

# WHAT'S IN



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THE KITCHEN 25th ANNIVERSARY SEASON

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## COOCOOHANDLER

### The Myth of Cosmogonia

November 20-23 [Thu-Sun] 8 PM \$12

#### *Post-Freudian Jazz-Punk Cabaret*

The Beatles meet Sun Ra in a warped version of Ben Hur. Throw in a twist of Zappa, a touch of Gustav Mahler, and a smattering of free form jazz; wrap it up in cardboard and plastic: you have only begun to describe **The Myth of Cosmogonia**—a musical and theatrical extravaganza by COOCOOHANDLER and presented at The Kitchen for its 25th Anniversary season.

COOCOOHANDLER is a performance orchestra whose own brand of post-freudian jazz-Punk Cabaret ranges freely between contemporary chamber music and Freak show. Drawing from backgrounds in music, painting, set design/installation, theater and performance, COOCOOHANDLER spins phantasmagorical tales with a dizzying sense of humour. Its latest offering, **The Myth of Cosmogonia**, is a dadaist vision of Joycean dimension, celebrating the cycles of rejuvenation and destruction. Created by the COOCOOS (Paul Braucher, Tom Burnett, Matt Hausman, and David Yearwood), it features Minstrel Dale (Dale Goodson), the Wasp (Zero Boy), the Worm (Rani Saha), the Ocean Mother (Catherine Sand), the Armed Responses (John Theis and Kevin Scott), and the Moth (Jay Rhoderick), along with special guests, Elliott Levin on sax and Michael Leonhart on trumpet.

The Myth of Cosmogonia is part of Tones and Textures, a series presented by The Kitchen, Composers' Forum, Harvestworks, and the !EAR Studios at RPI.

The Kitchen is located at 512 West 19th Street, between 10th and 11th Avenues. Tickets are \$12. For more information or to reserve press comps, please call 212.255.5793.

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