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New Music concert to feature multiple artists

The Grand Valley State University New Music Ensemble, directed by Bill Ryan, will present "Music and..." a unique evening of musical pairings. The concert, on Thursday, November 29, at 8 p.m. will be in Dance Studio 1600 in the Performing Arts Center on the Allendale Campus. It is open to the public with free admission.

The ensemble recently gained national recognition for their New York performances and subsequent CD release of Steve Reich's "Music for Eighteen Musicians," with feature articles in the New York Times and New Yorker magazine. Upcoming stories about the ensemble are planned for Billboard Magazine, and a feature spot on NPR's Weekend Edition.

During this concert they will perform works by composers James Tenney, Frederic Rzewski, David Lang, and Jacob ter Velduis, each presented with a different element-narrator, electronics, live painting, film and dance. The concert finale will be a performance of David Lang's composition, "Sweet Air," combined with the premiere of a new dance commissioned from noted choreographer Cori Terry. Five members of her award-winning company, Wellspring/Cori Terry and Dancers, will perform.

For more information about the concert, or the New Music Ensemble, visit <http://newmusicensemble.org> or contact Bill Ryan at ryanwi@gvsu.edu, or (616) 460-4339.

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