

Smith Fine Arts Series

Presents

Building Community with Sound

A Workshop with LADAMA



Smith Fine Arts Series invites local students and community members to participate in a free workshop conducted by LADAMA.

LADAMA is an ensemble of women musicians from across the Americas who, as well as performing as a touring band, strive to engage youth in their respective communities in the process of music-making, composition and audio production through collaboration and performance workshops. With rhythm and percussion driving their original compositions sung in Spanish, Portuguese and English they combine disparate, traditional roots music with pop. The result is a sonic experience through which we can view our future as a world that communicates across continents and cultures, with sound and story. LADAMA has performed at TED, the Skoll World Forum, on ESPN, and at dozens of prestigious venues and festivals around the world. In January 2018 they were featured on NPR's All Things Considered which praised their "irresistible spirit and universal appeal."

"We aim to address gender inequality and unequal representation of women in all aspects of music education, industry, and business. Through workshops and public performance we encourage all to express their humanity by building community through music. As musicians we collaborate to create original compositions, bringing together the disparate elements of a traditional band while writing non-traditional music. As educators and facilitators, we draw from the specific cultural contexts of the communities that we hope to serve in order to provide a foundation for music as a basic form of personal expression to address issues pertinent to them." -LADAMA

Date: Friday, October 6, 2023

Time: 4:00-4:45 PM (Please plan to arrive 15 minutes before the workshop)

Where: Rice Auditorium on the campus of Western Oregon University

Who: This is an all-ages event. Students under 12 need to be accompanied by an adult.

For more information, please contact Annie Morton, SFAS Education and Outreach Committee Chair, at 5m@comcast.net.

Note: This workshop is free of charge. Tickets for the evening performance by LADAMA is scheduled for 7:30PM. Tickets are available at smithfinearts.org