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Travelon Gamelon: Performance for Amplified Bicycles April 19, 2008

Promenade begins at MAM: 10:30am

Concert begins at Bonner Park: 12:00 noon

MAM is proud to present *Travelon Gamelon: Performance for Amplified Bicycles*, April 19, 2008, a soundwork performance by artist Richard Lerman. The piece uses the sounds from amplified bicycles and this is similar to the sound of the SE Gamelan orchestra prevalent in Indonesia. The event helps to kick-off Missoula's Bike Walk Week at the Festival of Cycles, celebrates Bernice's Bakery's 30th Anniversary, and ties together MAM and the Historic Museum at Fort Missoula, underscoring some important Missoula history, namely the 25th Infantry Bicycle Corps.

Travelon Gamelon is an event involving amplified bicycles, accompanied by other riders, forming a Promenade at 10:30am from MAM on a winding route to Bonner Park, stopping at Bernice's Bakery en route. When the Promenade reaches Bonner Park, a performance of the Concert version of the *Travelon Gamelon*, for three amplified bicycles will begin at noon.

MAM is seeking 20 bicycles and their riders to lead the *Travelon Gamelon* Promenade.

MAM is seeking six music students to perform the *Travelon Gamelon* Concert. There is a score for the piece and it is fairly hard to play. It will require a minimum of two rehearsals on April 14 and 16, and a third on April 18 or the morning of the 19th if necessary. Rehearsals will take place at MAM. Percussionists are ideally suited to this music but interested musicians with other musical training and an avid interest in participating are welcome!

Interested participants please visit Richard Lerman's web site at www.sonicjourneys.com/

The event is co-sponsored by Adventure Cycling Association, Bernice's Bakery, Bike Walk Alliance for Missoula, Free Cycles Missoula, Historic Museum at Fort Missoula, and the Phoenix Office of Arts and Culture.

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