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## Buddy Guy, Blues Guitar Legend, Plays the State Theatre, Saturday, Oct. 16, 2010

*Tickets Go On Sale Friday, April 23 at 10 a.m.*

**MINNEAPOLIS**—**Buddy Guy**, the legendary Chicago blues guitarist and showman known for his riveting, virtuoso playing and fervent vocals, performs at **Hennepin Theatre Trust's State Theatre** at 8 p.m. on **Saturday, Oct. 16, 2010**. **Quinn Sullivan**, the 11-year-old blues guitar prodigy mentored by Guy, opens the show and joins the five-time Grammy Award-winner and Rock and Roll Hall of Fame inductee later in the evening. Guy's October concert follows a sold-out February engagement with B.B. King at the Orpheum. **Tickets go on sale Friday, April 23, 2010 at 10 a.m.** To purchase and for more information visit [www.HennepinTheatreTrust.org](http://www.HennepinTheatreTrust.org) or call 1.800.982.2787.

**George "Buddy" Guy** set out to pursue his music career in 1957, leaving his rural Louisiana roots for Chicago. He fashioned his unique sound and charismatic stage presence under the influences of Muddy Waters, Otis Rush, Howlin' Wolf and Junior Wells. As a pioneer of the famous Chicago blues sound, Guy has made an enduring mark on blues and rock music, influencing such icons as Jimi Hendrix, Eric Clapton and Stevie Ray Vaughan. Guy's hits include "Damn Right," "I've Got The Blues," "Feels Like Rain" and "Slippin' In." His most recent studio album, "Skin Deep" (2008), features all original material. In addition to his Grammys, he has received 23 W.C. Handy Blues Awards (the most any artist has received), the Billboard Magazine Century Award for distinguished artistic achievement and the Presidential National Medal of Arts. He is also ranked thirtieth in Rolling Stone's list of "100 Greatest Guitarists of All Time."

**Quinn Sullivan** first caught Guy's attention in 2007 by playing for him when he asked for an autograph before a show. Guy was so impressed that he pulled Sullivan on stage to jam with him. He has since aided his blossoming career by landing Sullivan record deals and featuring him on a "Skin Deep" track fittingly titled "Who's Gonna Fill Those Shoes." Sullivan has also performed on the "Oprah Winfrey Show," NBC's "Today Show" and the Lollapalooza and Austin City Limits festivals, among others.

## TICKET INFORMATION

**Buddy Guy and Quinn Sullivan** perform at 8 p.m. on **Saturday, Oct. 16, 2010** at **Hennepin Theatre Trust's State Theatre** (805 Hennepin Avenue, Minneapolis, 55402). Tickets go on sale **Friday, April 23, 2010 at 10 a.m.** and range from **\$42 to \$52 depending on seating preference**. All prices include applicable facility fees. Additional service charges may apply. Tickets may be purchased in person at the State Theatre Box Office (805 Hennepin Avenue, Minneapolis, 55402), online at [HennepinTheatreTrust.org](http://HennepinTheatreTrust.org), by calling 1.800.982.2787 or visiting a Ticketmaster Center.

**HENNEPIN THEATRE TRUST**, owner of the historic State, Orpheum and Pantages Theatres, is a non-profit organization devoted to enriching the vibrant cultural atmosphere of the Twin Cities. The Trust's programs include Broadway touring productions, the *SpotLight Musical Theatre Program* for high schools, *Critical View* student reviewer program, Teen Ushers, the Access Program and Kids' Night. For more information, visit [HennepinTheatreTrust.org](http://HennepinTheatreTrust.org).

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