The Performers' Network Workshop

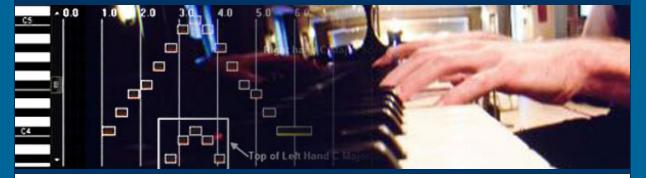
Contemporary Arts Center (CAC)

900 Camp St., New Orleans

Friday, March 11, 2011 5:00p - 7:00p

Free to the Public

Musicians & Medical Professionals Encouraged



New Orleans' Piano Playing Meets Modern Science

Every musician suffers for their art in some way, but physical pain after playing piano might not be something you have to suffer if the opportunity to understand where the pain was coming from was right in front of your eyes.

Join The Performers' Network, Performing Arts Medical Association and the NOMC/AF at this unique workshop to see the *State of the Art Performance Analysis for Musicians*. This workshop is open to the public. Musicians, music educators, and medical professionals are encouraged to attend or watch the live webcast at AthletesandtheArts.com.



At this workshop, noted
New Orleans' pianists
Jon Cleary and David
Torkanowsky will help
Dr. John Chong demonstrate
the use of biofeedback
technology live on screen

while performing.



These musicians will see where any pain while playing originates from with this great technology.

Join Kathleen Riley, YMWI
Music Performance &
Rehabilitation Specialist
and Dr. John Chong, MD,
Musicians Clinics of Toronto,
as they introduce the use of
biofeedback for analysis and
retraining for pianists' technical
approach to the instrument.
With this tool we can assess
technical problems and injuries
as
well as optimize musicians'
performances.



Calling all high level musicians, educators and students!

Do you suffer from symptoms related to conditions or injuries interfering with your ability to perform?

This workshop offers of live demonstrations of the techniques on two of New Orleans greatest pianists: David Torkanowsky and Jon Cleary. Discover the key role pedagogues will play in the health and well being of performers and students. This dynamic presentation introduces an exciting way to improve quality of life through a music performance specialist and medical doctor team approach to music performance.

This dynamic session introduces ProformaVision, a new software program that simultaneously layers and analyzes two camera HD videography with surface electromyography (sEMG) and midi data. This state-of-the-art technology works in conjunction with Yamaha Disklavier™ pianos, Clavinovas and the AvantGrand. For the first time we can look at performers "under a microscope". Body alignment, muscle tension and MIDI measures provide the basis for a comprehensive interdisciplinary analysis of each piano performance.

Kathleen Riley will help you understand why certain body alignment and hand and finger positions are more optimal for students, offer improved practice techniques, and advice on playing painlessly and stress free. You will build an awareness of how to help students use their bodies more efficiently, creating

greater endurance and ease in musical performance.