

Guest Recital

Chris Dingman: Journeys

Monday, April 18, 2022

8:00 p.m.

Lawrence Memorial Chapel

The program will be announced from the stage.

ABOUT THE ARTIST

Chris Dingman is a vibraphonist and composer known for his distinctive approach to the instrument: sonically rich and conceptually expansive, bringing listeners on a journey to a beautiful, transcendent place. He has done significant work with legendary artists Herbie Hancock and Wayne Shorter as well as next generation visionaries such as Ambrose Akinmusire, Jen Shyu, Steve Lehman, and many others, performing around the world including in India, Vietnam, and extensively throughout Europe and North America.

He has released five critically acclaimed albums as a leader. His most recent work includes the recently released solo album *journeys vol. 1*, and the 5-hour extended solo album *Peace*, featuring music originally recorded for his father during his time in hospice care. His trio album *Embrace*, featuring Linda May Han Oh (Pat Metheny) and Tim Keiper (David Byrne), was made possible in part by a project grant from New Music USA. His first album *Waking Dreams* was named Debut Album of the Year in the annual Jazz Critics poll. His second album *The Subliminal and the Sublime*, an hour-length piece commissioned by Chamber Music America and the Doris Duke Foundation, earned a place in numerous year-end lists, including being named jazz album of the year by the Huffington Post.

Dingman has appeared on over forty albums, having recorded with a host of jazz's greatest musicians including Anthony Braxton, Kenny Barron, Tyshawn Sorey, Gretchen Parlato, Walter Smith III, Sara Caswell, Jimmy Greene, Ingrid Jensen, Justin Brown, Donny McCaslin, Johnathan Blake, Anna Webber, Fabian Almazan and many others.

He has been profiled by NPR, the New York Times, DRUM magazine and many other publications. He was nominated for Mallet Instrumentalist of the Year in the 2021 Jazz Journalist Association Awards and has been named numerous times in the Downbeat and Jazz Times Critics polls, winning the Rising Star Vibraphonist award in 2012.

Chris is an active educator, working with students of all ages and levels for the past 20 years. In addition to touring, he teaches at The New School University and Inner Arts Initiative. He is based in Brooklyn, NY.

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