DAYTON ART INSTITUTE VECTREN JAZZ & BEYOND SERIES
FEATURES FAREED HAQUE’S MATHGAMES! ON OCT. 4

(DAYTON, OHIO) – September 26, 2012 – The Dayton Art Institute’s Vectren Jazz & Beyond series features the return of world-renowned guitar virtuoso Fareed Haque, with his new band MathGames!, on Thursday, October 4.

Haque opened the 2012 series in March with a dazzling acoustic set. He returns in October with something every bit as dazzling but decidedly different: according to the band’s manifesto, Haque and MathGames! recently returned from interstellar pan dimensional time travel to bring “jazztronica” to earth.

By infusing a musical equation that mixes genres, tempos, melodies and abnormal beats, MathGames! takes listeners on an innovative musical adventure. Band members Alex Austin (Bass) and Greg Fundis (Drums) provide a funky musical backbone, as new member Jesse Clayton (Keys and Electronics) submerges the audience in a futuristic groove. Together the band transforms light into sound and takes everyone in the crowd deep into space. While traveling dimensions, Haque powerfully moves sound in undefined ways by switching styles with his multiple guitars, including the mesmerizing Moog guitar.

Together, MathGames! breaks down music at fundamental levels and smoothly rearranges it into something new. The band blends funky jazz and modern instrumentation – along with a dazzling light show – for an out-of-this-world performance.

Steeped in classical and jazz traditions, Fareed Haque’s unique command of the guitar and different musical styles inspire his musical ventures with tradition and fearless innovation. In 2009, the readers of Guitar Player magazine voted Haque Best World Guitarist in its Readers’ Choice Awards.

Born to a Pakistani father and Chilean mother, Haque’s extensive travels, especially long stays in Spain, France, Iran, Pakistan and Chile, exposed him to different musical styles from a very early age. This natural eclecticism has become the hallmark of his music. Haque can perform in a variety of settings and ensembles, from Jazz Funk Jam super band to stripped-down ethnic ensembles or with local chamber
orchestras or symphonies. Haque has been described as a renaissance man on the guitar, playing all styles, from Classical to Spanish to Indian classical to American Jazz and Funk.

For more about Fareed Haque and MathGames!, including performance videos, visit his website, at www.fareed.com.

The Dayton Art Institute’s Vectren Jazz & Beyond series offers a mix of familiar faces and new surprises. The series features concerts on select Thursdays, from March – June and August – November (no concert in July). The 2012 series concludes on **November 8** with Dayton favorites **Puzzle of Light**.

All Vectren Jazz & Beyond performances begin at 5:30 p.m. in The Dayton Art Institute’s Shaw Gothic Cloister. **Admission is FREE for museum members and just $8 for non-members.** General admission tickets to the Vectren Jazz & Beyond series may be purchased at The Dayton Art Institute the night of each performance. A cash bar is available for food and drinks.

For more information about this and other programs at The Dayton Art Institute, please visit www.daytonartinstitute.org or call the museum at 937-223-5277. Be sure to also connect with The Dayton Art Institute on Facebook and Twitter for additional information and exclusive offers.

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