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**MERIDIAN PROJECT CONTINUES MULTIMEDIA PERFORMANCE AND LECTURE SERIES  
INSPIRED BY ASTROPHYSICS AND COSMOLOGY**

An evening of performances under the stars at Frosty Drew Nature Center and Observatory  
at Ninigret Park

**May 13, 2014 / Providence, RI** — Meridian Project is pleased to announce the continuation of its multimedia performance series with *COMETS & METEOR SHOWERS*, an evening under the stars at Frosty Drew Nature Center and Observatory at Ninigret Park, 61 Park Lane, Charlestown, RI. The performance begins at 9 pm on Friday, May 23, and music will continue until the early morning, coinciding with an anticipated meteor shower of fragments of the comet LINEAR as it passes Earth. Performances will include new music and video created and performed by Meridian Project members Caroline Doherty, Joshua Lantzy, Jacob Richman, Jamie Topper, and Kirsten Volness, along with special guest performers. Meridian Project will also present a special encore performance of *DARK MATTER*.

Public stargazing begins at 6 pm with safe viewing of the sun; at 8:30, astronomer Scott MacNeill will direct the telescope toward the night sky to see views of the moon, dazzling planets, bright stars, speckled star clusters, mesmerizing nebulae, and vast galaxies. Attendees are invited to bring their own chairs, blankets, acoustic instrument or voice and take part in a midnight community jam session. A \$5 suggested donation will support the artists. Further details are available at [www.meridian-project.com](http://www.meridian-project.com). These performances are made possible in part by a grant from the Rhode Island State Council on the Arts, through an appropriation by the Rhode Island General Assembly and a grant from the National Endowment for the Arts.

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**CALENDAR LISTING:**

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