# todd merrell

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### Education

1991	The Hartt School, Hartford, CT Private study in Composition with James Sellars, Composition Chair
1990	Berklee College of Music, Boston, MA Composition, Voice (two years)
1987	Post College, Waterbury, CT Liberal Arts, Sociology, Psychology (two years)
1986	Bobby Naughton Studio, Woodbury, CT Private study in Harmony and Composition with Bobby Naughton

# Awards and Residencies

2011	Hartford Arts & Heritage Jobs Grant, City of Hartford & Greater Hartford Arts Council, Hartford, CT
2010	Thanatopolis Noir Music Composition Prize, I-Park Foundation, East Haddam, CT
2010	Village Voice Choice for Bunny Brains at Knitting Factory, New York, NY
2008	AIRtime Artist Fellowship and Residency, free103point9 Wave Farm, Acra, NY
2008	New Boston Fund Individual Artist Fellowship, Greater Hartford Arts Council, Hartford, CT
1994	Chicago Reader Critic's Choice, Chicago, IL
1990	Electronic Music Labs Residency, The Hartt School, Robert Carl, Director, Hartford, CT

# **Group Exhibitions**

2011	Gowanus Over and Out, Radia Radio Network, 17 stations worldwide
2010	Thanatopolis Noir, I-Park, East Haddam, CT
2010	iPhone Wherefore Art Thou, Windsor Art Center, Windsor, CT
2010	60X60 Dance, Order of Magnitude Mix, FoFA Gallery, Concordia University, Montreal, QC, Canada
2010	SIB (Sounds-In-Between) Radio Gowanus / Postcards From Gowanus, Cabinet Magazine Artspace, Brooklyn, NY
2008	60X60 Dance, Galapagos Art Space, Brooklyn, NY and World Financial Center Winter Garden, New York, NY
2008	60X60, 2008 International Mix, Vox Novus, New York, NY
2008	RadiaLx 2008, Radio Zero, Lisbon, Portugal
2008	Radio Action III, The New Museum, New York, NY
2008	Lines of Sight #4, Radio Web MACBA, Museu d'Art Contemporani de Barcelona, Barcelona, Spain
2008	Bring Your Own TV, The Video Gentlemen, New American Art Union, Portland, OR
2008	No Go Zones, Influence 100, London, England
2007	Radio Festival and Artist Retreat, free103point9 Wave Farm, Acra, NY
2007	Radio 4X4, free103point9, Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum, New York, NY
2007	Tune(Out)))side, free103point9 Wave Farm, Acra, NY
2007	Frequencies, Black & White Gallery, Brooklyn, NY
2006	Time Labs, Orange 94.0, Vienna, Austria
2006	Radio Festival, free103point9 Wave Farm, Acra, NY
2006	Points In A Circle, Issue Project Room, Brooklyn, NY
2005	Retro Relay, Issue Project Room, Brooklyn, NY
2005	Tune(Out)))side, free103point9 Wave Farm, Acra, NY
2000	Clear, Hoppin Gallery, Farmington, CT
1994	X-Music, Columbia College, Chicago, IL

### Commissioned Works and Selected Performances

2010	As March Times On, Sounds-In-Between, Cabinet Magazine Artspace, Brooklyn, NY (commission)
2009	Every Single Day, world premiere film screening, music and film by Todd Merrell, Issue Project Room, Brooklyn, NY
2009	pitothepowerofpi, microsound.org 2009 pi day, online digital download album, Kim Cascone, curator (commission)
2008	Prime Time One, music and film by Todd Merrell, webstream, free103point9, Acra, NY
2008	Pistol Shrimp, with Joshua Fried, Radio Action III, The New Museum, NY, NY (commission)
2008	Sixty String Serenade, 2008 60X60 Dance, Galapagos Art Space, Brooklyn, NY (commission)
2008	Coldharbour Lane, Influence 100, No Go Zones (album, cd), London, England (commission)
2008	The Last Transmission, Bring Your Own TV, New American Art Union, Portland, OR (commission)
2006	800 Hurts me, Time Labs, Orange 94.0, Vienna, Austria (commission)
1996	JNNY: A Love Song, (bar, vln, vla, vc, db, key), New York Festival of Song, Michael Barrett, Music Director, New York, NY
1994	Detritus, transmission gongs percussion solo, Steve Butters, Getz Theatre, Columbia College, Chicago, IL (commission)
1994	Three Inventions for Marconi, string quartet, Columbia String Quartet, Getz Theatre, Columbia College, Chicago, IL
1993	Re-narrow Your Eyes, five part madrigal, Chicago A Capella, Jonathan Miller, Music Director, Chicago, IL (commission)
1992	Timetables, marimba quartet, University at Buffalo Percussion Ensemble, Jan Williams, Conductor, Buffalo, NY

- Tre Righe per Flauto Solo, flute solo, Tim Lane, University of Wisconsin, Eau Claire, WI (commission) (recording) 1992
- Post-Rondo, piano solo, Triad, Charis Bean Duke, Piano, Curtis Hall, Chicago, IL 1992
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- Baroquen Blues, Paul Cienniwa, Harpsichord, HotHouse, Chicago, IL

  JNNY: A Love Song, Robert Black, Double Bass (Bang On A Can), Fumiko Miyanoo, Keyboard, and Jeffrey Krieger, Cello, 1990 von der Mehden Hall, University of Connecticut, Storrs, CT and Lincoln Theater, The Hartt School, Hartford, CT

Jul 18

Solo and Ensemble Performances		
2011		
Oct 22 Oct 18	NOW! Concerts, Millerton, NY with Clive Davis, Don Sosin, Adrian Knight, Christopher Cerrone, and Matt Sargent Theoretical: Transmission Arts, Artists and Airwaves, book launch concert, Issue Project Room, Brooklyn, NY with Joel Chadabe, Kabir Carter, Terry Nauheim, and Lázaro Valiente	
Apr 21 Feb 5	Capital Community College, Music @ Capital, Hartford, CT with Hartford Sound Alliance, Ben Klein, and Chris Ladd ArtSpace, Hartford, CT with Stephen Haynes and Matt Sargent	
2010		
Aug 29	Knitting Factory, Brooklyn, NY with Bunny Brains, P. G. Six, Zaimph (feat. Marcia Bassett from Double Leopards), Diane	
Jul 23 May 1 Apr 25 Feb 11 Feb 6	Cluck, The Hat City Intuitive, and Nonhorse (G Lucas Crane of Woods) Charter Oak Cultural Center, Hartford, CT with Hartford Sound Alliance, The Sophisticates, and Jacob Zimmerman Quartet Millerton Arts Walk, Millerton, NY with David Valyou ArtSpace, Hartford, CT with Hartford Sound Alliance and El MuCo (Juraj Kojs, Anne La Berge, Adrian Knight, and others) Open Frequencies on Radio Of The Endless, WWUH, West Hartford, CT with Matt Sargent and Daryl Seaver Open Frequencies at La Paloma Sabanera, Hartford, CT with Matt Sargent and Daryl Seaver	
2009		
Dec 18 Dec 3 Nov 20 Sep 25 May 21 Feb 12 Feb 2	December at ArtSpace, Hartford, CT with Matt Sargent and Nolan Stolz Outpost 186, Cambridge, MA with Hartford Sound Alliance and Abram Taber 119 Gallery, Lowell, MA with Jack Wright Group and Marc Bisson with Mike Funaiole Whitehaus Family Record, Jamaica Plain, MA with Hartford Sound Alliance, Electrocaster, Duck That, and Amalgam Trio Issue Project Room, Brooklyn, NY with Marie Evelyn, Ann Adachi and Nick Lesley Javapalooza, Middletown, CT with Mike Mahoney and Jean Paul as Parakeets, and others Bar Matchless, Brooklyn, NY with Lou Rossi, Casey Block, Ducktails and Rust Worship	
2008		
Aug 28 Aug 7	The Stone, New York, NY with H*E*R*, Yvette Perez, Peter Zummo, Danny Tunick and Stephen Haynes Radio Action III, CD Release at The New Museum, New York, NY with Joshua Fried, Latitude/Longitude, neuroTransmitter, Tom Roe and others	
Jul 5 Jun 26 May 23 Feb 23 Feb 22	Montague Book Mill, Montague Center, MA with H*E*R*, Yvette Perez, Peter Zummo and Stephen Haynes HYP(E)levation at Hartford City Hall, Hartford, CT with The Artists Collective, The Sweetest Key and others Camp Judson, Hartford, CT with Cowards, Stillbirth, Reviver, Medicine Lake, and Waterdogs Unsound at Pussycat Lounge, New York, NY with Choking Sun, Statiqbloom, Death By A Thousand Cuts, and Vvltvre Lutheran Church of the Messiah, Greenpoint, Brooklyn, NY with Duane Pitre and Naum	
2007		
Dec 2 Nov 2	ABC No Rio [COMA], New York, NY with Lou Rossi, Claire de Brunner, and Scott May Camp Judson, Hartford, CT with Pillars Of Heaven, Reviver & Mouth To Mouth collaboration, Medicine Lake, and Heat Conference	
Oct 13 Aug 19	Radio Festival at free103.9 Wave Farm, Acra, NY with Joshua Fried, Michelle Nagai, Tianna Kennedy, and others Radio 4X4 at The Guggenheim Museum, as part of Rirkrit Tiravanija's installation, Untitled 2002 (he promised) in The Shapes of Space exhibition, with Tianna Kennedy, Michelle Nagai, ben owen, and Tom Roe	
Jul 7 Feb 4	Tune (Out)))side at free103.9 Wave Farm with Chris Forsyth, Andy Graydon, Richard Garet, and others Frequencies at Black & White Gallery, Williamsburg, Brooklyn, NY with The Dust Dive, 31 Down, Anna Friz, Tom Roe, Joshua Fried, and ben owen + Gil Arno	
Feb 3	Unsound at Pussycat Lounge, New York, NY with Aidan Baker, Casey Block, Lou Rossi, NTT, the beta cloud, and () (clipped)	
Jan 2	Cake Shop, New York, NY with Richard Francis, Casey Block, Slasher Risk, and others	
2006		
Nov 16 Oct 28 Oct 27 Oct 17 Aug 5	Real Art Ways, Hartford, CT with Troum, Aidan Baker, and Casey Block P.A.'s Lounge, Somerville, MA with Bunny Brains Wesleyan University, Middletown, CT with Bunny Brains and Magik Markers Warper at The Delancey, New York, NY with Lou Rossi, Joshua Fried, Moldover, and others Radio Festival at free103point9 Wave Farm, Acra, NY with NYSAE, Michelle Rosenberg, Jeff Feddersen, Lycaon Pictus,	

Points In A Circle at Issue Project Room, Brooklyn, NY with Francisco Lopez and Stephan Moore

May 23 On The Way Out at Freddy's Back Room, Brooklyn, NY with Casey Block and Lou Rossi, and the Matt Lavelle Quintet

May 12 Feb 12 Feb 11 Jan 2	119 Gallery, Lowell, MA with Patrick Jordan and Craig Colorusso ABC No Rio [COMA], New York, NY with Lou Rossi and others Open Loop, Brooklyn, NY with Lou Rossi and others Cake Shop, New York, NY with Casey Block and others
2005	
Nov 30 Nov 20 Jul 17 Jul 10 Jul 4 May 18 May 1	Zeitgeist Gallery, Cambridge, MA with Patrick Jordan, and Peter Slavov Quartet Retro Relay at Issue Project Room, Brooklyn, NY with Ikue Mori, Joan La Barbara, Pauline Oliveros, Robert Dick, and others The Tank, New York, NY with Pilotram Ensemble (Duane Pitre) Knitting Factory, New York, NY with Richard Sims and The Sleeplab Ghost, Hero Pattern, Low Flying Jets, and Cloud Cult Tune(Out)))side at free 103point9 Wave Farm, Acra, NY with 50 others The Webster Underground, Hartford, CT with Patrick Jordan, Mommy & Daddy, and others ABC No Rio [COMA], New York, NY with Pilotram (Duane Pitre) and others
2004	
Nov 14 Nov 13 Nov 12 Jul 31 Mar 30 Mar 29	OpenAir [Share], New York, NY with Aidan Baker Real Art Ways, Hartford, CT with Patrick Jordan and Aidan Baker Galapagos Art Space, Brooklyn, NY with Aidan Baker and Pilotram Jim Cole's AG7, Glastonbury, CT Sully's, Hartford, CT Pioneer Arts Center, Easthampton, MA
2002 2001 1997 1997 1997 1992 1992 1992 1990 1990 1989 1988	Brass City Records, Waterbury, CT with Bunny Brains Weare Days, Weare, NH with Stone Church Brownies, New York, NY with Bunny Brains The Cooler, New York, NY with Bunny Brains The Municipal, Hartford, CT with Bunny Brains Cafe Voltaire, Chicago, IL with Patrick Jordan Club Lower Links, Chicago, IL with Patrick Jordan WBEZ, Chicago, IL with Patrick Jordan von der Mehden Hall, University of Connecticut, Storrs, CT with Robert Black, Jeffrey Krieger and Fumiko Miyanoo Lincoln Theater, The Hartt School, Hartford, CT with Robert Black, Jeffrey Krieger and Fumiko Miyanoo Berklee Performance Center, Boston, MA with Bob Stoloff Night Shift, Naugatuck, CT with John Haydon
Selected Discography	

2011	Todd Merrell, Gliding, Mille Plateaux / Cluster, Germany (extended play)
2011	Todd Merrell, Kickoff, Cobalt / Special Recordings, US (extended play)
2011	Todd Merrell, Remove, PMR Recordings, US (single)
2011	John Cage, Radio Works, Mode Records, US (cd, two tracks; performer: shortwave radio, cd player)
2008	Transmission Artists, Radio Action III, free103.9 Audio Dispatch, US (cd, one collaborative track)
2008	Todd Merrell, Lost In Three Movements, Laughing Bride Media, US (extended play)
2008	Influence 100, No Go Zones, Double Entendre, London, England (dvd, one track)
2007	Merrell Baker and Jordan, Nagual, Archive Recordings, US (long play, collaboration)
2006	Todd Merrell, Neptune, Dreamland Recordings, Australia (long play)
2004	Todd Merrell, Infernal Equinox, Electromagnetica Recordings, US (long play)
2003	Todd Merrell, This Won't Hurt A Bit, Electromagnetica Recordings, US (extended play)
1998	Jake Bell, Synjasé, with Gary Higgins, Whirlybird Records, US (long play, co-producer)

### Selected Bibliography

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### Curation, Teaching, and Professional Activities

2011	3Corners Contemporary Music Project, Millerton, NY	Curator, NOW! Concerts: New Electronic Music
2010	Capital Community College, Hartford, CT	Lecturer, Music Production using Ableton Live
2008	free103point9, New York, NY	Lecturer, Radio Festival and Artist Retreat
2007	free103point9 Wave Farm, Acra, NY	Lecturer, Radio Festival and Artist Retreat
2006	Real Art Ways, Hartford, CT	Curator, After Hours
1998	Ground Zero Recording Studio, Canaan, CT	Co-producer, Synjasé, Jake Bell
1994	Randolph Street Gallery, Chicago, IL	Sound Assistant, The File Room, Muntadas
1994	Columbia College, Chicago, IL	Co-curator (with Brian Leber), X-Music
1993	Castle Rock Entertainment, Chicago, IL	Film Extra, Little Big League, feature film (1994)
1992	Chicago Park District, Chicago, IL	Music Judge and Speaker, David Poile, Director
1990	Real Art Ways, Hartford, CT	Actor, Blessed Are All the Little Fishes, John Fleck (NEA 4)

### **Professional Affiliation**

free103point9, Transmission Artist

### Recent Employment

2008	Hartford Stage Company, Hartford, CT	Marketing and Fundraising Representative
2007	Chamber Music Plus, Hartford, CT	Marketing and Education Coordinator

# Related Experience

2010	3Corners Contemporary Music Project, Millerton, NY	Music Technology Consultant, Engineer and Curator
2007	Chamber Music Plus, Hartford, CT	Live Audio Technician and Recording Engineer
2004	Hog River Music, Hartford, CT Audio an	d Computer Consultant
1998	Grumbling Gryphons Children's Theater, West Cornwall, CT	Computer Consultant
1998	Martin Nieewa, Sharon, CT	Audio / MIDI Consultant
1998	Ground Zero Recording Studio, Canaan, CT	Audio / MIDI Consultant, Producer and Engineer
1996	Sharon Stage, Sharon, CT	Setbuilder
1995	Randolph Street Gallery, Chicago, IL	Volunteer
1993	MCS Net, Chicago, IL	Technical Support Consultant, internet service provider
1990	Real Art Ways, Hartford, CT	Volunteer