Speed Leads: New Works / New to WAA

New works (works that have yet to be premiered or have premiered within the last 2 years) and New colleagues (members that are attending WAA for the first time) are the wellspring of the performing arts and this session is your source for fresh voices, compelling artists, refreshing repertory, and red-hot projects.

GROUP 1

Tyler Miller
Agency Name: Tumbledown House
Organization Website: 
WAA Exhibit #: 917, 919
Artist Name Being Pitched: Tumbledown House
Project Name Pitched: Sum And Substance
Artist or Project Website: www.tumbledownhouse.com
Fee Range: $4,000 - $8,000

Description:
After performing 700 shows, San Francisco modern speakeasy music purveyors, Tumbledown House, are releasing their third album. Fusing elements of traditional jazz and blues with captivating storytelling and eclectic instrumentation, Tumbledown House writes engaging, refreshingly creative originals while drawing on some timeless selections from the Great American Songbook.

JooWan Kim
Agency Name: Ensemble Mik Nawooj
Organization Website: 
WAA Exhibit #: 917/919
Artist Name Being Pitched: Ensemble Mik Nawooj
Project Name Pitched: A Chamber Hip-Hop Orchestra
Artist or Project Website: http://www.ensemblemiknawooj.com/
Fee Range: $15,000

Description:
A 10 piece postmodern Hip-Hop Orchestra with winds, strings, piano, drums, two MCs, and a lyric soprano performing original compositions by the music director JooWan Kim as well as deconstructed and re-imagined versions of classic Hip-Hop tracks from such artists as Wu-Tang, Snoop Dogg, and more.
Group 1

Andre Bouchard
Agency Name: Walrus Arts Management
Organization Website: www.walrusarts.com
WAA Exhibit #: 119
Artist Name Being Pitched: Dancing Earth
Project Name Pitched: Re(d)Generation
Artist or Project Website: http://www.dancingearth.org/
Fee Range: $15,000-$35,000

Description:
Dancing Earth is an Indigenous inter-tribal ensemble led by Rulan Tangen (Metis) that integrates Native culture, language and community work into contemporary dance performance, workshop and engagement with Native and intercultural communities. They are currently developing a new show for tour Seeds Re(d)Generation which looks at the inter-tribal perspectives on food, food sovereignty and land - bringing the energy of the landscape into the theater. Seeds Re(d)Generation on tour ideally involves residency of at least one week which is instrumental in building relationships with local community through creative engagement.

Lee Olsen
Agency Name: KCA Artists
Organization Website: www.keithcase.com
WAA Exhibit #: 320
Artist Name Being Pitched: The HillBenders
Project Name Pitched: The HillBenders Present The Who’s TOMMY: A Bluegrass Opry
Artist or Project Website: www.hillbenders.com
Fee Range: $10,000 - $12,500 plus hotels

Description:
Bluegrass meets The Who’s TOMMY. 45 years after its original release, the classic rock opera has now been fully realized as a full length bluegrass tribute featuring Springfield, Missouri’s The HillBenders. The live performance is a full 75 minute show covering the original album from start to finish with audience participation.
GROUP 2

**Mark Bell**

*Agency Name:* WOW Attractions  
*Organization Website:* wowattractions.com  
*WAA Exhibit #:* 114  
*Artist Name Being Pitched:* Wartime Radio Revue  
*Project Name Pitched:* Wartime Radio Revue  
*Artist or Project Website:* wowattractions.com  
*Fee Range:* $5,000  

**Description:**

Broadcasting live across America, to all the ships at sea, and to all our boys in uniform stationed abroad, WARTIME RADIO REVUE, a World War II U.S.O. show featuring big band hits from the 30’s and 40’s complete with a tight harmony female trio, wartime era uniforms and radio commercials.

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**Jean Schreiber**

*Agency Name:* Classics Alive Artists  
*Organization Website:* www.classicsaliveartists.org  
*WAA Exhibit #:* 913  
*Artist Name Being Pitched:* Lindsay Deutsch and Friends  
*Project Name Pitched:* Poetry and Passion: The Music of Astor Piazzolla  
*Artist or Project Website:* www.lindsaydeutsch.com  
*Fee Range:* $5,500 - $8,500 all-inclusive  

**Description:**

Well-known violinist and entertainer, Lindsay Deutsch, performs with a small, conductorless chamber ensemble presenting the sultry jazz-tangos of the wildly popular Argentinian composer, Astor Piazzolla. The infectious rhythm of the tango, combined with the high octane energy of these powerhouse performers, translates into a thrilling, roof-raising musical journey.
GROUP 2

Barbara Scales
Agency Name: Latitude45 Arts Promotion
Organization Website: www.latitude45arts.com
WAA Exhibit #: 523
Artist Name Being Pitched: collectif9
Project Name Pitched: Volksmobiles
Artist or Project Website: www.collectif9.ca
Fee Range: $6,500-$8,500

Description:
A nine-piece string ensemble, collectif9 presents classical music with rock-style charisma. Founded in Montréal in 2011, collectif9 already has a track record of dozens of concerts bringing classical music to traditional and new audiences.

In their show Volksmobiles, collectif9 delivers an uncompromising selection of folk-inspired pieces, from Brahms and Bartok to Piazzola.

Tim Drake
Agency Name: The Roots Agency
Organization Website: www.therootsagency.com
WAA Exhibit #: 500
Artist Name Being Pitched: Summer of Love Concert Experience
Project Name Pitched: The 50th Anniversary of the Summer of Love
Artist or Project Website: http://summerofloveconcert.com
Fee Range: $15,000 - $20,000

Description:
The Summer of Love Concert is a concert experience that has audiences reliving the memories of the Woodstock generation—the music that changed the world. All arrangements are live and note-for-note by top musicians.
GROUP 3

Rachel Cohen
Agency Name: Cadence Arts Network
Organization Website: www.cadencearts.com
WAA Exhibit #: 304
Artist Name Being Pitched: Mixed eMotion
Theatrix, Artistic Director Janet Roston
Project Name Pitched: "Anais, A Dance Opera"
Artist or Project Website:
www.anaisdanceopera.com
Fee Range: $7,500-$11,000

Description:
An innovative production interweaving dance/music/theater, that explores the riveting life of famed diarist, Anaïs Nin. One female vocalist, six dancers, original music, and stunning projections reveals Nin, her world of words, her passions and her creativity, along with her scorching relationship with novelist Henry Miller.

Leslie Irwin
Agency Name: Smuin Ballet
Organization Website: www.smuinballet.org
WAA Exhibit #: 618
Artist Name Being Pitched: Trey McIntyre
Project Name Pitched: world premiere dance piece revolving around the Summer of Love
Artist or Project Website:
http://www.treymcintyre.com
Fee Range: $12,000 - $18,000

Description:
Hailed by The New York Times as one of the most important choreographers working today, celebrated dance maker Trey McIntyre returns to Smuin Ballet to pay tribute to the 50th anniversary of the Summer of Love in an energetic exploration of dance and the creative process. The work is inspired by a historic moment that has shaped San Francisco and its culture for generations.
GROUP 3

Dwayne Ulloa
Agency Name: AKA Productions/Latino Entertainment
Organization Website: www.akaproductions.com
WAA Exhibit #: 104
Artist Name Being Pitched: Yolanda Del Rio
Project Name Pitched: Yolanda Del Rio
Artist or Project Website: N/A
Fee Range: $18,000-$25,000

Description:
Legendary Ranchera singer, Yolanda Del Rio is considered “La Gran Señora De Mexico” (The Great Lady of Mexico). She is an icon who does not tour consistently, but when she does she has great fan support.

Craig Knudsen
Agency Name: Knudsen Productions
Organization Website: www.knudsenproductions.com
WAA Exhibit #: 910
Artist Name Being Pitched: Black Market Trust
Project Name Pitched: Black Market Trust - II
Artist or Project Website: http://www.theblackmarkettrust.com
Fee Range: $4,000-$7,500

Description:
Unique synthesis of two (previously) different genres/musical styles: Eastern European gypsy jazz and The Great American Songbook (w/three part vocal harmony). After six years of touring with the Gonzalo Bergara Quartet, BMT founding members Jeffrey Raidaich (guitar/vocals) and Brian Netzley (bass/vocals) left GBQ to embark upon this exciting new project.
GROUP 4

Karen Fischer
Agency Name: Pasifika Artists Network
Organization Website: http://www.pasifika-artists.com
WAA Exhibit #: 606
Artist Name Being Pitched: Kealoha
Project Name Pitched: The Story of Everything
Artist or Project Website:
Fee Range: $10,000-$15,000
Description:
Kealoha, Hawai‘i’s Poet Laureate and Slam Poetry Legend, has created his newest and most ambitious work, The Story of Everything, that traces our origins from the Big Bang to present day, using science, poetry, storytelling, multiple knowledge systems, visuals, music, ‘oli [chant], and dance. 13.7 billion years told in a 90 min multi-media performance.

Richard Mills
Agency Name: The Feldman Agency
Organization Website: www.feldman-agency.com
WAA Exhibit #: 314
Artist Name Being Pitched: Assisted Living: The Musical
Project Name Pitched: Assisted Living: The Musical
Artist or Project Website:
http://assistedlivingthemusical.com
Fee Range: $5,000-$7,000
Description:
Assisted Living: The Musical® is a 75-minute vaudeville-esque revue originally written for two actors and a pianist. The show’s host couple enters heaven, suspecting their son pulled the plug… but they don’t seem to mind. Instead, the couple fondly remembers Pelican Roost, an active, full-service retirement community. There, eighteen different characters sing and dance, revel and kvetch, celebrate and bloviate their way through later life.
GROUP 4

Lindsay Kratz
Agency Name: Baylin Artists Management Organization Website: www.baylinartists.com WAA Exhibit #: 810
Artist Name Being Pitched: BEOGA
Project Name Pitched: Spring 2018 tour
Artist or Project Website: http://www.baylinartists.com/artist/beoga/ or http://www.beogamusic.com/
Fee Range: $8,500

Description:
The acclaimed Irish ensemble Beoga hails from Belfast Ireland. The Wall Street Journal describes them as “the most exciting new traditional band to emerge from Ireland this century.” They have performed at The Proms, the National Celtic Festival, the Houston International Festival, and Glasgow’s Celtic Connections. Beoga will be on the West Coast in March 2018.

Katherine Miller
Agency Name: Kamstar Artist Management Organization Website: www.kamstar.com WAA Exhibit #: 724
Artist Name Being Pitched: The Americus Brass Band
Project Name Pitched: Top Brass - a Salute to the Services - song/brass from the Civil War to WWII
Artist or Project Website: http://www.Kamstar.com
Fee Range: $7,500 - 20,000, depending on travel

Description:
A Salute to the Services: America’s best brass from the Civil War to Sousa, to the Ragtime of WWI and the Swing of WWII. From the fields to the canteen, the songs and music from America’s military bands, performed on the authentic instruments of the times. Music, songs, narrative.