Oberline's Bonne Action plays free concert at UB

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BUFFALO – The Oberlin Conservatory's contemporary ensemble Bonne Action will perform a free concert at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday in the State University at Buffalo's Baird Recital Hall.

Bonne Action is a group of performers from Oberlin Conservatory who devote the majority of their time and energy to the performance of contemporary music. Each player has, in the context of the music they play or the music they play and write, placed an emphasis on the musical present in their lives and attitudes toward the world. Bonne Action finds it's name and association in the performing the good (and therefore essential) task of presenting music that changes the musical and social environment; that assumes the audience is not merely admirers of works or those who perform them but, rather, active participants in the experience of music; equal in all respects to composer and performer, and just as necessary. We believe that this exchange relation represents an excellent model not only for the experience of art but for socio-political organization as well. Bonne Action is about music and community.

Performers include: Laura Cocks, flute; Theophilus Chandler, clarinets; Holly Jenkins, violin; Carrie Frey, viola; Dylan Messina, cello; Daniel Walden, piano; and Christian Smith, percussion.

The program will feature Rolf Riehm's "Fioretti within my bosom" (2000), Reiko Füting, "tanz.tanz" (2010) and "Kaddish" (2008); Lewis Nielson, "String Trio" (1981) and "Iskra" (2006) and Jason Eckardt, "Rendition" (2006).