

# REDCAT

ROY AND EDNA DISNEY/CALARTS THEATER

**NEWS RELEASE**

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## REDCAT'S HERB ALPERT CREATIVE MUSIC SERIES PRESENTS A SONOROUS NIGHT OF FREE JAZZ

### Words and Music: Bonnie Barnett Featuring a tribute to Dorothea Grossman

October 3, 2012



"Imagine Cassandra Wilson on acid and you're on the right track."

—*Jazz Times*

LOS ANGELES, CA—REDCAT, CalArts' downtown center for contemporary arts, launches its 2012/13 Herb Alpert Creative Music Series with American singer and composer Bonnie Barnett. **Words and Music: Bonnie Barnett** will be presented at the Roy and Edna Disney/CalArts Theater on Wednesday, October 3, 2012.

Armed with a sonorous, agile contralto, plenty of extended techniques, and a fearless approach to free jazz improvisation, "extreme vocalist" **Bonnie Barnett** trades chops with consummate players Ken Filiano, on bass, and Anders Nilsson, on electric guitar. In addition to Barnett's intense, often otherworldly wordless improvisations, the program also includes idiosyncratic settings of texts by Gertrude Stein, Gary Snyder and Federico García Lorca.

The two-part evening opens with a tribute to the late Los Angeles poet **Dottie Grossman**, who, among other things, was known for signature "call and response" live performances with musicians. The opening set revisits this format, as visiting poet Elaine Terranova reads from Grossman's poetry while trombonist Michael Vlatkovich, guitarist Tom McNalley and drummer Rich West volley back with improvised responses.

[Event page on REDCAT.ORG](#)

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To request press accommodations, interviews, additional information, media or images, please contact Diana Wyenn at 213-237-2873 or [dwyenn@calarts.edu](mailto:dwyenn@calarts.edu).

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## **TICKETS & INFORMATION**

### **Words and Music: Bonnie Barnett**

Performance:

Wednesday, October 3 at 8:30 pm

Tickets:

\$20 general (\$16 students & members)

Seating is general admission and tickets are available for purchase in-person at REDCAT Box Office, by phone at 213-237-2800, or online at [www.redcat.org](http://www.redcat.org).

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## **ABOUT REDCAT | THE ROY AND EDNA DISNEY/CALARTS THEATER**

REDCAT, CalArts' downtown center for contemporary arts, presents a dynamic and international mix of innovative visual, performing and media arts year round. Located inside the iconic Walt Disney Concert Hall complex in downtown Los Angeles, REDCAT houses a modular theater, 3,000-square-foot gallery space and lounge. Through performances, exhibitions, screenings, and literary events, REDCAT introduces diverse audiences, students and artists to the most influential developments in the arts from around the world, and gives artists in this region the creative support they need to achieve national and international stature. REDCAT continues the tradition of the California Institute of the Arts, its parent organization, by encouraging experimentation, discovery and lively civic discourse.

## **GENERAL INFORMATION**

For current program and exhibition information call 213-237-2800 or visit [www.redcat.org](http://www.redcat.org).

Location/Parking: REDCAT is located in downtown Los Angeles inside the Walt Disney Concert Hall complex with a separate entrance at the corner of West 2nd and Hope Streets. Parking is available in the Walt Disney Concert Hall parking structure. \$9 event rate or \$5 for vehicles entering after

8:00pm on weekdays.

Street Address: 631 West 2nd Street, Los Angeles CA 90012

**THE LOUNGE** | Open to the public six days a week, the Lounge is a great place to spend an afternoon or grab a drink pre- and post-performance.

Lounge Hours:

Tuesdays–Fridays from 9am until 8 pm or post-show;

Saturdays from noon until 8 pm or post-show;

Sundays from noon until 6pm or post-show

**THE GALLERY** | REDCAT's Gallery presents 5 major exhibitions each year, and publishes artist books and catalogues. Admission to the Gallery is FREE.

Gallery Hours:

Tuesdays–Sundays from noon until 6 pm or through intermission

**THE THEATER** | Tickets for programs held in the theater are available through the REDCAT Box Office, by phone 213-237-2800 or online at [www.redcat.org](http://www.redcat.org). Group, member, student and CalArts faculty/staff discounts available.

Box Office Hours:

Tuesdays–Saturday from noon until 6 pm or two hour prior to curtain

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