THE ZIGGURAT BUILDERS

A NEW COMPOSITION BY

MARCUS DAVIDSON

FOR VOICE, 'UD AND CELLO

PREMIERE FRIDAY 3RD JUNE 2011

ST. ETHELBURGA'S CENTRE FOR RECONCILIATION AND PEACE

The Ziggurat Builders. The title and libretto are taken from an existing poem by the late Iraqi Assyrian poet, Sargon Boulus, translated from Arabic into English by the author. The musical composition draws on the unique sounds and individual qualities of Voice and Khyam Allami, to explore the performing traditions of east and west. The combination of voices, ʻūd, and cello is explored for the first time here, in the creation of a new sound source.

Voice - Victoria Couper, Clemmie Franks, Emily Burn
London based a cappella trio whose repertoire spans both ages and continents, from medieval chant to European folk and contemporary music.
www.voicetrio.co.uk

Khyam Allami - London based ʻūd player of Iraqi descent.
He has worked with many great artists and masters of the ʻūd, including the Iraqi virtuoso Naseer Shamma at Beit al-ʻŪd al Arabi in Cairo. Allami released his first solo album, Resonance/Dissonance in May 2011.
www.khyamallami.com

Tara Franks- London based cellist specialising in collaborations that mix musical genres, disciplines and cross art forms. She performs and composes with a variety of new ensembles including Quest Quintet.

Marcus Davidson - composer, whose work encompasses music for dance, music-comedy, arranging and writing for stage, radio, video and TV.
In 2010, he composed Angelica the Doorkeeper, his first compostion for Voice.
www.marcusdavidson.com

3rd June, 8pm

St. Ethelberga's Centre
for Reconciliation and Peace,
78 Bishopsgate, London,
EC2N 4AG
Tickets: £10/£5
Bookings:
events@stethelburgas.org
02074961618

18th June, 7.30pm

Blessed Hugh Church
Marlborough Street,
Faringdon, SN7 7JE
Tickets: £10/£8
Bookings:
julia@theburns.name
steviewright@tiscali.co.uk

25th June, 8pm

The North Wall Arts Centre
South Parade, Oxford, OX2 7NN
Tickets: £10/£7
Bookings with OCM:
www.ocmevents.org
01865 319450
*This event is part of Oxfringe

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