

**PRESS RELEASE**

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**Thingamajigs presents  
AEOLIAN DAY 2015  
Celebrate the sound of the wind  
on Sunday, May 31**

**Oakland, CA –April 1, 2015.** Thingamajigs is proud to present the second edition of **Aeolian Day** - a free community festival where artists, musicians, designers, engineers, children, educators and sound makers come together to celebrate the sound of the wind. This year, a breezy lawn in **Jack London Square**, Oakland will stage sound instruments played by the wind, on **Sunday, May 31 between 11am and 4pm.**

The event fosters creative collaboration of art, music and science through an exhibition of innovative sound sculptures. This year's exhibits will unveil an Aeolian Harp among other wind-played instruments. In the diverse mix of presenters for 2015, is a cosmologist, a computer vision researcher, an engineer, renowned composers, sculptors and many installation artists who re-purpose found objects to build instruments.

Similar to last year, 4 artists will collaborate with school children from Welcome to Bridges Academy, La Escuelita Elementary, Zion Lutheran Church & School, and North Oakland Community Charter School; to create wind-based instruments.

During the event, visitors will experience the sound of the wind as the sea-breeze plays the instruments, amidst a colorful community gathering for the weekly Farmer's Market. There will be direction signs throughout the venue to guide attendees to the display lawn. There will also be many food stalls and other eateries to help guests enjoy the event thoroughly. Artists will be present to explain their models and Thingamajigs will also have its personnel to assist.

For more information: <http://www.thingamajigs.org/aeolianday>

**About THINGAMAJIGS**

Thingamajigs is a genre-crossing arts organization that promotes, presents and performs music created with made and found materials or alternate tuning systems. The organization places music making and instrument building programs in under-served communities, from East Oakland's Citizens School to the Second Start Adult Literacy Program in West Oakland. The organization is committed to lowering barriers to access by offering free events to all, choosing partnerships that are committed to letting all people hear, learn about, and participate in the "do it yourself" music movement.

For more information, please visit <http://thingamajigs.org/about.html>

**Calendar editors, please file under Festival, Concert Event or/and Family Event**

**Host : Thingamajigs**

**Event : Aeolian Day: Celebrate the Sound of the Wind**

**Venue : Jack London Square**

**Embarcadero West, Oakland, CA 94607**

**Date : May 31st, 2015; 11am-4pm**

**Admission : Free**

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