

CALL FOR PERFORMERS - PERCUSSIONISTS



The BLOW UP PERCUSSION Ensemble has been invited by RomaEuropa Festival to stage the first Italian performance of "FIELD OF VISION", a composition for a 36-percussionist ensemble written by Michael Gordon.

Because of its spectacular features, its uniqueness, and the immersive sunset performance at Villa Medici, "Field Of Vision" will be one of the highlights of this prestigious festival which has been scheduled for September 2025.

The event will be curated by BLOW UP PERCUSSION,
which is pleased to announce
a CALL FOR PERFORMERS/ PERCUSSIONISTS

Applications are now open to both Italian and foreign percussionists who meet the following criteria:

- The candidate must be 18+.
- The candidate must be a student enrolled in Percussion courses at a Conservatory of Music / University of Music or a graduated percussionist.
- For non-Italian candidates it is essential to have a basic knowledge of Italian and/or English.

Rehearsals and performance will both take place in Rome in the week of the 8th and 14th September 2025.

Applicants will have to register and confirm that they meet the afore-mentioned criteria by sending an email to BLOW UP PERCUSSION (see below).

Kindly be aware that only the first 50 applications will be considered.

Please note that there are no registration fees.

Shortlisted applicants will be required to produce an original VIDEO containing the execution of excerpts from the piece “Field of Vision” by M. Gordon. Further details will be provided once applicant's registration is confirmed.

Shortlisting will take place through the evaluation of the aforementioned VIDEO and applicant's CV.

The VIDEO must be uploaded on YouTube or similar platforms, or sent as a zip file to BLOW UP PERCUSSION. It must contain a live performance of "Field Of Vision" played using a click track. No editing is allowed.

The excerpts can be played on a drum or on a tom-tom either.

The VIDEO can be recorded with a smartphone or a camera; However, a shot capturing the whole figure of the applicant is preferred.

The material required for the application, including application form, CV, copy of ID and link to the video must be sent to blowupromapercussion@gmail.com **no later than 23:59 U.T.C.+1 on 01.02.2025.**

The application outcomes will be communicated by mid February 2024.

Shortlisted candidates will have the opportunity to work and perform alongside the members of BLOW UP PERCUSSION. Furthermore, they will be performing in the Italian premiere of "Field Of Vision" which will be directed by Maestro Tonino Battista. The concert is part of the official program of RomaEuropa Festival's 40th edition.

Successful candidates will be awarded a certificate of participation, valid as an artistic title, which can be used as training credits at a Conservatory Of Music. In addition, the participants will receive a complimentary Blow Up Percussion tote bag, “Blow Up” and “The Smell of Blue Electricity” CDs, as well as a RomaEuropa Festival gift bag.

Participants who are not based in Rome will be provided with information regarding suitable accommodation and food facilities for their stay. Please note that there will be no reimbursement of any kind.

Roma, 10/10/2024

APPLICATION FORM

Name :

Surname :

Date of Birth :

Nationality :

Address :

Postal Code :

Profession :

Email :

Cellular :

Link for the Video Audition :

Date and Place __/__/____

Signature