

For Immediate Release

FUSE: PRIVATE LIVES/PUBLIC DREAMS

8pm–12am, Friday, July 15, 2016
Vancouver Art Gallery (750 Hornby St.)

Admission: \$24. Tickets at the door
Free to the Vancouver Art Gallery Members



July 7, 2016, Vancouver, BC – Vancouver Art Gallery’s massive late-night art party returns Friday, July 11 to transform the Gallery again into a space for live happenings and unexpected encounters. *FUSE: PRIVATE LIVES/PUBLIC DREAMS* explores the relationship between the personal, the political, the fantastic and the mythical with a dynamic lineup that includes dance, projections, multimedia storytelling and interactive mural-painting by local and international artists. This edition of *FUSE* is guest-curated by Sirish Rao, produced by Media Lab, and presented in partnership with the Indian Summer Festival.

FUSE-goers will take in an array of captivating performances, including the following:

- Unique fusion dance performances that blends belly dance, jazz, contemporary and pop rock by Luciterra Dance Company
- *The Blue God and the Serpents* – a multimedia storytelling performance by Sharada K. Eswar and Rup Sidhu that layers film, live performance, music, shadow puppetry and projection art
- Music and dance lounge that takes you on a sonic voyage with music by Portland’s leading world music DJs Anjali and The Incredible Kid
- A festival of sound by Surya Brass Band, the only traditional Indian-style brass band in North America, based in Surrey, BC
- Introducing Asia, an audio-visual performance by Vancouver based DJ/producer Tarun ‘Tspoon’ Nayar, choreographer and performing artist Scheherazaad Cooper, and Taipei-born, Vancouver-based interdisciplinary artist Sammy Chien
- Projections by artist Reena Saini Kallat and Jonny Ostrem
- A special interactive mural by artist Michael Nicoll Yahgulanaas that turns art viewers into art makers

During the evening, all four floors of the Gallery’s current exhibitions will be on view:

Picasso: The Artist and His Muses

Harry Callahan: The Street

NEXT: Stephen Waddell – Dark Matter Atlas

An Agreeable State of Uncertainty

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I Had an Interesting French Artist to See Me This Summer: Emily Carr and Wolfgang Paalen in British Columbia

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Website: http://vanartgallery.bc.ca/events_and_programs/fuse.html

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.

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