

Queer Cultural Center and No Credits Productions, LLC presents

STONO: An audio-ritual

Written & composed by T. Carlis Roberts

Q&A moderated by Addie Ulrey

June 19, 2022 | 12pm PT

Song order

1. Here (mushrooms)
2. The Particulars (documents)
3. Is It the Time? (ground)
4. Bug Ball (heads)
5. Spirited Liquors (gin)
6. Liberty/Lukangu (Kongolese Virgin Mary)
7. Wall of Lead (guns)
8. Hear (mushrooms)
9. Ibo (water)*

*Additional lyrics by Kristen Mitchell

Performers

T. Carlis Roberts - voice, synths, percussion, mandolin, guitar

Rafael Maya - drums, electronic percussion

Safiya Fredericks - voice

Kristen Mitchell - voice, hot water bottle

Offerings

For best sound, please listen with headphones or through full-range speakers.

This show contains references to racism, violence, and slavery, as well as the sound of gunfire.

If you are sensitive to loud or surprising sounds, please consider listening at a lower volume or through speakers instead of headphones.

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STONO: An audio-ritual features quotations from primary documents published in *Stono: Documenting and Interpreting a Southern Slave Revolt* (ed. Mark M. Smith). "Liberty/Lukangu" contains parts of two prayers translated in John K. Thornton's *The Kongolese Saint Anthony: Dona Beatriz Kimpa Vita and the Antonian Movement, 1684-1706*. Portions of "Ibo" were inspired by Pauli Murray's "Dark Testament" (published 1970) and "Is It the Time?" includes a turn of phrase used by Oluale Kossula in Zora Neale Hurston's *Barracoon: The Story of the Last "Black Cargo."*

Thank you

Addie Ulrey
All beyond-human participants
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Capperson Edamame Good Tidings to All
Carol Robinson
Cecilia Lucas
Claudia Fields
Dawn Haney
Dez Roberts
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Gaia Mika
George Rosario
Gwen Park
Harold Fields
Jamey Fields
Jeff Gibbons
Jen Nealon Garone

Josh Horvath
Kirbie Crowe
Kristen Mitchell
Latisha Bradley
Living Marks ensemble
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Peter H. Wood
Rafael Maya
Rashida Braggs
Ron Ragin
Safiya Fredericks
Spirit of Wallace the tavern keeper
Ted Pearson
Thomas Thornton
Virginia Richards
Wael Garas

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