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Sound Opinions at the Movies Gets Soulful with Screening of John Landis' The Blue Brothers Tuesday, November 27

CHICAGO (October 15, 2012) – The popular *Sound Opinions at the Movies* series will screen *The Blues Brothers*, the 1980's musical-comedy, action-fantasy – and the first "Saturday Night Live" (SNL) skit-to-screen adventure – featuring Jake and Elwood (John Belushi & Dan Aykroyd) at the Music Box Theatre, 3733 N. Southport Avenue, <u>Tuesday, November 27 at 7:30 p.m.</u> Chicago Public Media's *Sound Opinions*, the world's only rock 'n' roll talk show, is cohosted by acclaimed pop music critics Greg Kot of the Chicago Tribune and Jim DeRogatis of WBEZ.org and airs on more than 100 radio stations around the country.

A renowned comedic filmmaker and the writer and director of *The Blues Brothers*, John Landis, combines two characters from SNL at the height of their popularity with soul tunes, car chases, special effects, Chicago landmarks, hilarious jokes and endless cameos by legendary musicians such as James Brown, Cab Calloway, Ray Charles, and Aretha Franklin. The main characters, Jake and Elwood, are former front men of a broken down blues band bringing together their old band members for a charity benefit to save the Catholic orphanage where they were raised. Among the tunes memorably performed by Belushi & Aykroyd are "Gimme Some Lovin'," "Everybody Needs Somebody to Love," and of course, "Sweet Home Chicago."

"John Belushi and Dan Aykroyd running amok in Chicago with Ray Charles, Aretha Franklin, James Brown and John Lee Hooker as their musical tour guides, and playing in a band with Duck Dunn and Steve Cropper? This is slap-stick comedy with soul," said Kot

"We're in Chicago, we got a full tank of gas, and the best movie ever made about R&B," added Jim DeRogatis. "The lights are going down at the Music Box Theatre... and we're wearing sunglasses. Hit it!"

Tickets for the *Sound Opinions at the Movies* screening of *The Blue Brothers* at the Music Box are \$9 in advance for WBEZ members and \$10 in advance for the general public online at www.soundopinions.org. Tickets will also be available at the door for \$10 (cash only).

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