Music/Words

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Featured poets have included:



Vera Pavlova



Mark Levine



Sophie Cabot Black



Jesse Ball



Ellen Bass

MUSIC/WORDS IS AN INTERDISCIPLINARY LIVE PERFORMANCE SERIES founded and directed by pianist Inna Faliks. Music/Words explores connections between poetry and music by presenting collaborations between musicians and acclaimed contemporary poets in the form of a live recital/reading. Since its inception in NYC in 2008, Music/Words has garnered rave reviews and has been seen on the stages of Los Angeles, NYC, Chicago, live, in major and alternative venues, on radio and in collaboration with Poetry Foundation. Music/Words has developed an on-going dialogue between poets and musicians, and has featured some of the country's most important poets, such as Mark Levine, Jesse Ball, and Vera Pavlova. The emphasis of Music/Words is on living poets, with music from all eras—from beloved standard repertoire to world premieres, alternating poems with music.

"Sometimes a concert is so graceful and so unusual that it must be mentioned."

CHICAGO SUN-TIMES

"Virtuoso pianist Inna Faliks' latest installment of her innovative Music/Words series last night was a throwback to the Paris salons of the late 1800s, in the aptly lowlit atmosphere of the back room at the Gershwin Hotel... Lyrically, it was surreal, impactful, and relevant... Faliks was...the star of this show, playing with her signature blend of lithe grace and raw power."

LUCID CULTURE

"...in a wonderful hybrid recital of "Music/Words" Santa Cruz Poet Laureate Ellen Bass and internationally acclaimed pianist Inna Faliks alternated readings of deft, quiet, deep verse with keyboard performances that crackled with high energy always under control. Each woman displayed formidable talents separately, their uniting character that of profundity."

PENINSULA REVIEWS