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Gordon Square Arts District Announces First Musician-in-Residence

September 26, 2018 CLEVELAND, OHIO – [Gordon Square Arts District](#) today announced the selection of Ariel Clayton Karaś, director of [Classical Revolution Cleveland](#), as its first Musician-in-Residence. Karaś is a violinist who lives and works in the Gordon Square Arts District.

During her residency, Karaś and musicians from Classical Revolution Cleveland will bring free music programs and performances to a variety of Gordon Square locations over the next ten weeks.

Classical Revolution Cleveland is a collective comprised of orchestral musicians that with the mission to bring classical music to audiences at unconventional venues in an approachable setting.

“We've pushed jazz, new music, pop, improvisation, and hip-hop influences into our shows... There is a magic that happens when audiences discover something new. Sometimes ‘new’ or different can be uncomfortable - but we're also going for Impactful. Beautiful. Interesting. Always free. Always public.” said Karaś regarding the work done by Classical Revolution Cleveland.

To kick off the residency, Karaś and the Classical Revolution musicians will bring an experimental improvisational soundscape performance to the pedestrian tunnel to [Edgewater Park](#) located at W.65th St. and Father Caruso Blvd. on Sunday, September 30th at 4:00pm. Musicians will be stationed throughout the tunnel, creating ethereal, tonal sounds that audiences, bikers and joggers will be able to experience immersively as they move through the tunnel

Karaś will also utilize the [Gordon Square Art Space](#) micro-gallery located at 1386 W. 65th St. for three free performances.

- On Friday, October 26th from 5:00-7:00pm, Karaś will bring a cello duo concert featuring cellist Kellen Degnan playing music by living composers, female composers, and composers of color to the Gordon Square Art Space located at 1386 W. 65th St.

- On Saturday, November 17th from 5:00-7:00pm, there will be a performance from In2ative Duo, a flute and cello crossover that creates music inspired by classical, hip-hop and popular music. While some pieces are performed acoustically, other pieces utilize pedals, loops and beatboxing. This performance will take place at the Gordon Square Art Space, located at 1386 W. 65th St.
- On Saturday, November 24th from 5:00-7:00pm audiences can find Opus 216 string quartet playing String Quartet No. 3 from living composer Philip Glass in the Gordon Square Art Space located at 1386 W. 65th St. This performance coincides with Small Business Saturday in Gordon Square, which encourages holiday shoppers to support local businesses in the district.

Other Classical Revolution programs offered during Karaś' residency include a family-oriented concert at [Near West Theatre](#), a performance of Opera & Strings featuring soprano Claire Connelly and a mixed ensemble performance at the November Third Fridays event at [78th St. Studios](#).

Classical Revolution can also be found at their regularly scheduled programming at [Happy Dog on Detroit Rd.](#) on the following dates:

- Tuesday, October 16th from 8:00-10:00pm
- Tuesday, November 20th from 8:00-10:00pm

For more information on upcoming programs and performances, "like" Gordon Square Arts District on [Facebook](#), and sign up for the [e-newsletter](#).

For more information about the Gordon Square artist residency program, please email McKenzie Merriman at art@gordonsquare.org.

The Gordon Square Arts District supports the artist residency with an artist stipend, project costs and use of the Gordon Square Art Space micro-gallery at 1386 West 65th Street.

The Gordon Square Arts District leverages vibrant arts and culture to foster economic growth and livability in Cleveland's Gordon Square neighborhood. Its vision is to create an exciting lakefront neighborhood with vibrant theatres and enhanced art activity that is a regional destination for arts and culture. <http://www.gordonsquare.org>

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