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BASILICA HUDSON

Basilica Hudson announces artist lineup for online livestream event DRONE AT HOME



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Basilica Hudson and WGXC'S 90.7-FM Present:
DRONE AT HOME: EXPERIMENTS IN SOUND & MUSIC
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Hudson, NY - Multidisciplinary arts center Basilica Hudson has announced the selected sound artists and collectives participating in this year's **DRONE AT HOME**, a free online configuration of the nonprofit's signature event 24-HOUR DRONE: EXPERIMENTS IN SOUND AND MUSIC. With highlights including Canadian sound designer **Chloe Alexandra Thompson** and Dutch partner **Le Guess Who?**'s presentation of kosmische drone artist **Prana Crafter** and visual artist **Richard Bolhuis**, 2021's DRONE AT HOME will span genres and continents in its celebration of one of the most ancient traditions in music.

For the past 7 years, **24-HOUR DRONE** presented with **Le Guess Who?** has kicked Basilica Hudson's season into bloom as a sonic wake-up for the building after its winter hibernation. With all large indoor gatherings still postponed due to COVID-19, the endurance-listening experience will take place online in collaboration with **Wave Farm's WGXC 90.7-FM Radio for Open Ears** as an audio/visual livestream.

An all-encompassing immersive event, 24-HOUR DRONE, a Basilica signature event which captures the ethos of the organization's commitment innovate arts and culture, features musicians and sound artists experimenting with sustained tones, creating a full twenty-four hours of unbroken sound, and invites attendees to escape the tight hands of time in a long-form, endurance homage to sound. 2021 marks the seventh iteration of 24-HOUR DRONE, and also celebrates Basilica's (2020) and WGXC's (2021) ten-year anniversary seasons.

Both organizations, Basilica and Wave Farm, have each invited five sound artists to contribute a 60-minute performance. Assembled, this newly commissioned 10-hour drone program will be the featured content for DRONE AT HOME 2021. Highlights from past 24-HOUR DRONE event archives will flesh out the rest of the 24-hour program, which can be experienced in several formats: Wave Farm's Standing Wave Radio, WGXC 90.7-FM and a new TV-like audio/visual livestream on Twitch. All streams begin at 12 p.m. EST.

Joining Chloe Alexandra Thompson and Le Guess Who?'s Prana Crafter and Richard Bolhuis in this year's lineup is New York based multidisciplinary artist **LaMont Hamilton**, who will present a piece inspired by sonic events such earthquakes and Chinook winds of Alaska. Purivian abstract turntablist **Maria Chávez** will also perform, as well as artist collective **Drone Not Drones**, which started as a fundraiser for Doctors Without Borders in protest of the US government's drone program.

New to DRONE AT HOME is Hudson Valley based **Inter(air)**, a revolving group of experimental artists presenting web shows, who will debut a new collaborative film. Inter(air)'s co-founder Jon McCarthy will also produce the audio/visual livestream component of DRONE AT HOME.

International 24-HOUR DRONE partner **LUMEN PROJECT** will also program an hour of the event, featuring artists Fadi Tabbal, Julia Sabra, Mathias Landæus, Yasmine El Baramawy, Vincent Bahar and Nathan Larson with recordings from Beirut, Lebanon and Malmö, Sweden. DRONE AT HOME expands further still, with **Canada Resonance Agency** and **NRRF B(b) Radio** each contributing experimental pieces based in abstract improvisation.

Local artists **Brian Dewan** and **Ross Goldstein** will also perform a collaborative landscape of chords and harmonics derived from the mellotron, melody gin and electric guitar.

DRONE AT HOME allows listeners to share experiences across oceans and airwaves, allowing the spirit of its preceding in-person event to carry on in this new era of digital connection.

More information on Basilica Hudson's 2021 season can be found on its [website](#).

ARTISTS

[Canada Resonance Agency](#) (featuring Cares, Beard Closet, Indweller (Colin Fisher and Ilyse Krivel), David Jones, Steff Juniper / Quivering, Mandelbrut, Matt Nish-Lapidus / New Tendencies, Red Panel, Xuan Ye) // [Maria Chávez](#) // [Brian Dewan](#) + [Ross Goldstein](#) // [Drone Not Drones](#) (featuring Luke Heiken, IOSIS, Neon Menhirs, John Marks, Crystal Myslajek, Meredith Gill, and Iceblink) // [LaMont Hamilton](#) // Inter(air) (featuring Sam Johnson, Nick Levine, Justin Pietro, Sarah Francis Rose, Matt Luczak, Mitch Van Dusen, Tom Christie, and more to be announced) // [Le Guess Who?](#) presents Prana Crafter & Richard Bolhuis // [LUMEN PROJECT](#)

(featuring Fadi Tabbal, Julia Sabra, Mathias Landæus, Yasmine El Baramawy, Vincent Bahar, and Nathan Larson) // [NRRF B\(b\) Radio](#) (featuring Jonny Farrow, Anna Friz, Stephen Germana, Jeff Kolar, and Peter Speer) // [Chloe Alexandra Thompson](#)

ABOUT BASILICA HUDSON

Founded in 2010 by Melissa Auf der Maur and Tony Stone, Basilica Hudson is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit arts center located in Hudson N.Y. that aims to foster a more sustainable community, ecology and economy through advocacy and innovative multidisciplinary programming.

Housed in a reclaimed solar-powered 1880s industrial factory on the riverfront in Hudson, NY and walking distance to a major Amtrak station, Basilica Hudson supports the creation, production and presentation of independent arts and culture, and strives to forge experiences that aspire to the scale, grit and beauty of its surroundings. Basilica welcomes over 40,000 visitors each season to genre-pushing music festivals, large scale market place events, a regular film screenings series and artist in residence program, eclectic performances, public art installations and other community gatherings. The majority of its programs are free or sliding scale, and invite visitors to discover the Hudson Valley's rich legacy of cultural and environmental movements. www.basilicahudson.org

ABOUT WAVE FARM & WGXC 90.7-FM

Wave Farm is a non-profit arts organization driven by experimentation with broadcast media and the airwaves. A pioneer of the Transmission Arts genre, Wave Farm programs provide access to transmission technologies and support artists and organizations that engage with media as an art form. Wave Farm Radio encompasses many radio streams available at wavefarm.org/listen and the Wave Farm Radio App, including WGXC 90.7-FM: Radio for Open Ears, a full-power, non-commercial, listener-supported station in New York's Upper Hudson Valley operating out of studios in Hudson and the Wave Farm Study Center in Acra. <https://wavefarm.org/>

ABOUT LE GUESS WHO?

Le Guess Who? is a city-wide celebration of global sounds and musical boundary-crossing. The 14th edition of the festival takes place 11-14 November 2021, in the city of Utrecht, The Netherlands. <https://www.leguesswho.nl/>