

#### **PROGRAM**

Friday 3rd December 2010 Marama Hall, University Of Otago, Dunedin, New Zealand

The joint Musicological Society of Australia/New Zealand Musicological Society Conference at the University of Otago, Dunedin, New Zealand.

- 2-4 December 2010, hosted by the University's Department of Music.
- **1. Nigel** *Westlake* 'Hitchinbrook Riffs' for Acoustic Guitar And Delay (2003)
- **2. Warren Burt** 'Another Noisy Lullaby' for 4 players and playback (2009)
- **3. Percy Grainger** 'Free Music No. 1' for 4 iphone Theremins (1936)
- 4. Lindsay Vickery' Improbable Games' for Three Players And MAX/MSP (2010)
- **5. Cat Hope** 'Possible Stories of Harry Power' for alto flute, bass clarinet and classical guitar, with Max/MSP score (2010)
- **6. Karlheinz Stockhausen** '*Pole*' for alto flute, bass clarinet and Max MSP (1970)
- **7. Decibel** '*Lingua Ignota*' for three players (2010)

**Decibel** is a new music ensemble based in Perth, Western Australia devoted to performing works that explore the nexus of acoustic and electronic instruments. Pioneering unique electronic score formats and giving electronic music instruments a voice in the acoustic space, Decibel also arrange electronic works for live performance. They have performed around Australia, most recently performing a program of works by Alvin Lucier (b 1831). Decibel are committed to Australian music and emerging Western Australian composers, as well as sharing important international works with Australian audiences. Their first recording will be released in January 2010 on hellosQuare records.

For more information on Decibel, past programs and future activity, go to http://decibel.waapamusic.com

### **Decibel Members (in Dunedin)**

Cat Hope (artistic director, flute, Theremin and electronics)
Lindsay Vickery (reeds, programming, Theremin and electronics)
With special guests
Jonathan Paget (guitar, Theremin)
Stewart Smith (piano, Theremin)
Chris De Groot (Monome, a.m. radio)











### 1. **Nigel Westlake: 'Hitchinbrook Riffs'** for acoustic guitar and delay (2003)

The Hinchinbrook Riffs is a mesmerizing work utilizing digital delay to create an echo approximately a half-second behind the guitarist as he plays. The works origins go back to 1975 when Westlake first visited Hinchinbrook Island which sites in the Great Barrier Reef, Queensland. It's rippling figurations beautifully evoke the waters of the island, endlessly changing but always the same.

**Nigel Westlake** (b1958) was born in Perth, the son of clarinettist Donald Westlake. He studied with his father and later at the Australian Film and Television School and in Amsterdam before returning to his native Australia. He was a member of the Australia Ensemble, but his compositional career really began with his first work 'Omphalo Centric Lecture' (1984) for percussion quartet. His many film credits include the score for 'Babe'; his orchestral music includes his Antarctica Suite for guitar and orchestra (1991); and a variety of chamber music, often featuring guitar, percussion and/or his own instrument, the clarinet.

### 2. Warren Burt 'Another Noisy Lullaby' for 4 players (2009)

Another Noisy Lullaby is a piece for acoustic instruments, whispering and electronic sounds written especially for Decibel. Everything is soft, balanced and hopefully, creating a delicate suspended atmosphere. The piece originates as a series of anagrams that are translated into notes and electronic sounds. Everything comes from the same source, but the differing media mean that the relationships are impossible to perceive. Nonetheless, the quiet texture of diatonic melodies, whispers, and noise bands will hopefully ask the question: if noise music is supposed to have an element of aggression and confrontation to it, how tender, how delicate, how nurturing can we make something, and still have it be noise?

**Warren Burt** (b1949) is a composer, performer, video artist, writer and a few other things. He lives and works in Wollongong, NSW. Re was until recently an ARC Postdoctoral Fellow in Music Research at the Faculty of Creative Arts at the University of Wollongong. More information about him can be found at <a href="https://www.warrenburt.com">www.warrenburt.com</a>.

### **3. Percy Grainger 'Free Music No. 1'** for 4 iphone Theremins (1936)

"Free Music demands a non-human performance. Like most true music, it is an emotional, not a cerebral, product and should pass direct from the imagination of the composer to the ear of the listener by way of delicately controlled musical machines. Too long has music been subject to the limitations of the human hand, and subject to the interfering interpretation of a middle-man: the performer. A composer wants to speak to his public direct. Machines (if properly constructed and properly written for) are capable of niceties of emotional expression impossible to a human performer. That is why I write my Free Music for Theremins - the most perfect tonal instruments I know. In the original scores) each voice is written in its own specially coloured ink, so that the voices are easily distinguishable, one from the other." *Percy Aldridge Grainger, Dec.6,* 1938.

**Percy Grainger** (1882-1961) conceived of what he called 'Free Music' as a boy of 11 or 12, observing the waves on Albert Park Lake in Melbourne, Australia. Eventually he concluded that the future of music lay in freeing up rhythmic procedures and in the subtle variation of pitch, producing glissando like movement. These ideas were to

remain with him throughout his life, and he spent a great deal of his time in later years developing machines to realise his free music. Grainger collaborated with Leon Theremin from 1936-37 before Theremin 'disappeared' back to the Soviet Union. Grainger wrote three pieces for the Theremin.

### **4. Lindsay Vickery 'Improbable Games'** for Three Players And MAX/MSP (2010)

Notions of continuity and disjunction inform these improbable games. The structure of the work consists of several moments of synchrony between the performers that emerge from their own fragmented components. The actual iteration of the formal structure is altered in each performance. To this end the score is generated in two modes: the first in which each measure (and the length of time it is to be played) is chosen at random and the second in which sequences of measures (and a fixed tempo) are displayed for the performer. In this sense it is an example of a "real-time" score, where the music appears before the musicians as they play it.

**Lindsay Vickery** (b1965) is active as a composer and performer across Europe, the USA and Asia. His music includes works for acoustic and electronic instruments in interactive-electronic, improvised or fully notated settings, ranging from solo pieces to opera and has been commissioned by numerous groups for concert, dance and theatre. He is a highly regarded performer on reed instruments and electronics, touring as a soloist and with ensembles in many parts of the world. He was a founding member of Alea, Magnetic Pig, SQUINT and HEDKIKR: presenting new music by Australian and international composers for over 20 years.

## **5.** Cat Hope 'Possible Stories Of Harry Power' for alto flute, bass clarinet, guitar and am radio with Max/MSP score (2010)

Harry Power was a bushranger in Victoria who is supposed to have 'trained' Ned Kelly in his criminal ways. Is that what happened? There are many versions of how Ned Kelly came to be who he was. This piece is about versions. The written word (and note) is taken as fact, repeated throughout history. The oral story (or improvisation) is often expected to change as it passes though those who listen and retell it. When oral stories are written down in some point of history, they are likely to be different than how they started. In this work, there are a number of versions: composer versions, computer versions, player versions and combinations of all three. Written, listened to and 'spoken' versions. Pitch and volume are proportional, and the computer creates a score for the performers from the very performance of the composers score, altered by parameters provided by the composer. The computer generates 2 scores bookended by the composers scores which are two maps I made of Power, Kelly and his mothers movements in relation to each other over their lives.

**Cat Hope** (b1966) is a Western Australian composer, performer and researcher who creates works of sound, video and performance art. She is a vocalist, bassist and flautist. She has worked in pop music (in Gata Negra), noise (solo as well as in Lux Mammoth and Abe Sada), new classical music and free improvisation. Her works are published internationally and she tours often.

Pole is one of Stockhausen's "process works", utilizing his so-called "plus-minus" notation. In these works – 'Plus-Minus' (1963), 'Prozession' (Procession) (1967), 'Kurzwellen' (Short-Waves) (1968), 'Spiral' (1968) and 'Expo' (1969 -70) - the performer is instructed 'how' to modify musical material, but not 'what' that material should be. These instructions take the form of graphical symbols, most prominently including "+" and "-" to indicate the increase or decrease of a particular music parameter: for example a "+" pitch might indicate to play longer, higher, louder, or in more segments. These works are sometimes referred to as "Meta-compositions" in that they "transcend" musical material by controlling its organization but not its content. Stockhausen derived this approach partly from the study of linguistics, in particular the work of Roman Jakobson and Morris Halle – which incidentally also used plus and minus indicators to show gradations along the continuum of phonetic sounds.

**Karlheinz Stockhausen** (1928-2007) was a German composer, widely acknowledged by critics as one of the most important but also controversial composers of the twentieth and early twenty-first centuries. Another critic calls him "one of the great visionaries of 20th-century music" (Hewett 2007). He is known for his ground-breaking work in electronic, aleatoric, serial and spatial music composition.

### **7. Decibel 'Lingua Ignota'** for three players (2010)

*Lingua Ignota* is the name given to the mysterious "secret language" invented by Hildegaard of Bingen (1098-1179), which believers say contains the divine plan for the construction of the world, and that deciphering it would lead to a completely new conception of reality. This improvised performance has rather more modest ambitions, but celebrates the idea of the shared, and yet still secret, language of music.



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### **Programme – Final Version**

THURSDAY 2 DECEMBER

9.00-11.00 MARAMA HALL: Registration (coffee and tea available)

11.00-12.30 MARAMA HALL: Welcome and Keynote 1: John Drummond: Beauty AND Brains

12.30-1.30 ALLEN HALL: Lunch

GAMELAN ROOM: Gamelan concert

1.30-3.00 BREAKOUT SESSION 1

St David 5	St David 6	Scott Shand	Soc Sem 1	Soc Sem 2	Sale Black
GENDER	19 <sup>TH</sup>	SCARLATTI'S	PACIFIC	COMPOSITION	TECH 1

Nelligan: Popular Music, Raunch- Culture and the Female Singer/Songwriter Lexine Solomon: Reflections by a Torres-Strait	Inge Van Rij: Berlioz's spectral visions Mark Pinner: Luscombe Searelle's The	Halton: A cantata contest  Marie-Louise Catsalis: La santa Genuinda	musical reception  Brian Diettrich: Micronesia: Pohnpei  Kirsty Gillespie: Impact of missions in Papua New	Genre in composition  Christopher De Groot: Scoring techniques for silent cinema  Natalie Lewandowski: Contemporary ANZ film composers	Using Acoustic Phenomena to Generate a Performance Practice  Jordan Wett: Online synchronous and asynchronous learning  Michelle Stead: Acquiring a taste
					Acquiring a taste for electro- acoustic music

3.00-3.30 ST DAVID: AFTERNOON TEA

3.30-5.30 BREAKOUT SESSION 2

St David 5	St David 6	Scott Shand	Soc Sem 1	Soc Sem 2	Sale Black
MUSIC AND	OPERA	RENAISSANCE	INTERCULTURAL	MUSIC OF	TECH 2
		AND		NOW	
PROPAGANDA	Rachel	BAROQUE	Kimi Coaldrake:		Cat Hope:
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	Halévy's La	Denis Collins:	Requiem	Watters-	Low Frequency
Margaret	Juive	Analysing		Cowan:	Sound
Kartomi: Music		Renaissance	Ayako Otomo:	Butterley's	
in Japanese-	Sarah	fuga	Constructed western	String	Lindsay
occupied Sumatra	Chesney:		musical tradition in	Quartets	Vickery:
	Lucia's Gothic	Kate Sullivan:	Japan		
Graeme Smith:	Intrusions	17 <sup>th</sup> cent airs de		Omian	Stockhausen's
Multicultural			Ying Liu: Cross-	Whitehead:	mobile scores
Music: ideology	David	[	cultural Music	Jack Speirs	
and activism	Larkin:	Greer Garden:	Making	The Islands	Jonathan
	Strauss's	Jean-Baptiste de			
Anthea Skinner:	earliest operas	Bousset	Edward	Junamia	Marshall: Sonic
The band on			I	Selleck:	Insufficiency
HMAS Sydney II	Michael	Kathleen	Classical music		77.1
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Kerrin Hancock:	1	Musique de	China	and creative	Marshall:
J	Brett Dean's	Chamber from		lWOrk	
Jewish music in	Bliss	late 17 <sup>th</sup> cent.		l	Amplification in
Australia		France		AHUUUH	New Music
		rance		Ritchie: Three	Performance
				symphonies	

5.30-6.30 MARAMA HALL: Reception and journal launch

7.30-9.00 MARAMA HALL: Otago Showcase

FRIDAY 3 DECEMBER

9.00-9.30 MARAMA HALL: Notices (coffee and tea available)

9.30-10.30 MARAMA HALL: Keynote 2: Aaron Corn: Nations of Song

10.30-11.00 ST DAVID: Morning Tea [K/S set up in St David 3]

11.00-12.30 BREAKOUT SESSION 3

St David 3	St David 4	St David 5	St David 6	Soc Sem 2	Sale-Black
TECH 3	BLACKING	MEDIAEVAL	EDUCATION	MODERN	MUSIC IN
	AND MORE	AND		MUSIC	PLACE
Steven Knopoff		RENAISSANCE	Heather		
and Graham	Vahidei Eisaei		Monkhouse:	Andrew	Rosemary
Strahle: On the	and Jane	Fiona	Performance	Wiering:	Richards: John
Rise and	Davidson:	McAlpine:	assessment: what	Xenakis's	Wilson and
Dissolution of	Exploring	Hildegard of	does okay mean?	Rebonds	Scottish Song
'High-Fidelity"	Venda	Bingen			
	Instruments and		Teurikore	Scott McIntyre:	Robin Ryan:
	Performers in	Carol J	Biddle:	Notation in	The Stradileaf

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McIntosh:			Coaldrake and	Dance Bands of
	Warren Drake:	Robert Faulkner	Andrew	Newcastle
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the Academy:	maria virgo	musical expertise	Marimba	
JB's tv series	serena		Spiritual	
'Dancing'				
Jane W				
Davidson:				
Embodied				
Musical				
Communication				
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12.30-1.30 ST DAVID'S: Lunch

1.30-3.30 BREAKOUT SESSION 4

St David 3	St David 4	St David 5	St David 6	Soc Sem 1		Sale-Black
K/S Pack-out	BAROQUE 1	MUSIC AND	ISSUES 1	ASIA	20 <sup>TH</sup> CENT	AUSTRALIA
		PROPAGANDA			20 CEITT	1
	Teressa	2	Tony Mitchell:	Elaine	Hans Kooij:	
	Dillon:		Reading	Dobson:		Ian Burk:
	French	Paul Watt:	Geography	Dramnyen	Wijdeveld	The Sistine
	canons and	Newman and	through Music	music in		Chapel Choir
	drinking	Holbrooke		Bhutan	Abby	in Australia,
	songs 1700-		John A Phillips:		Fraser: Jean	1922
	24	Julie Waters:	Canonic Re-	Keith	Françaix	
		Alan Bush's	Visions	Howard:	raneau	Anthony
	Ken	Byron Symphony		Kyrgyz	Nena	Linden
	Hartdegen:		Gerald Ginther:	Manas	1 '	Jones:
		Joel Crotty:	Musicology of			Aboriginality
	Roll	Stalinist	Russian Music	Catherine		in post-war
		Socialist-Realist		Grant:		Film Music
	Alan	Music	Naomi Von	Vietnamese	Sequenza XI	[
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	Rhetoric and	Panel:	Multidisciplinary			
	recitative	Propaganda of	musicology	Masaya		Imogen and
			0,	Shishikura:		Ann
	Stewart	the musical past				Coward:
	Smith and			Ogasawara		Suzuki in
	Jonathan			Hula		Australia
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	cent					Kim Rockell
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	contrapuntal					Canberra
	pedagogies				1	

3.30-4.00 ST DAVID: AFTERNOON TEA

4.00-5.00 BREAKOUT SESSION 5: INFORMAL MEETINGS

5.00-6.00 MARAMA: Piano Recital: Tamara Smolyar

7.30-9.00 MARAMA: Concert: Decibel

SATURDAY 4 DECEMBER

9.00-10.30 MARAMA: NZMS AGM

10.30-11.00 ST DAVID: Morning Tea

11.00-12.30 BREAKOUT SESSION 6

St David 3	St David 4	St David 5	St David 6	Soc Sem 2	Music Lec
COMMUNITY	JAZZ	FUTURES	ISSUES 2	18 <sup>TH</sup> – 19 <sup>TH</sup>	AUSTRALIA 2
Stephanie Rocke:	Quentin Bryan	Huib Schippers/	Di Chenoweth:	Anne-	Ruth Lee
	Angus: The		Interviewing in	MarieForbes:	Martin: Scots
Mass	Improvisations			иноню вон	music in
L	of		Research		Australia
Danielle Bentley:	Comemporary	JohnDrummond:		Bronwyn Ellis:	
New Music, A Re-			James	Percy Grainger	Robert
Vision of High Art		Futures for Music		on William	Faulkner and
and Popular	Louise	Cultures	3.6 177.1 1		Jane W.

Culture through Festivals	<b>Denson</b> : Revisioning the Jazz Narrative	Musical Flickwerk	Sock Siang Thia:	Davidson: Migrant groups in Perth
	Norman Meehan: Creativity, Tradition, and Jazz Performance		Fanny Hensel and Clara Schumann	Julie Rickwood: Intercultural Community Singing

12.30-1.30 ST DAVID: Lunch

1.30-3.00 BREAKOUT SESSION 7

St David 3	St David 4	St David 5	St David 6	Soc Sem 1	Music Lec
GAY/QUEER	NZ	ANALYSIS	PLAYING	MUSIC AND	AUSTRALIA 3
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Jacob Leonard:	Lancini Jen-	Kato Koichi:	ISSUES	Jennifer Shaw:	Katelyn Barney
La cage aux	Hao Cheng:	Schubert's		Schoenberg and	and Monique
folles	Māori Rōria	Impromptus Op	Ki Tak	Visual Arts	Proud: Singin'
		90	Katherine		Cherbourg Style
Dianne Marie	Marian Poole:		Wong: Czerny's		
Smith: Images	Freddy Page	Simon Perry:	Pedagogical	Soundscape as	Genevieve
of Same-Sex	and ISCM NZ	Skriabin,	Works	historical	Campbell:
Attraction in		Sabaneev,		reconstruction	Ngarakuruwala
Contemporary		Avraamov	Taliesin,		-
Popular Music			Imogen and	Susan Erickson:	
		John	Leon Coward:	Rebecca West	
		Encarnacao:	Nathan	and Music	
		Forms in Rock	Milstein's		
		Music	Paganiniana		

3.00-3.30 ST DAVID: Afternoon Tea

3.30-5.00 MARAMA: MSA AGM

7.00 TECHNIQUE RESTAURANT: CONFERENCE DINNER

SUNDAY 5 DECEMBER

10.00 MUSIC LECTURE ROOM: ICTM Regional Committee Business Meeting and Open Forum

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The theme of the conference is re-Visions. In music research we devenew visions, and re-visions, about and around the music we study. As professional scholars we and create new visions for our discipline. As musicians engaged in composition or performance, we create or re-create 'visions' in sound. The theme re-Vision is designed to provide a framework within which we can share our current work in music research.

This conference explores the many areas we re-vision music research:

Re-visions in understanding the practice of music-making

- o Composition, performance, arrangement; composers, performers, arrangers
- o Formal and informal music-making
- o Music reception studies

Re-Visions in understanding the context of music-making

- o Practical contexts
- o Deeper/wider cultural contexts

Re-visions in understanding the role and purpose of music research

- o New musicologies
- o Music research and performance
- o Music research and education

The conference is open to members of these societies and the general public.

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Time	All Day Event
Audience	Public
<b>Event Category</b>	<u>Humanities</u>
<b>Event Type</b>	
Department	Music
Location	St David's Lecture Theatre and other venues, Dunedin Campus
Cost	See the official conference page for registration costs, including early-bird, single-day and student rates

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