

# **January 2007 Newsletter**

Dear Friends of Harmony Channel,

Welcome to 2007! Harmony Channel brings you uplifting, entertaining, transformative visual music experiences from the world's best visual and musical artists! This email is an update of Harmony Channel news, events, artists and products. Thank you for your continued support of our artists, their programming, and our network. Be sure to visit the MoodZones Store for a great selection of mood-elevating visual music DVDs and related CDs, and keep an eye on our website www.HarmonyChannel.com for exciting news, forums, articles, and featured artists.

Wishing you a joyful and prosperous year!

Harmoniously Yours,

Ed, Laura V, Laura L, Susan, Nadine, Kate, Gary, Don and the Harmony Channel Team

\$20. Details including DJs on Scott's blog and at CoSM.



Kenji Williams Performs at Denver Planetarium -Composer and Producer Kenji Williams performs in a oneof-a-kind immersive audio visual show at the Gates Planetarium on February 15,16,17th in Denver, Colorado, USA. "Gaia Journeys" is a collaboration with the Denver Museum of Nature and Science (DMNS) and is performed their world-class fulldome theater. This will be the debut of one of the latest high end software programs (developed by AMNH & SCISS New York/Sweden) that simulate being out in space with breathtaking photo-realistic navigation flying above the Earth and navigating a scientifically accurate model of the known universe. You'll see the deforestation of the Amazon from Space, the Earth's atmosphere (a mere

20 miles thick), and the utter vastness of the backdrop of stars and galaxies. This is the most realistic simulation of orbiting above the Earth that most people will ever see, allowing visitors to appreciate the Earth's fragile beauty and borderless surface just as the astronauts have reported. The Gate's Planetarium provides a vivid image that has six times the resolution of the best HDTV screen in a dome theater with surround sound. "Gaia Journeys" will include live orbital navigation, zooms into Earth cities and geographies with 360degree panoramic 'visitations', and a custom soundtrack composed and performed with 'spacey' violin by classically trained Kenji Williams. Check out the Sample Trailer Video: Video Trailer High: Video Trailer Low: For tickets or more information, go to the DMNS website.

# HARMONY EVENTS

Scott Draves in NYC This Weekend - Visual computer artist Scott Draves (a.k.a. Spot) will be speaking and exhibiting his work at Alex Grey's Entheocentric Salon this Saturday night (January 20th) at 8pm in NYC at the Chapel of Sacred Mirrors. Scott will be exhibiting his Dreams in High Fidelity - incredible high-definition computer art rendered on 40,000 home computers. Afterwards there will be live painting by Alex & Allyson Grey, Sharon Fulcher, and Zachariah Kaliptus, and a late night of dance music including Spot's HifiDreams followed by Psybooty Records release party presented by 28<sup>th</sup> Day with live performances by novaTRON, PSYLAB, and PEDRO, and DJ's M-FIELD, Dan Covan and D-SPACE. The talk begins Saturday, January 20th at 8pm at 540 West

27th St, 4th Floor (btw 10th and 11th ave), New York City. Admission is

February 14<sup>th</sup> is World Sound Healing Day. For five minutes at any time on February 14th, all are invited to create a "Sonic



Valentine" by toning the sound "AH" filled with the intention of Peace and Love. Toning has been demonstrated to bring about profound positive shifts in mood and consciousness, and is used by music therapists, complimentary and alternative healers, and meditators. The event is being promoted by Jonathan Goldman, the Sound Healers Association, and numerous individuals and organizations (see www.healingsounds.com). There will also be several global toning events occurring via the Internet during that day, including at noon Eastern Time on www.healthylife.net and at 9 PM ET on www.allonenow.org.



Last Call for Visual Music Marathon Entries! - This Monday, January 22<sup>nd</sup> is the deadline for mailing submissions to Boston's Visual Music Marathon. Harmony Channel is proudly sponsoring this event to be held at Northeastern University's Raytheon Amphitheatre on April 28th, 2007 as part of the Boston Cyberarts Festival. The 10-hour Marathon will include screenings of new and historic visual music works and an exciting live video component. Approximately thirty minutes of programming will be selected for broadcast on Harmony Channel's MoodZones. The event is being organized by visual and musical artist and Northeastern University Professor, Dennis Miller. Works submitted for screening should illustrate in some form the concept or use of visual music. Abstract/non-representational ("fine art" or "experimental") works with original music are especially encouraged. Works under 10 minutes in duration are preferred (all entries must be under 30 minutes in length). Works must be submitted on DVD in NTSC format and must be postmarked by January 22nd, 2007 to be considered.

# HARMONY on COMCAST



Fear Disrupts Harmony... for now - On January 2nd Comcast dropped Harmony Channel's MoodZones from their On Demand lineup. Despite receiving nearly 500,000 views, Comcast informed us that the network was not receiving enough views to compete with network programming that is flooding in due to the great success of On Demand. Comcast did, however, receive an incredible response to FEARnet, their new fear-based horror network, which has received millions in capital and programming and is being heavily promoted by Comcast, including a coveted channel number - rare for

an On Demand network.

In all fairness, the horror genre already has a huge following, while ambient, environmental, and abstract visual music has not yet appeared on the mass audience radar despite its substantial and growing following. Still, given even half the promotional dollars that FEARnet has received, one must wonder what a positive impact the Harmony/Comcast combo could have on people's daily lives. Discussions continue with Comcast to restore Harmony, including the possibility of a future HDTV network. Voice your opinion by emailing Matt Strauss at programs@selectondemand.com, and Colleen Rooney at corporate communications@comcast.com.

Have no fear! Harmony Channel is just getting started. Discussions with other television carriers are underway, work has started on our broadband site Moodzones.TV with both free and subscription services and select HD downloads, and we're preparing to launch a DVD and HD-DVD compilation series later this year - all showcasing the best visual and musical artists devoted to creating positive, entertaining experiences that elevate your mood. Stay tuned!!!

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## HARMONY in the WORKPLACE

Harmony Channel is preparing to release a quarterly business-to-business DVD with special license for public exhibition. This infinitely looping DVD will contain over an hour of breathtaking animation, cinematography and visionary art set to beautiful music and is designed to be played on plasma screens in public spaces including healthcare waiting rooms, café's, hotels and similar venues. The modest public exhibition license fee will provide revenue for Harmony's visual and musical artists while creating a relaxing, healing and visually stimulating ambience for visitors. Demo DVDs are now available - contact Susan@harmonychannel.com.

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# HARMONY WEBSITE

New Site Launches! Over the holidays Harmony Channel quietly launched a new website that includes an open Forum, an Events Calendar, and a MoodZones Magazine. Please send your event notices to Susan@harmonychannel.com for posting on the website. Many thanks to the team who worked tirelessly to make this site a reality, including leader David Mieloch, assistant Zubair Raymond-Latib, and original graphic art & Flash design by Penny Slinger and Dhiren Dasu. David is actually a local composer who recently moved on to work on a new film project. We're now working on Phase III of our site design with video/web/print artists Marcolina Design, Inc. and Flash expert Rob Hall, led by our new webmaster and celebrated composer Don Slepian.

# **NEW HARMONY DVD**



**Star Chronicles III: The Golden Key** – <u>Charlie Case</u> has outdone himself. Really. His original <u>Star</u> <u>Chronicles: Journeys in Imagination</u> was a fantastic computer animated journey through imaginary worlds set to the world-class ambient/space composer, Jonn Serrie. The second in this trilogy, <u>Lumia Nights: Out</u> <u>of the Blue</u> took us on a dreamy journey through animated tropical rain forests, caves, Egyptian and Mayan hieroglyphics and ruins.

<u>Star Chronicles III: The Golden Key</u> is a 3D animated artistic masterpiece produced in collaboration with drummer and experimental composer <u>Futureman</u> (from Béla Fleck and the Flecktones fame). Based on a re-scored version of Futureman's "The Seamless Script CD," The Golden Key combines ancient symbolic wisdom and futuristic animation, unlocking a spiritual experience far beyond superficial entertainment. This latest offering in the Star Chronicle series sets a new standard in imaginary journeys. Beautiful music and new vistas unfold around every corner, deeply mystical with many levels and shades of meaning, inspiring

and profound. This DVD is destined to be a classic.

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Rainbow Body Awakening.

# **HARMONY ARTISTS**

**Penny Slinger and Dhiren Dasu** – Harmony Channel would like to recognize visual and musical artists Penny Slinger and Dhiren Dasu of the <u>Blue Lotus Temple</u>. This incredibly talented and productive couple have worked tirelessly to support Harmony Channel with original programming, including MoodZone ID's, network interstitials, website design and art direction, and original visual music programming for the Dream, Play and Chill Zones. Penny's unique background as a fine artist and producer, and Dhiren's expertise with computer effects, web design, IT and musical composition, coupled with their Bolder Creek, CA based studio and extensive network of performing artists (beautiful goddesses!), make Blue Lotus Temple uniquely qualified to provide a wide range of quality, cutting-edge production services. We salute Penny, Dhiren and their Goddess Channel for helping to make Harmony Channel a reality, and look forward to the future release of their upcoming DVD,

**ILONA EUROPA & Jerry G. Jones** – Recording artist <u>ILONA EUROPA</u> recently collaborated with musician and visual artist <u>Jerry G. Jones</u> on a series of breathtaking visual music pieces that debuted exclusively on Harmony Channel in December, including "BREEZE" and "SNOWFLAKES." The "BREEZE" DVD and CD are still in production, and the titles were provided to Harmony by the cutting-edge artist management group, <u>Sabre Entertainment</u>. We salute Sabre Entertainment for supporting Harmony with this exclusive debut. Stay tuned for more from ILONA and Jerry.

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## HARMONY ANGELS

**Tell Your TV Provider You Like Us** – Please drop Comcast an email to both Matt Strauss at <u>programs@selectondemand.com</u> and Colleen Rooney at <u>corporate communications@comcast.com</u> and tell them how much you miss MoodZones by Harmony Channel on Comcast's On Demand service. You can also call your local Comcast or other cable or satellite provider and ask for Harmony Channel as well. Together we can change the face of television with alternative programming that enhances your peace of mind!

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