

# BLACK SEA HOTEL



**Presents:**

## *A Multilingual Musical Infusion of Eastern European Ideas and Melodies*

w/ Special Guests

**Luminescent Orchestrïi Trio, Main Squeeze Orchestra Quintet, and Hydra**

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*Tradition can blow your mind.*

*Ask any rural Balkan singer: Dissonant harmonies slice with stridency, chords biting like teeth on metal strings like the fuzz of feedback.*

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**Black Sea Hotel** roars with this deeply rooted power. Dubbed the “**punk rock version of *Le Mystère des Voix Bulgares***” (*NY Music Daily*), they are well known for their outrageous vocal sonorities, yet can move audiences to tears with their lyricism. This tenderness and wildness flow from age-old songs meant to chronicle and seduce, to flirt and to calm. Joining the sirens **Wednesday, September 3rd** are the jagged-gentle fiddlers of **Luminescent Orchestrïi Trio** (teamed up with **Kyle Sanna**), the accordion-wielding babes of **Main Squeeze Orchestra Quintet**, and the tongue-speaking trio **Hydra**. **Joe’s Pub**, nexus of the downtown club scene, hosts this electrifying night at **9:30pm (doors at 9pm)**. The box office is located just inside the **Public Theater** entrance at **425 Lafayette Ave**. **Tickets** are **\$15 pre-sale, \$20 at the door**.

### **The Evening’s Line Up:**



At once dissonant and driving, lyrical and ethereal, **Black Sea Hotel** draws from traditional Balkan folk melodies, generating gutsy, electrifying arrangements that range from **ethereal, lilting and achingly beautiful to strident, tightly discordant, and unpredictable**. Visceral yet sophisticated, the **Brooklyn a cappella trio** interweaves the **ancient and the contemporary** in a harmonic blend that has been called otherworldly, haunting, even spellbinding. Members are Willa Roberts, Sarah Small, and Shelley Thomas.

**Main Squeeze Orchestra Quintet** is New York City's all-female all-squeezebox fantasy brought to life by the “Hugh Hefner of the accordion world,” Walter Kuhr. From bar mitzvahs to burlesque shows, the band defies nerdy stereotypes of accordion music with a diverse repertoire that ranges from **Madonna to Mussorgsky and from Kurt Weill to... Girls Gone Weill!** Members include Josephine Decker, Rene Fan, Denise Koncelik, Rachel Swaner, and Elaine Yau.



**Rima Fand and Sarah Alden**, the twin fiddlers of the **Luminescent Orchestrii**, are united by a love of musical invention inspired by **Balkan, Romani, and Appalachian folk traditions**. Together they've recorded with the Grammy-winning **Carolina Chocolate Drops** and toured internationally since 2002. The ladies team up with **Kyle Sanna**, who has performed alongside many of today's virtuosos: **Yo-Yo Ma, Edgar Meyer, Chris Thile, Mark Gould, Theodosii Spassov**. As a composer, Kyle Sanna has received commissions from Beta Collide, **Brooklyn Rider, The Knights**, and flutist **Alex Sopp**. Together, this trio will play

original compositions and songs featuring violin, viola, guitar, and voice. Performers this evening are Rima Fand, Sarah Alden, and Kyle Sanna.

**Hydra** is Brooklyn's newest vocal creature. She sings for you... to us... as one, or three, and **speaks seven languages** – English, Albanian, Spanish, Macedonian, Bulgarian, Russian, and **HydraTongue**. As three who **wear their whitest dress**, or red, they bask in dark, thick harmony and learn new **linguistic and locomotive tricks** every day. Hydra is Yula Be'eri, Rima Fand, and Sarah Small.



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**This will be a night of fierce musical power filled with shape-shifting sounds ranging from punk to baroque, trance to folk, and ancient to avant-garde.**

*“[Black Sea Hotel’s] painstakingly researched and innovative arrangements of traditional Balkan folk songs are performed with a refined emotion that hits with the magnetic pull of rock-bound sirens. Just tie me to the mast now...”* - Paul Schomer (Producer, *National Public Radio*)

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