

Press Release

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On The Air

part of **WHITE NOISE** for **PERFORMA05**

November 2-5, 2005

White Box

525 West 26th Street, NYC 10011

Closing Reception Saturday, November 5, 7-9 p.m.

free103point9 presents ***On The Air***, a four-day series of transmission performances at White Box as part of **WHITE NOISE** for **PERFORMA05**.

On The Air suggests an architecture, in-motion, for the reception of polyphonic radio signals in transmission-based performance. Four FM transmitters distribute four distinct “channels” of sound to portable radios suspended from clusters of helium-filled balloons throughout the gallery space. The radios are set in motion by fans causing the signals to at once surround and abandon the listener. For **WHITE NOISE** on the occasion of **PERFORMA05** members of free103point9’s Transmission Artists have conceived of independent projects that inhabit and disrupt this sonic construction.

On The Air begins with a live Radio 4x4 event: an improvisational performance where four artists each perform into an individual transmitters; the audience’s location in tandem with the balloons’ determine the final mix of the collaboration. Audio ephemera from Radio 4x4 is installed throughout the project duration.

Each day will feature interventions from participating artists including **31 Down, Alexis Bhagat, Matt Bua, Damian Catera, The Dust Dive, Joshua Fried, Tianna Kennedy, LoVid, Matt Mikas, Michelle Nagai, Ben Owen, Radio Ruido, and Tom Roe.**

FREE103POINT9 is a nonprofit media arts organization focused on establishing and cultivating the genre Transmission Arts by promoting artists who explore ideas around transmission as a medium for creative expression. These investigations include practices in AM and FM radio, Citizen’s Band, walkie-talkie, generative sound, and other broad and microcasting technologies utilizing the transmission spectrum. free103point9 programs include a performance/exhibition/transmission series, an online radio station, a distribution label, an education initiative, and most recently an artist-in-residency program, and forthcoming study center and archive at free103point9 Wave Farm, located on 30 idyllic acres in upstate New York, 120 miles north of New York City. www.free103point9.org

WHITE NOISE Presented by White Box for **PERFORMA05**

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WHITE NOISE is presented as part of **PERFORMA 05**, the first biennial of new visual art performance in New York City, which will take place from November 3 through November 21, 2005. Over the course of three weeks an under the artistic direction of RoseLee Goldberg, more than 20 venues will present a multidisciplinary program of live visual art performances, film screenings, lectures, and exhibitions. **PERFORMA05** is organized by **PERFORMA**, a non-profit organization committed to new visual art performance from around the world. More information is available at www.performa-arts.org

WHITE BOX’s mission is to show diverse contemporary art in the context of socially relevant issues and to present images and ideas that matter to the larger audiences. White Box, a non-profit organization located in the heart of the Chelsea art district in New York, fosters the creation of new art by emerging talent as well as that of mid career and underrepresented artists shown in an annual, diversity-based international programs organized by outstanding guest curators and scholars from around the world. www.whiteboxny.org

Performance Schedule

Wednesday November 2, 2005

11:15	am	-	12	pm	Radio 4x4: Tianna Kennedy, Matt Mikas, Ben Owen, Tom Roe
12:30	pm	-	1	pm	Michelle Nagai
3:30	pm	-	4:15	pm	31 Down
5	pm	-	5:45	pm	Tianna Kennedy

Thursday November 3, 2005

12:30	pm	-	1	pm	Michelle Nagai
1:30	pm	-	2:15	pm	Tom Roe
3	pm	-	3:45	pm	Alexis Bhagat
5	pm	-	5:45	pm	Ben Owen

Friday November 4, 2005

12:30	pm	-	1	pm	Michelle Nagai
2:30	pm	-	3:15	pm	Matt Mikas
5:15	pm	-	6	pm	Damian Catera
6:45	pm	-	7:30	pm	LoVid

Saturday November 5, 2005

12:30	pm	-	1	pm	Michelle Nagai
2	pm	-	2:45	pm	Joshua Fried
3:30	pm	-	4:15	pm	Radio Ruido
5	pm	-	5:45	pm	Matt Bua
7	pm	-	7:45	pm	The Dust Dive

Performance Descriptions

Please visit <http://www.free103point9.org/event.php?eventID=206> for up-to-date information.

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