art Center in the Old City section of Philadelphia.

The Bacon Brothers at WXPN's XPoNential Music Festival, 8 p.m. Nov. 11

Managing to avoid the pitfalls of the actor-turned-musician, actor Kevin Bacon and his brother, Michael, have proven themselves as a legitimate act. Born and raised in Center City, Philadelphia, the Bacons began making music together 14 years ago and have released five studio records, including their most recent album, *New Year's Day*. The Bacon Brothers entertain the audience at the 2009 XPoNential Music Festival's River Stage in Camden, N.J.

**Hoots and Hellmouth at World Café Live, 8 p.m. Nov. 18**

Philadelphia-based Hoots and Hellmouth creates music that sounds like their name. It's raucous, spiritual, get-ready-for-a-showdown type of music. The band's second album, *The Holy Open Secret*, was released on Drexel University's MAD Dragon Records and, in the band's words, is "new music for old souls." The record maintains eclectic roots and blurs genre boundaries. Incorporating aspects of bluegrass, gospel, ragtime jazz and booming organs, Hoots and Hellmouth defines eccentricity. The group performs for an energetic crowd at World Café Live in Philadelphia's University City.

Trudi Brown serves as executive producer for *On Canvas*; Hugh Haynie, producer; and Heidi Saman, associate producer. Pete Scaffidi serves as editor and technical director. Part of WHYY's wide variety of community programming, *On Canvas* serves as a window to artists' stories, combining interviews with performances captured live at venues throughout Greater Philadelphia.

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