



Santa Barbara
CONTEMPORARY ARTS FORUM

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Forum Lounge: Christine Marie, *Multiplying Spectacles*

Thursday, February 2, 7 pm Santa Barbara Contemporary Arts Forum **ADMISSION IS FREE**

Christine Marie spotlights mirrors with a groundbreaking video and shadow performance at CAF.



Images: Christine Marie, *Multiplying Spectacles*, 2011, Shadow theater performance, Courtesy the Artist. Photo: Steve Gunther

Based on the history of mirrors, Christine Marie's mesmerizing, reflective performance, *Multiplying Spectacles*, turns CAF into a large-scale, projected, shadow theater. Informed by ancient art forms and metaphysical light inquiries, Marie's work is characterized by images that encourage flights beyond the rational, where historic figures, dream sequences, and the present meld with thought processes and memory. A live score, video effects, and 3D stereoscopic shadows are the building blocks for her upcoming performance.

San Francisco-based, integrated media artist, director, designer, and teacher, Christine Marie received her M.F.A. from The California Institute of the Arts, San Francisco, CA and studied Wayang Kulit, an Indonesian theatre style that employs light and shadow, in Bali, Indonesia. A former company member of Shadow Light Productions, San Francisco, CA, Marie is pioneering the use of 3D shadows in immersive environments and will be presenting at TED Long Beach, Long Beach, CA as a 2012 TED Fellow.

About the Forum Lounge Series: **Forum Lounge** is a series of free, unique, performance-based events, ranging from the theatrical to the avant-garde that are normally found only in large metropolitan venues, and that reflect CAF's mission to sustain and encourage the artistic process by presenting art in the form of exceptional music, dance, video, and other multi-media to our community.

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About the Santa Barbara Contemporary Arts Forum (CAF): CAF is a non-profit, non-collecting alternative art space dedicated to the exhibition, education, and cultivation of the arts of our time. Celebrating its 36th anniversary in 2012, CAF is the premier venue for contemporary art between Los Angeles and San Francisco. CAF is located at the Paseo Nuevo Mall Upper Arts Terrace in downtown Santa Barbara, CA.

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