

The Dream of Now

The Newsletter of Composer Joelle Wallach

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Special Edition

Joelle Wallach's Chamber Music Part of Quintet of the Americas From the Heart Multi-Media Concert on April 12 at Rockaway Arts Alliance in Queens, New York



The Queens Premiere of Joelle Wallach's woodwind quintet, **O llama de amor viva** (Oh, living flame of love - 1990) will be performed as part of **From the Heart**, a multi-media concert on Sunday, April 12 - 2:00 PM at Studio T-7 Gallery of Rockaway Artists Alliance (RAA), Fort Tilden in Rockaway, Queens.

Quintet of the Americas, Queens' renowned woodwind quintet, will

present a concert focusing on music related thematically to different aspects of love including love of partners, love of homeland, and love of sound.

Joelle writes. "The subtitle of my woodwind quintet, **O llama de amor viva** (Oh, living flame of love), is the first line of a poem by the Spanish mystic, Saint John of the Cross. The music depicts fire's gentle flicker and sudden conflagration as metaphor for the varying intensity of consuming spiritual love. The brief rising phrase each instrument breathes in the short slow introduction is a single, graceful lick of flame. As the piece progresses through rapid changes of tempo, texture and mood, the phrases ignite, flaring together or blazing separately, creating climaxes, flashing toward a final flushed moment of glowing repose."

Other composers on the program include Ljova (Lev Zhurbin), Lembit Beecher, Neil Rolnick and Kate Neil.

In collaboration with the Rockaway Artists Alliance, local artists will be invited to bring in paintings related to the theme of love. The performance will be followed by a discussion with the musicians, artists, and audience.

The April 12 event is free and open to the public. For more information, call 718-474-0861 or visit <http://www.rockawayartistsalliance.org/>. This concert is ADA accessible. For directions to RAA, visit http://www.rockawayartistsalliance.org/contact_dir.html. For MTA transportation information, visit <http://tripplanner.mta.info/start.aspx>.



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