

Music for Javanese gamelan and homemade instruments Presented by Warner Library

Tarrytown, NY

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Woman's Song

From the multimedia piece "Woman's Song: The Story of Roro Mendut" (2003) Text by Sitor Situmorang. Vocalist: Lisa Karrer

Blu Box

Jody Kruskal and John Morton

Lisa Karrer

Premier of a collaborative piece combining Morton's computer-controlled music box mechanisms with the sounds of Kruskal's Anglo Concertina, violin, recorder and gamelan.

Tetabeuhan Sungut (Onomatopoeia)

Slamet Sjukur

Javanese composer Sjukur uses a vocal technique combining the sounds of the drums, gongs, and chanting to create a spoken gamelan

Harps, Drums, Cats: Healing Songs

Barbara Benary

Three vocal duos based on short "science-lite" texts borrowed from the magazine Woman's World, about the healing powers of natural and musical sounds. Vocalists Danielle Woerner (soprano) and Lisa Karrer (mezzo).

Abweja

Skip LaPlante

The name, like the music, is a composite of world music sources: **Abwe** for Zimbabwe, whose marimba instruments are here represented by homemade cardboard tubes, and **Ja** for Java, home of gamelan instruments. Premier

Ibn Al Balad

Mohamed Abdel Wahab arr. David Demnitz

A gamelan setting of a piece by a popular Egyptian composer, (1907-1991)

THE GAMELAN

Barbara Benary, David Demnitz, Daniel Goode, Lisa Karrer, Jody Kruskal, Skip LaPlante, Laura Liben, Denman Maroney, John Morton, David Simons Vocalists: Lisa Karrer and Danielle Woerner

GAMELAN SON OF LION is a new music repertory ensemble and composers' collective based in downtown New York City, specializing in contemporary pieces written for the instruments of the Javanese gamelan percussion orchestra. Our instruments are built in Indonesian village style using steel keys, cans, hubcaps, etc. along with traditional drums and gongs, and are tuned in the traditional slendro and pelog scales. Gamelan Son of Lion has been performing and presenting new music in the greater New York area since 1976

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