



Musician-Producer Rich Rivkin Plans Three More Live Music-and-Art Events at Vanderbilt Estate

Inaugural Museum-Benefit Event in June Drew More than 900 People

CENTERPORT, NY (July 10, 2012) – Musician and producer Rich Rivkin, who produced the highly successful Long Island Sound & Art Festival – more than 900 attended – on June 24 at the Suffolk County Vanderbilt Museum, has planned three more live music-and-art-events this summer. All events benefit the Vanderbilt Museum’s education programs.

The next event in the Summer Arts Series is the **Live-Art Jazz-Fusion Festival**, on Sunday, July 29, from 1:00 to 6:00, at the Vanderbilt Estate, 180 Little Neck Road, Centerport, NY. Forty artists will be speed-painting to live jazz-fusion bands, on the Great Lawn next to the Vanderbilt Mansion. Admission is \$7.00. Visitors are encouraged to bring a chair. All events are weather permitting.

Lance Reinheimer, executive director of the Vanderbilt, said “The June festival was a big success. Visitors enjoyed spending a beautiful summer afternoon on the Vanderbilt grounds, picnicking under the trees, watching the artists paint and listening to good music – with the spectacular waterfront backdrop of Northport Bay.”



Vanderbilt Museum photos

**The Long Island Sound & Art Festival,
held June 24 at the Vanderbilt Estate**

Artists are welcome to participate in each event. Details are available online at LivePainting.net. For more information on all events, contact Rich Rivkin at 631-261-2941, or rich@jazzfusion.tv. Visit www.LISoundFestival.com.

UPCOMING:

Sunday, August 12 – Live Art Drum & Dance

2:00-6:00

Thirty artists will be speed-painting, inspired by a drum circle of 30 hand-drummers and dancers. All are welcome to join the musicians. Admission: \$7.00. Bring a chair. Visit DjembeMovement.com.



Vanderbilt Museum photo

Painting the Vanderbilt Marine Museum

Sunday, September 9 – Grateful Fest, 12:00-7:00

A full day of live music and live painting, featuring six tribute bands performing the music of Jerry Garcia and the Grateful Dead, along with 40 artists speed-painting to the music. Visit GratefulFest.com. Weather permitting. Admission: \$7.00. Bring a chair.

Rivkin says, “Each week, I see the magic that’s created when we gather together a large number of artists with high-energy musicians. Live painting in this charged atmosphere becomes an exciting entertainment genre, and makes for a uniquely cool vibe. Fans move to the groove, while watching amazing works of art come to life before their eyes.”

Rivkin has been producing live events and festivals since 2000, including the ongoing weekly indoor event Live Art Fusion (LiveArtFusion.com), every Wednesday night at 841 East Lounge in Huntington.

Each week, more than a dozen artists speed-paint to the music of a different jazz-funk band. I’m thankful for the opportunity to bring four expanded mega-versions of this event to the Vanderbilt and to Heckscher Park and Northport Village Park this summer, in the form of Live Art Fusion Festival.”