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**Yellow Barn Music Haul**

**“Music No Boundaries: New York City”**

**May 24-June 1, 2017**

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Yellow Barn Music Haul is on her way to New York City.

The first traveling stage of its kind, Music Haul is the brainchild of Yellow Barn, an international center for chamber music based in Vermont that generates an international troupe of faculty, alumni, and ensembles.

From May 24 to June 1, Yellow Barn Music Haul brings “Music No Boundaries” to New York City for 10 days of sidewalk, plaza, and neighborhood performances in Manhattan, Brooklyn, Queens, and the Bronx. 19 locations are on the map, ranging from PS21 and Bathgate Community Garden, to Carnegie Hall and Times Square.

More than 70 Yellow Barn musicians are donating their performances for the upcoming tour. Artistic Director Seth Knopp’s programming includes: a day dedicated to Bach’s cello suites and a Memorial Day performance of “Musicians Indivisible: Protest Mix Tape” with Broadway musicians; the Juilliard and Brentano String Quartets performing Beethoven, Bartók, and Mozart; the JACK Quartet and Sandbox Percussion; spoken word performances and Carnegie Hall’s Ensemble Connect; and even a new work inspired by Dick van Dyke’s one-man-band.

“Beyond fact or fiction, music is one artist’s truth. The wonder is that when we listen, that truth, just a moment ago unimagined, becomes our own and deepens what we know of ourselves,” says Knopp. “Yellow Barn Music Haul realizes music’s fundamental purpose, and inherent ability, to communicate in ways that defy definition and move us without explanation.”

Traveling from a small town to a city of neighborhoods, Yellow Barn Music Haul has made friends throughout NYC. Partners like Battery Park City, Carnegie Hall, Friends of Dag Hammarskjöld Plaza, Music For Food, National Sawdust, Neighborhood Plaza Partnership, New York City Relief, Smorgasburg Saturday, Sugar Hill Museum for Art and Storytelling, Symphony Space, and Union Square Conservancy are banding together to make this tour possible.

As news spreads of Music Haul’s arrival, more partners and musicians are joining Yellow Barn’s mission. “Like all street performers, Music Haul and her musicians make the most of an environment conducive to personal conversation, musical and otherwise, that happens on common ground,” says Executive Director Catherine Stephan. “By giving people the shared experience of listening to chamber music on a street corner, Music Haul opens up the unique possibilities of what music can do to unite us.”

TOUR SCHEDULE AND MUSICIANS TO DATE: [www.yellowbarn.org](http://www.yellowbarn.org)