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## **Press Release**

## Youniverse

Organized by hannes bend

November 3 - December 17, 2016

Opening reception:

Wednesday, November 2: 6-8 pm

including a Magical Laughter gathering by Lisa Levine, connecting beyond language with Malia Kulp (Sounding NYC), MantraTea by La Vonne Natasha Caesar, and music by/with the Geobacteraceae family & Interspecifics Collective

Youniverse is what human life is about – being happy, healthy, and in harmony. It merges insights from ancient and contemporary contemplative practices, art, technology, and science. It is centered around fun, non-judgmental, compassionate, caring, and kind togetherness. This series of inclusive free experiences embraces subjective and collective consciousness. Offered mindfulness services, embodied experiences of oneness, and games become facilitators for social-and self-empowerment, and enactments towards unity and love.

Transformative technologies experienceable weekdays, such as SoundSelf, Philosopharium, neuromore, LIVING INSIGHT, Juno VR, X TH Sense, and others.

## **SATURDAYS - FULL DAY, IN-DEPTH EXPERIENCES**

November 5: Usness | Inter-/Intraspecies communication

November 12: powerfun dancing and dreaming

November 19: trusting the nerves' verses

November 26: me and moon

December 3: Webrations | me and mind in music December 10: alignment, empathy, and embodied

entanglements

December 17: for fun future



Robin Arnott **Debbie Attias** Noah Berman Jessa Blades Heidi Boisvert La Vonne Natasha Caesar Ariel Carson Sarah M. Chappell Kathy Cherry Consciousness Hacking Rebecca Conran Shauna Cummins Dharma Punx Katie Down Leslie García Geobacteraceae family Raquel Griffin Deborah Hanekamp Thiago Hersan Jeff Hinshaw Interspecifics Collective Katrine Knauer Jack Kornfield & M SS NG P ECES & Ari Kuschnir, Ivan Cash, and Jeremy Lubman

Hiko Konami Josh Korda Malia Kulp (Sounding NYC) Volker Lankow Lisa Levine Paloma López Louise Ma Lindsay Mack Jeffery Martin Maria Mishurenko Diana Nahim neuromore Shannon Leigh O'Neill-Loyola Valerie Oula David Rothenberg David Sauvage Igor Shteynberg DJ Spooky Cathy Towle Elizabeth Traina Transformative Technologies **Emmanuel Traveler** UNLIMITED Juno VR Antonia Wright

It seems time to overcome senses of self, territory, and ownership, and to be nonjudgmental, uniting, kind, and loving, finds **hannes bend**. For 'self'-accomplishments: e.g. artist-in-residence at the Quantum Physics Alemán Lab and Institute of Neuroscience at the University of Oregon 2014-16 where he conducted neuroscientific studies on meditation and visual stimuli for the creation of the virtual reality program "mYndful" with heart rate biofeedback for improved mindfulness in everyday lifestyles and refugee camps. International presentations and papers at the Bronx Museum Biennale, NY; Helsinki University; Rice University; Science of Consciousness, University of Arizona; "Best Presentation Award" in panel "Well-Being Computing: Al Meets Health and Happiness Science," AAAI 2016 Spring Symposia, Stanford University.

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