

Montreal Festival Keeps It Real

Suoni Per Il Popolo 2009

Announces First Confirmed Artists



Montréal, Quebec, CANADA (March 5th, 2009). Montréal's Suoni Per Il Popolo Festival (Sounds For The People Festival), one of North America's largest and most diverse leftfield music festivals, is proud to announce that its ninth annual edition will run from Wednesday, June 3 to Tuesday, June 30, 2009.

Confirmed highlights include Canadian punk legends Nomeansno, TV on the Radio, returning crowd favorite William Parker as part of the Dave Burrell trio with Nasheet Waits, mysterious guitar guru Six Organs of Admittance, weirdo rock dude Jay Reatard, the German jazz quintet Monk's Casino led by famed pianist Alexander von Schlippenbach, Timeless Pulse featuring Pauline Oliveros and Thomas Buckner, Swans/Angels of Light leader Michael Gira, New York collective Stars Like Fleas, Montréal's brilliant tactician Tim Hecker, and British guitar phenomenon James Blackshaw.

Other notable musicians on this year's roster include Greek electronic soundscaper Novi Sad, avant-garde rock duo Magik Markers, Instant Coffee featuring Lisle Ellis and Martin Schmidt from Matmos, Belgian neo-Blues guitarist Ignatz and Montreal's Harris Newman, banjo-man Paul Metzger, Mika Miko, Constellation Records artists Dead Science and Eric Chenaux, Sir Richard Bishop, Tom Carter from Charalambides, Vancouver big band Fond of Tigers, and the Seattle mayhem duo Climax Golden Twins.

As usual, the festival will feature a stellar roster of free jazz artists including cellist Fred Lonberg-Holm's Valentine Trio, Trio BraamDeJooodeVatcher from Holland, Nicole Mitchell's Truth or Dare featuring Shirazette Tinnin & Renee Baker, Swiss trio Zoom with Lucas Niggli, drummer extraordinaire Chris

Corsano in a fiery solo setting, and locals Quartetski, and the Jean Derome/Nicolas Caloia/Isaiah Ceccarelli trio.

This year's edition will also feature a specially programmed series entitled 'Next Stop Freedom: Legends of the Canadian Underground' that will feature performances by Gerard Van Herk, one half of Montreal heroes Deja Voodoo, and Bloodshot Bill; the pairing of Veda Hille and Christof Migone; noise wavemakers Knurl and Corpuse; and provocateur John Oswald.

Stay tuned for more exciting announcements as more many pending confirmations will be announced soon.