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JazzLab 2011 Features Live, Public Recording Sessions at The BCA Center

Burlington, VT: (May 26, 2011) The 2011 *JazzLab* at The BCA Center on Church Street exhibits and dismantles the recording process by turning the second floor of The BCA Center into a recording studio. *JazzLab*, which takes place June 8th, 9th & 11th, 2011 as part of the Burlington Discover Jazz Festival, features a host of eclectic and celebrated musical innovators in jazz and its later predecessors, hip –hop and funk and afro-beat music. Engineers from **Burlington’s Tank Studio** bring their collection of vintage and state of the art gear to the *Lab* for experimentation with live recording and remixing. *JazzLab* invites the participation of attendees through question and answer sessions with artists, engineers and producers. Access to popular social media outlets is available in the BCA Center and visitors are encouraged to contribute to the musical conversation both on and off site. Sessions will be video webcasted by **Cortex Media Network** and air live on **The Radiator, 105.9FM, WOMM-LP** and online at www.theradiator.org.

Wednesday, June 8th, 1 – 6pm: BTV/NOLA Experiment

Meet the Artists and Engineers Session: 4pm

JazzLab experimentation begins with a hybrid super-group featuring Vermont and New Orleans musicians. Drummer **Gabe Jarrett**, Bassist **Robinson Morse** and flutist/vocalist **Heloise Williams** join forces with and some of the best emerging artists in New Orleans; Percussionist and effects genius, **Justin Peake** and avant-garde composer and band leader **Jonathan Freilich**. *JazzLab* records and streams the outcome of this unique

collaboration live and remixes some of Williams, pre-recorded material with the new hybrid group.

Thursday, June 9th, 1- 6pm: Snarky Puppy

Meet the Artists and Engineers Session: 3pm

Among the most widely known musicians at *JazzLab* this year are the electrifying, 9-piece outfit, **Snarky Puppy**, led by virtuosic electric bass player, **Michael League**. This fast rising super-group is known for its deep grooves and genre colliding improvisation. **Snarky Puppy** gravitates toward unconventional performances and hip- educational events in the effort to more fully immerse in communities while on the tour. They will be joined in the studio by Verve Records vocalist **Lucy Woodward**. Lucy has just released her debut album on Verve Records titled "Hooked!" It is produced by the legendary Tony Visconti (David Bowie, U2) with contributions from Justin Stanley (Nikka Costa, Eric Clapton).

Saturday, June 11th, 11am - 4pm: Barika

Meet the Artists and Engineers Session: 2pm

The final day of *JazzLab* brings Vermont-based Afro-hipsters, **Barika**, into the studio to record two tracks for inclusion on the bands upcoming full-length debut. Barika will also be performing at Burlington City Arts and The Point Radio's Battery Park Free Concert Series, on Thursday, July 14th, 2011.

JazzLab 2011 is an important part of Burlington City Arts, celebrating 30 years of supporting the arts, 1981-2011, which is dedicated to the promotion of excellence, experimentation, and education in all forms of contemporary art. *JazzLab* is sponsored by Seven Days Newspaper. For more information about gallery exhibitions, special events, classes and workshops, please call 802.865.7166 or visit BURLINGTONCITYARTS.ORG.

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