

# Light in Winter 2007 Program

[Friday, January 26](#)

4:00p.m. - 5:00p.m.

## The King of Instruments



*Presbyterian Church*

**Sponsored by Jim and Terry Byrnes**

Mozart called the organ “the King of Instruments”; and no wonder. How does that remarkable sound come out of all those pipes filled with nothing but air? Because they’re all crafted to replicate harmonic structure according to the laws of physics – a true blending of science and art! Join organist George Damp as he takes us on a journey through this grand instrument. Damp received his doctorate from the Eastman School of Music and is currently the organist at the First Presbyterian Church of Ithaca.

5:00p.m. - 7:00p.m.

## Light in Winter-Themed Gallery Shows and Openings

at The Inkshop, State of the Art, Upstairs, and Sola galleries; and CSMA and the Tompkins County Public Library, Downtown Ithaca

8:00p.m.

## Pilobolus Dance Theatre



*State Theatre*

**Sponsored by the Hilton Garden Inn and Hampton Inn**

Billing itself as “the dance company for those who don’t like dance...and those who do,” Pilobolus Dance Theatre uses the laws of physics to defy the laws of gravity. For Light in Winter they’ll be performing Aquatica, The Empty Suitor, Gnomen, Symbiosis, and Day Two, enacting the second day of the creation of the world, from its earliest forms of life to the moment at which creatures of the earth take flight into the air. Set to a soundtrack from Brian Eno and Talking Heads, Day Two captures the awe of evolution and the wonder of existence.

**\*\*Part of the Family Package**

After Pilobolus



## Late Night in Winter

**The Burns Sisters**

*Lost Dog Lounge, 112 South Cayuga Street*

**Sponsored by Bookery I and Bookery II**

[Saturday, January 27th](#)

10a.m. – 12p.m.



## How We Move

*Women's Community Building*

**Sponsored by Nancy and Joe McAfee and Lila Olson**

After an injury physicist Moshe Feldenkrais was faced with the possibility of confinement to a wheelchair. He started exploring relationships between the mind and body, recovered completely, and founded a revolutionary method of movement in the process. Certified Feldenkrais trainer Carol McAmis and a member of Pilobolus Dance Theatre lead us in this unique movement workshop focusing on this remarkable approach.



10:30a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

## The North Pole Was Here

*Statler Auditorium, Cornell University campus*

**Sponsored by Mack and Carol Travis**

In a new book written with the whole family in mind, Andrew Revkin, the global-environment reporter for The New York Times, recounts his recent trip to the North Pole accompanying a rugged team of climate scientists trying to determine what's behind the dramatic warming of the frigid Arctic climate. Revkin shares his thoughts, a film of his travels, and maybe a song or two.

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1:00p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

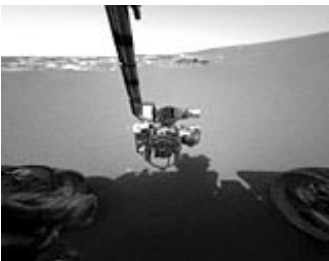
## Warped Passages

*Statler Auditorium, Cornell University campus*

**Sponsored by Sprague and Janowsky, Accountants and the Cornell Department of Physics**

Presenters Lisa Randall & Stephen Andrew Taylor take us on an incredible journey inside the world of quantum physics, where particles too small to imagine violate our expectations. Randall is Professor of Theoretical Physics at Harvard and an expert in string theory, a topic she explores in her book, *Warped Passages*. Taylor is a professor of composition at the University of Illinois who

says, "I was inspired to compose *Seven Microworlds* by learning about string theory... In my piece, the electronics are intended to act as a bridge between the 'real world' of the flute and guitar and these hidden microworlds that permeate us all." With Wendy Mehne and Pablo Cohen.



2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

## Postcards from Mars

*Tompkins County Library- Free family event*

**Sponsored by Wegmans**

Come see some of the latest and greatest images from NASA's Spirit and Opportunity rovers, which have been driving around Mars - the ultimate winter destination - since early 2004. Jim Bell, leader of Cornell's Mars Rover camera team, will share some of his favorite stories and postcards from the Red Planet in this fun, family-oriented journey into our solar system. \*\*Part of the Family Package



3:00p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

## Wine and the Mind

*Statler Auditorium, Cornell University*

**Sponsored by Chemung Canal Trust Bank**

**Wine tasting sponsored by the Cayuga Wine Trail**

**Reception by Aladdin's Natural Eatery**

Think we taste with our mouths and smell with our noses? It may be all in your mind... Join Cornell professor of biochemistry Terry Acree as we learn how the brain processes scents and flavors. Afterwards, sample some of the best wine and food the Finger Lakes has to offer.



8:00p.m.

## Bang on a Can All-Stars with Iva Bittova

*State Theatre*

**Sponsored in part by M&T Bank and Ithaca College Department of Music**

Part classical ensemble, part rock band, and part jazz sextet, the groundbreaking Bang on a Can All-Stars present a concert of music from uncharted territories. Program highlights include Michael Gordon's reflective and ambient "*Light is Calling*," with video by Bill Morrison; jazz giant Don Byron's "*Eugene*," with video presentation of Ernie Kovacs; and a stunning new collaboration with the Czech singer and violinist Iva Bittova, whose haunting performances combine vocal and violin pyrotechnics with theatrical flair on par with performance art icons Laurie Anderson and Meredith Monk.



After Bang on a Can

## Late Night in Winter

**Joe Crookston and friends**

*Lost Dog Lounge, 112 South Cayuga Street*

**Sponsored by Ithaca Bakery**

## Sunday, January 28th

10a.m. - noon

### A morning of free family events



#### **Alive Beneath a Blanket of Snow**

*Cornell Plantations*

**Sponsored by Triad Foundation**

Dress warmly and bring the whole family to learn about the amazing natural phenomena that abound under the protective blankets of snow and soil. Meet Mr. Mole from Judy's Day Underground and see examples of mice, voles and shrews and learn how they stay active all winter. Discover how insects and other creatures have adapted to survive the cold and learn about how changes in our climate and snowfall could have a large effect on life in winter.



#### **"The Science of Snow"**

*Cornell Plantations Building, Judd Falls Road*

**Sponsored by the Cathles family**

The Science of Snow will explore the beautiful world of winter on scales from the infinitesimal to the enormous. See spectacular images of these unique crystalline formations under the microscope, and catch the view from outer space of the interplay between wind and snow and the accumulations they form. Find out how we uncover clues about the past by looking at "ancient snow," and keep your fingers crossed for a white winter as we will be experimenting with this remarkable substance, too!



#### **"Lite in Winter"**

*Cass Park Trailhead*

**Sponsored by Scott and Sue Hamilton**

Join us at 10am at the Cass Park Trailhead for a light-hearted "Whistle While You Walk" tour of the Cayuga Waterfront Trail, led by local dance caller and historian Vikki Armstrong and musician Dave Davies (of Djug Django fame). Join in hum-able songs complemented by tantalizing tidbits of history and other lore along the way, with maybe some kazoos and trombones thrown in for good measure!

If your outdoor exercise runs to faster transport, "Wheel Around the Waterfront" is for those of you travelling on any and all wheeled gadgets, (except autos!), led by Waterfront Trail founder and blader-extraordinaire Rick Manning.

Prizes and warming refreshments await afterwards at the Cass Park Pavilion at 11:30am, where Cornell Cooperative Extension will hand out the awards for the best trail walk culled from submissions received during the regional contest held in December and January. Bundle up and plan on feeling fit as a fiddle by the time we wrap up at noon!

1:30p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

### The Tiger's Ear: Listening to Modern Art

*Statler Auditorium, Cornell University*

**Sponsored by David Kuckuk and Sheila Danko**

Composer, author, educator and performer Bruce Adolphe offers us his musical reaction to the American art movement of the late 1940's and, in particular, six icons among the Abstract Expressionists who based their art on a spirit of revolt and a belief in freedom of expression that defined the modern era. Adolphe's piece is called *The Tiger's Ear*, and references the seminal art magazine of this post-war era called "*The Tiger's Eye*". Adolphe is the Music and Education Advisor



for the Chamber Music Society of Lincoln Center and the comic keyboard quizmaster of NPR's "Piano Puzzlers". Joining him will be Christopher Rothko, the son of the painter Mark Rothko, a classical music critic and the editor of *The Artist's Reality*, a book of his father's philosophical writings. In addition we'll welcome Cornell Art Department Chair Buzz Spector, an artist and critical writer whose work has been shown in countless museums and galleries, and Cynthia Johnston-Turner, an active conductor, festival adjudicator, and clinician, in both the United States and Canada. She conducts members of Ensemble X.



4:30p.m.

## The Birds That Roar

State Theatre

**Sponsored by Tompkins Trust Company**

In our two-part Festival finale, first we'll explore all sounds weird and wonderful with animal communication expert Ron Hoy, musician John Greenly, a brace of clarinetists, a string quartet, and an assortment of birds, spiders, and whales. How do animals use the wavelengths we can't even hear to talk to one another? And how have musicians translated that talk into music, from

Messiaen to Schickele? With Linda Case, William Cowdery, George Myers, Jennifer Myers, and Sera Smolen. In our second half Oscar® winner Gary Rydstrom, sound designer and director at Pixar Studios, will discuss and illustrate his work on the Jurassic Park movies, where he had to imagine how dinosaurs and their world sounded, and how a call from his friend Ron Hoy led him to Cornell's Lab of Ornithology where he found the answers he needed. Rydstrom has received seven Oscars and been nominated 12 times as a sound designer and editor for his work on myriad movies, including *Saving Private Ryan*, *Titanic*, *Finding Nemo*, and *Terminator 2*.

**After the Finale-Free event**

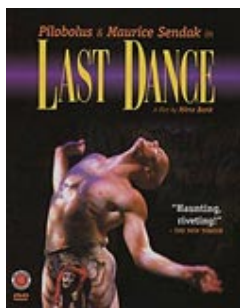
After Party, 7p.m.

**Featuring cellist, Lindsay Mac**

*Felicia's Atomic Cafe, 508 West State St.*

**Sponsored by Felicia's Atomic Lounge and Gimmie! Coffee**

## Cornell Cinema showings for Light in Winter



Wednesday, January 24 at 7:15p.m.

Cornell Cinema presents

**Pilobolus & Maurice Sendak in "Last Dance"** (84 minutes, 2003)

*Willard Straight Theatre; Cornell Campus*

Directed by Mirra Bank

Powerhouse creative forces unite in this the award-winning film. "Last Dance" follows Pilobolus Dance Theater's collaboration with the legendary author & illustrator, Maurice Sendak (*Where the Wild Things Are*) on a dance-theater work that honors a haunting Holocaust legacy. Weaving rehearsal footage, and probing interviews, with chilling Nazi propaganda footage and breathtaking performance, "Last Dance" offers us a unique, profound and thrilling insight into the creative process.



Thursday, January 25 at 7:15p.m.

Cornell Cinema presents

**Lyrical Nitrate: The Films of Bill Morrison**

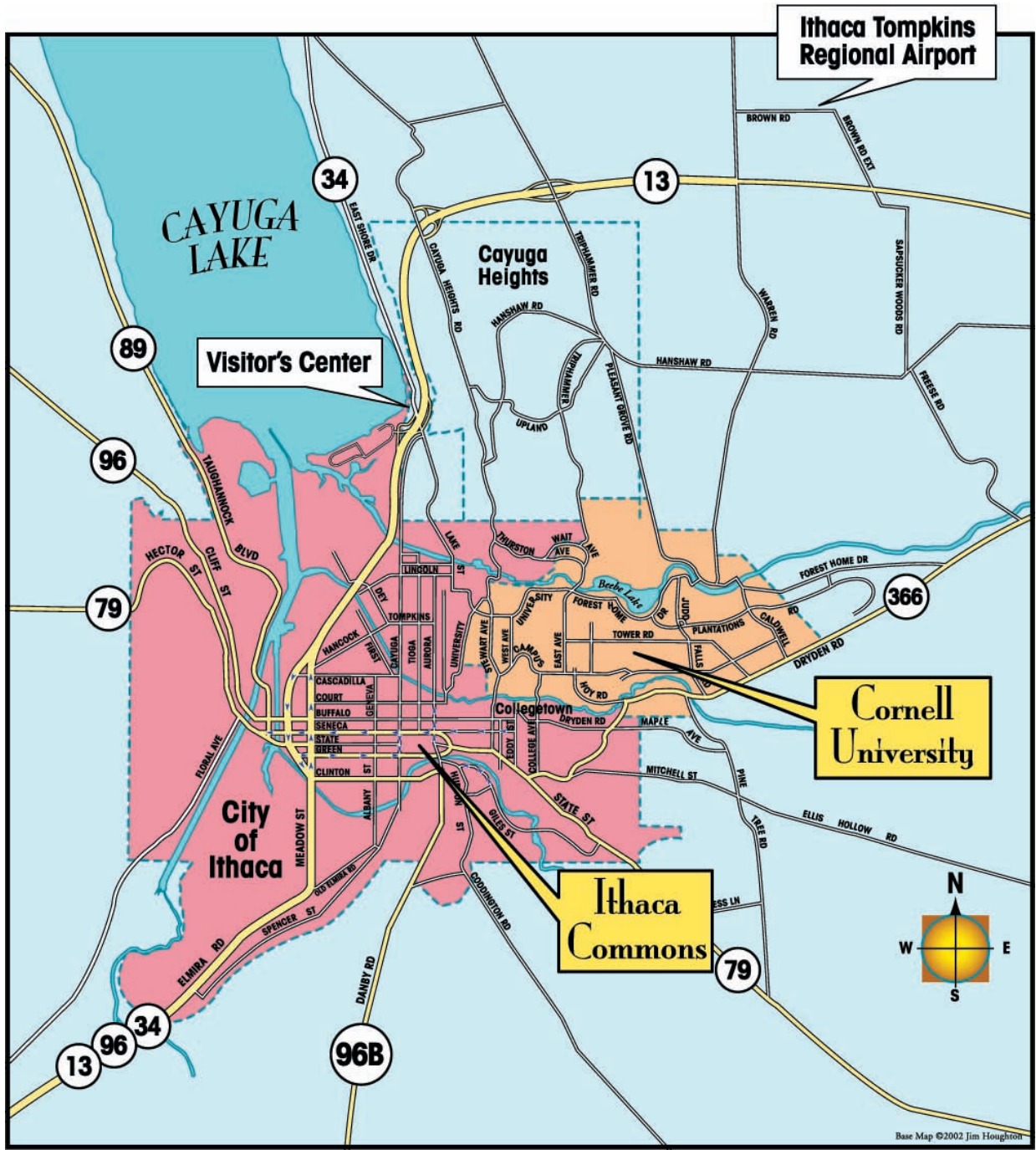
*Willard Straight Theatre; Cornell Campus*

Directed by Bill Morrison

Visionary filmmaker Bill Morrison's best-known collaboration with Bang on a Can co-founder Michael Gordon, "Decasia: The State of Decay", sets decaying archival film footage to an original symphonic score. Another of their collaborations will be presented Saturday night as part of Light in Winter's

Bang on a Can All-Stars event at the State Theatre, but tonight Cornell Cinema will present a program of his other collaborations with the Bang on a Can composers, and other composer/musicians as well.

# Light in Winter 2006 Map & Directions

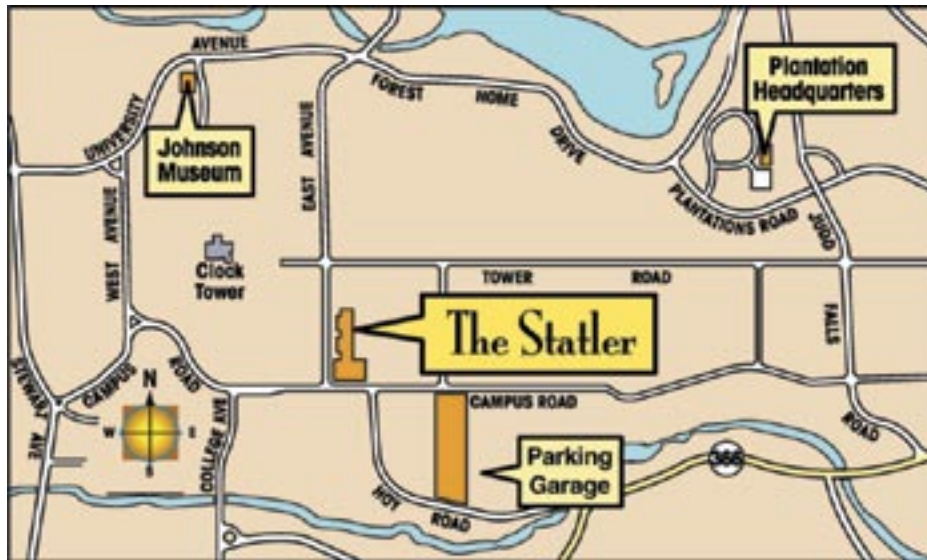


**From Buffalo:** Approximately 3 hours/210 miles. Take NYS Thruway (I-90) east to Exit 41; then take Route 318 east to Route 89 south into Ithaca.

**From Boston:** Approximately 6 hours/370 miles. Take the Mass. Turnpike (I-90) west to I-88W. At Bainbridge take Route 206 west to Whitney Point; then take Route 79 into Ithaca.

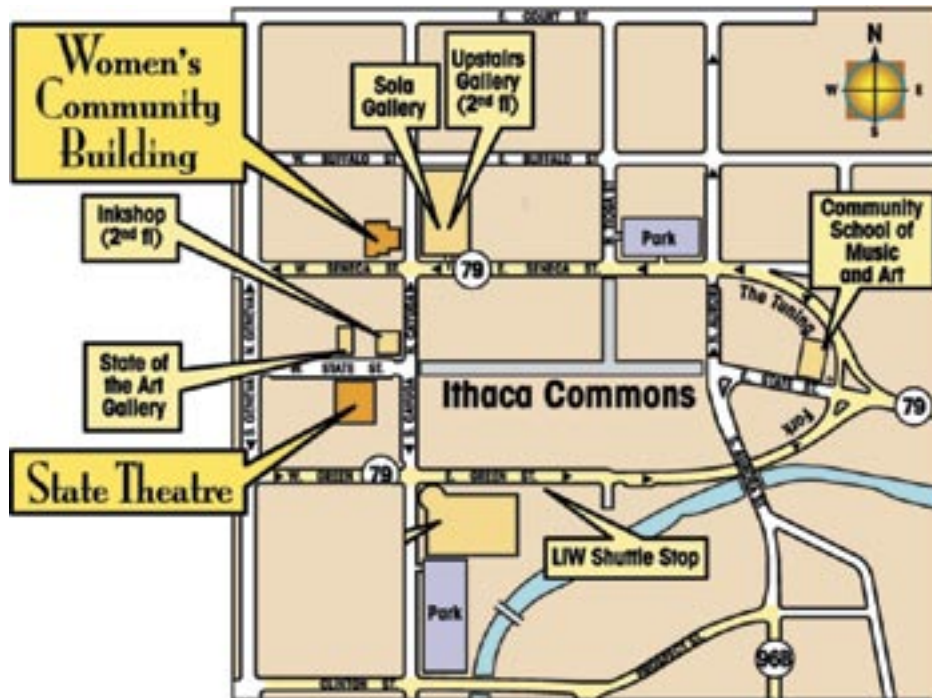
**From Philadelphia:** Approximately 4 hours/250 miles. Take I-276 west to the Northeast Extension or Route 9 north to I-81 north to Exit 8; then follow Route 79 into Ithaca.

**From New York Metro Area:** Approximately 4 hours/240 miles. Take I-80 west to I-380 west, then I-81 north to Exit 8; then Route 79 west into Ithaca. Or take the Palisades Parkway north to Route 6 west to Route 17 west; then take Route I-81 north to Exit 8; then follow Route 79 into Ithaca.



### Statler Auditorium, Cornell University

From downtown follow Buffalo Street east up the hill to the flashing light at Stewart Avenue. Turn LEFT onto Stewart Avenue, continue over the bridge, and turn RIGHT on Campus Road. Continue up Campus Road until you reach East Avenue. The Statler is on the northeast corner of the intersection of Campus Road and East Avenue. To reach the parking garage, continue straight on Campus Road past the Statler. The parking garage is on the RIGHT after the baseball field. The parking garage may also be accessed from Hoy Road.



### Women's Community Building

From Route 13, drive east on Buffalo Street to Cayuga Street. Turn RIGHT onto Cayuga Street and go one block to Seneca Street (one-way street running west). The Women's Community Building is located on the northwest corner of the intersection of Cayuga Street and Seneca Street. A public parking garage is located one block east of the Women's Community Building, with access from Tioga Street (which runs parallel to Cayuga Street) and from Seneca Street.

### State Theatre

The State Theatre is located on State Street in the block west of Cayuga Street, which is at the west end of the Ithaca Commons downtown walking mall. Cayuga Street is a one-way street between Seneca Street and Green Street. From Route 13, drive east on State Street. A public parking garage is located at the intersection of Tioga Street and Seneca Street, with access from Tioga Street (which runs parallel to Cayuga Street) and from Seneca Street (which is a one-way street running west).