

For Immediate Release

***FUSE: The Noise of Silence***

**8pm–12am, Friday, April 24, 2015**  
**Vancouver Art Gallery (750 Hornby St.)**

Admission: \$20 plus tax

Free to the Vancouver Art Gallery members

Tickets: [http://vanartgallery.bc.ca/events\\_and\\_programs/fuse.html](http://vanartgallery.bc.ca/events_and_programs/fuse.html)

April 15, 2015, Vancouver, BC – Vancouver’s best art party returns on Friday, April 24, 2015 with a new ensemble of inspiring art, cutting-edge performance and experimental music at the Vancouver Art Gallery. Guest curated by **David Pay**, one of today’s leading classical and contemporary music programmers and Artistic Director of Music on Main in Vancouver, *FUSE: The Noise of Silence* is inspired by notions of listening, infusing the night with the ever eclectic and dynamic mix of performances that gives *FUSE* its name.

***FUSE: The Noise of Silence*** features an extraordinary roster of artists and performers, including the following:

**The Dream Bird** is a series of informal encounters throughout the evening with experimental theatre performer **Conor Wylie**, who is a member of new performance collectives **O, o, o, o.** and **Wake of Vultures.**

Vancouver-based artist **Michael Red** (Souns) and pianist **Rachel Iwaasa** perform a live remix and reinterpretation of Arvo Pärt's *Für Alina*, a beautiful and minimalist work that set the world on its ear with a new musical simplicity. They also present a version of *Cosmophony*, piano pieces that explore the cosmos while performer **Conor Wylie** tells the story of transcendence.

Created for *FUSE*, **Chance to Dance** provides three dance lessons with **Claire French** (Restless Productions), **Kara Nolte** (First Dance Vancouver), and **Delphine Leroux**. Each lesson is followed by a group performance by audience participants.

Performed by **Camille Hesketh** (soprano) and **Guzmán Ramos** (theorbo), **Il Passaggio Segreto** features the works of fascinating composers from 17<sup>th</sup> century Italy, illustrating a triad of unrequited love, obsession and resignation with melodies.

**Florene Belmore** plays the role of the unexpected and historically unwelcome guest in her sister **Rebecca Belmore**'s installation *Wild*, enacting a layered redressing of colonial history while finding a comfortable, even luxurious place to rest in a hostile world.

Immerse yourself in an ambient, projected environment as **michael red** and **Jonny Ostrem** collaborate to fill the **Listening Lounge** with their souns + Endtask project of sound and light. Slow down, enjoy the view of the city and recharge.

Have a private meeting with leading composers **Jocelyn Morlock** and **James Maxwell** and receive an instant composition written just for you.

In addition to performances, *FUSE*-goers can also see the following exhibitions:  
*Material Future: The Architecture of Herzog & de Meuron and the Vancouver Art Gallery*  
*Cézanne and the Modern: Masterpieces of European Art from the Pearlman Collection*  
*Clair de Lune: 19<sup>th</sup> and Early 20<sup>th</sup> Century French Paintings*  
*Andrew Dadson: Over the Sun*  
*The Poetics of Space*  
*Beyond the Trees: Wallpapers in Dialogue with Emily Carr*

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About *FUSE*: Since its inception in July 2005, thousands of *FUSE*-goers have converged at the Vancouver Art Gallery for this unique adult event. Live performances and music in the Gallery spaces, DJs, eclectic Gallery tours, contemporary dance and unexpected surprises have made *FUSE* Vancouver's favourite art party—a place to see and be seen. *FUSE: The Noise of Silence* is guest-curated by David Pay, produced by MediaLab, and presented by the Vancouver Art Gallery.

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