Rudhyar in Retrospect

A celebration of the music and art of Dane Rudhyar (1895–1985)

Monday, September 27, 2010
7pm Panel Discussion, 8pm Concert
Swedenborgian Church
2107 Lyon Street, San Francisco
reception at 6:30pm

Wednesday, September 29, 2010
7:30pm Concert
Valley Presbyterian Church
945 Portola Road, Portola Valley
reception to follow

His music does not have to be explained; it is the explanation of a puzzle of human existence; it is an answer to a question that was never asked.

— Nicolas Slonimsky
Dane Rudhyar (1895–1985) was a unique figure in 20th-Century American culture: a composer, thinker, painter, poet, novelist, and the pre-eminent figure in astrology. Rudhyar was American modernism’s proto-multiculturalist. He connected dissonance to his studies in comparative religion, theosophy, and metaphysics, was a leader and mentor to fellow composers Henry Cowell, Ruth Crawford Seeger and Carl Ruggles, and later influenced a new generation including John Cage, Lou Harrison, James Tenney, and Kyle Gann.

Now, 25 years after Rudhyar’s death (September 13, 1985 in San Francisco), Other Minds presents a celebration of the work of this “seed man” of the avant-garde. The September 27 program will also include a pre-concert panel discussion with the composer’s widow Leyla Rudhyar Hill, and biographer Deniz Ertan (University of Nottingham), moderated by Other Minds Artistic Director Charles Amirkhanian.

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**CONCERT PROGRAM (same for both dates)**
Poem for Violin and Piano (1920)
Works for solo piano:
- Transmutation, tone sequence in seven movements (1976)
- Stars from Pentagram No. 3 (1925)
- Granite (1926)
- Crisis & Overcoming (String Quartet No. 2)(1979)

**PERFORMERS**
David Abel & Julie Steinberg (violin and piano)
Sarah Cahill (piano)
Ives String Quartet (Bettina Musumeci, Susan Freier, Jodi Levitz, Stephen Harrison)

**SPECIAL EXHIBITION**
Rudhyar’s paintings, manuscripts, and correspondence displayed at both concerts

**TICKETS & INFORMATION**
Monday, September 27: $25 / $20 students & seniors
Wednesday, September 29: $20 / $15 students & seniors
(800) 838-3006, www.brownpapertickets.com/event/122670
To learn more visit www.otherminds.org or call (415) 934-8134

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