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Precision and anarchy, rigor and bedlam: Sō Percussion Bring Gun Show and More to Wisconsin Union Theater

The spunky, upbeat and innovative percussionists of Sō Percussion are making their way with rhythm to the Wisconsin Union Theater. The group will perform Saturday, November 7, 2015 at 8:00 p.m. in Shannon Hall. Tickets can be purchased online, by visiting the Campus Arts Ticketing box office or by calling (608) 265-ARTS. Ticket prices are $37.50 and $27.50 for the general public. Union Members and Non University of Wisconsin-Madison student tickets are $33.50 and $27.50. UW-Madison Faculty and Staff may purchase tickets for $35.50 and $27.50. UW-Madison student tickets with a valid ID are $10.

Sō Percussion will perform Music for Pieces of Wood by Steve Reich, Music for Wood and Strings by Bryce Dessner and a self-composed work in progress, A Gun Show, in which they play on disassembled parts from AK-47's, creating beautiful music from a symbol of violence and death.
The group has released 16 albums in more than a decade of music creation. They have offered countless educational programs in tour locations around the world.

Their exciting, modern music began at the Yale School of Music. Since then, they have commissioned great American composers to join the quest to build a new repertoire of percussion music. The result is amazing. To wit, Sō Percussion has performed in Carnegie Hall and Lincoln Center as well as Bonnaroo this past summer. Their style has been described as “an exhilarating blend of precision and anarchy, rigor and bedlam,” by The New Yorker. Surely this is the case, since the group has won the American Music Center Trailblazer Award in 2011 and the Chamber Music America/ASCAP Award for Adventurous Programming most recently in 2010.

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