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Founded in 1959, New Music Circle is the longest continuously operating presenter of contemporary and experimental music in the United States. NMC's programs include an annual concert series presenting musicians from St. Louis and around the world; special events, workshops and educational programs featuring visiting musicians; a series of monthly jam sessions providing performance and networking opportunities for area musicians and composers; and New Music Circular, a bi-monthly newsletter. NMC also co-produces New Music St. Louis, a radio show airing each Wednesday evening from 10 p.m. to midnight on KDHX, 88.1 FM.

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Saint Louis Art Museum Auditorium

**The Musicians**

Dave Glauber  guitar
Tory Starbuck  violin, guitar, synthesizer
Randy Titus  percussion
Fred Tompkins  flute

**The Videos**

*Transfinite Loops*  Van McElwee
*Ten Thousand Things*  Shalom Gorewitz
*Urban Episodes*  Steina Vasulka
*Inez*  Orestes Valdes

**Special Thanks**

New Music Circle would like to thank all the video artists represented on tonight’s program, especially Van McElwee, whose curatorial assistance and advice was invaluable; Dan Reich and the Saint Louis Art Museum for their continued support of new music; KDHX-FM for promotional assistance; and all the volunteers who helped make this event possible.

We would also like to extend a very special thanks to Ken and Nancy Kranzberg, whose generous financial assistance has helped make possible our 1996-97 concert series.

**About The Video Artists**

Van McElwee is an internationally known video artist who has been the recipient of many grants and awards. His work, which has been exhibited extensively worldwide, alters space and time as a way of shaping the viewer’s awareness. The observer becomes the subject of the pieces as mind and medium remold the world of appearance. The result is an art form that occupies the boundary between architecture and music. McElwee currently teaches at Webster University in St. Louis.

Shalom Gorewitz is the 1989 recipient of a Guggenheim Fellowship and professor in the School of Contemporary Arts at Rampa College in New Jersey. His work has been shown throughout the world, including galleries and festivals in the United States, Israel, Japan and Europe as well as on the USA cable network program *Night Flight*. Gorewitz brings a painterly, poetic aesthetic to his distinctive image processing techniques, using the electronic medium to create introspective visions and transforming recorded reality through an expressionistic manipulation of images and sounds.

Steina Vasulka is a legend in the world of video art. Born in Iceland, educated in Prague and currently a resident of Santa Fe, New Mexico, she has received numerous awards and has exhibited work internationally both as a solo artist and in collaboration with her husband Woody Vasulka. Her work explores intricate transformations of vision, space and sound through the dynamic confluence of digital technologies, mechanical devices and natural landscapes. To create *Urban Episodes*, Vasulka chose a public plaza in Minneapolis to place one of her *Machine Vision* devices, which includes mirrors and two cameras that pan, tilt and zoom.

Orestes Valdes is an Emmy award winning video artist who has been producing and exhibiting his work for 15 years. He utilizes a wide variety of innovative techniques and often shoots on film, bringing his vision as an accomplished photographer to his work in video. Valdes’ video pieces have been shown widely throughout the United States. He is the producer of the St. Louis cable series *Mind Over Television* and teaches media at Webster University. His latest work *Inez* is receiving its world premiere during tonight’s program.
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