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Salon d'Amour performance in Kanazawa, Japan, 2024, Photo: Nik van der Giesen

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Margret Wibmer

Fri./Sat. Aug. 8th & 9th (7:30pm ET)
Birdsong Community Garden Gallery
Link for Tickets Below

SALON D'AMOUR

by MARGRET WIBMER

A deeply moving and immersive performance that engages the public as participants to reimagine love as a force of transformation

Salon d'Amour invites participants to experience a simultaneity of spaces and narratives through voiced readings and intimate listening. Participants don unique masks created by the artist, which serve as conduits to other worlds. Love letters from writers & artists: *James Baldwin, Frida Kahlo, John Cage, Ursula K. Le Guin, Mohamedou Ould Slahi, Marianna Maruyama, Ingeborg Bachmann, Banana Yoshimoto* and others will be read aloud.

Rooted in Wibmer's ongoing research into socially engaged art, ecology, and transcultural identity, *Salon d'Amour* asks: how can humans and non-humans navigate shared realms of reciprocity, cooperation, and collaboration?

Recently presented at The Merchant House in Amsterdam, this new edition—staged as a filmic set created especially for Birdsong in collaboration with ICAI—invites participants into a space of intimacy, anonymity, and exchange. Through collective engagement, participation, and a soundscape developed with composer Robert Poss, *Salon d'Amour* becomes a poetic ritual—reclaiming a pause in time and evoking a sensual, layered experience of love's vulnerability, connection, intimacy, distance, abjection, and beauty.

Salon D'Amour North American Premiere

Dates: Fri./Sat. Aug. 8th & 9th, 2025

Time: 7:30pm ET

Location: Birdsong Community Garden Gallery, 38718 NY-10, Hamden, NY 13782

LIMITED SPACE

To reserve your place please make a \$20 donation that will go towards the artist:

Tickets www.studioicai.org or RSVP john@studioicai.org and pay at the door.

You can find more info about Salon d'Amour on Margret's website:

<https://margretwibmer.eu/performances/salon-damour/>

And in the recent video document of Salon d'Amour at The Merchant House Amsterdam, Netherlands. (July 4th and 5th 2025) by Anastasia Nefedova

<https://vimeo.com/1101204318>

Margret Wibmer is an internationally renowned visual and performance artist based in Amsterdam, The Netherlands. Her work explores the dynamic interplay between bodies, objects, and spaces. After formative years in New York City assisting minimalist artist Sol Lewitt alongside Kazuko Miyamoto, she developed a multidisciplinary practice spanning sculpture, video, photography, and participatory performance. www.margretwibmer.eu

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