ZAK ARGABRITE | Artist+Composer+Performer | CV/Artistic Resumé

(rev.06/18/25)

SELECT PERFORMANCES/WORKS:

2025 Album: Solo Baritone Saxophone >(upcoming) release on lathe-cut vinyl Album: Baritone Saxophone with Ivan Mršić (percussion) >(upcoming) release on audiocassette Performance: Tenor Saxophone, Clarinet with Scott Boice >(upcoming) Louisville KY, USA Performance: Baritone Saxophone, Bass Clarinet, Clarinet with Anna Fält, Rob Thorne, Erika Grant >At Pyramid Club 31 January 2024 Abandoned Space for prepared solo clarinet, corrugated pipe, speaker, mp3 player and field recordings >for the release of BLOT Issue 4: Space/s alongside Rachel Shearer at the Auckland Old Folks Association, 17 December Performance: Tenor Saxophone, Bass Clarinet, Prepared Clarinet, No-input audio mixerboard >Solo performance at Audio Foundation, Auckland NZ, 8 June Performance: Baritone Saxophone, Bass Clarinet, Prepared Clarinet, No-input audio mixerboard >At Pyramid Club 1 June, alongside acts by Deaf Edge, Ritual Heaps 2023 Performance: Baritone Saxophone, Tenor Saxophone, Bass Clarinet with hara, Zosha Warpeha >At Pyramid Club, 13 December Performance: Tenor Saxophone, Clarinet, Bass Clarinet, Circuitbent keyboards with Lea Bertucci >At Pyramid Club, 3 June SPIN for site-specific mechanical sound installation in collaboration with Daniel Beban, Isaac Smith >Commissioned by the Wellington Cable Car Museum. Exhibition ran 1-23 October Performance: Tenor Saxophone, Clarinet, Bass Clarinet with Chris Prosser, Andy Wright, Isaac Smith >At Pyramid Club, 23 September 2022 Performance: Tenor Saxophone, Clarinet, Bass Clarinet with Bridget Kelly >At Pyramid Club alongside Cave Circles and Meep Sign, 16 December Performance: Circuit-bent keyboards, audiocassette player, audio

mixer with Neil Feather, Mikel Durel, Steve Roche

>At Pyramid Club, 23 July Ores solo circuit-bending performance >At Ars Electronica Garden Aotearoa at Meow, Wellington NZ Performance: Tenor Saxophone with CUZZIN\$ >At Enjoy Gallery for exhibition Ko Wai A Māpihi? This Is Not Water by Cae Te Wheoro Heke and Nick Denton Performance: Tenor Saxophone, Bass Clarinet for Tapestry with Glen Downie and the SMP Ensemble >Premiered at Pyramid Club, 24 May Performance: Tenor Saxophone, Bass Clarinet with CUZZIN\$ >For Pyramid Club's Quarry Concerts #2 Custom Handmade Electronics >Commissioned by Celeste Oram for Yunge Eylands Varpcast Netwerkið an experimental Radio Opera >Premiered by Ensemble Adaptor, Ultraschall Festival, Radialsystem, Berlin 2021 **PACKETSPHERE** web art work >Made in collaboration with Becky Brown for BROWSER Festival 2021 5 Episodes for solo audiovisual circuit-bending performer >Premiered at Adam Concert Hall, Wellington NZ Performance: solo audiovisual circuit-bending >At Victoria University of Wellington Technology Conference Performance: video circuit-bending with local DJ sets >For MALPRACTICE (from PRACTICE series) at Valhalla, Wellington NZ 2020 Performance: video circuit-bending with local DJ sets >For PRACTICE series, at Valhalla, Wellington, NZ Dissassembly Docier instructional video circuit-bending zine >self-published Heavy Metals on Fire audio-visual work >Broadcast virtually as part of *eW-TV* e-Waste Television (eW-TV) online broadcast series of live solo and collaborative audiovisual circuit-bending performances and composed works >Broadcasts from Nov 2020-Mar 2021 **objects** audiovisual work >In collaboration with InfraSound Ensemble Dirt fixed media for radio broadcast >Premiered as part of Audio Foundation's Works for Waves series Debris Cloud for Chamber Orchestra

>Commissioned by Orchestra Enigmatic, premiered at 21C Gallery, Louisville KY USA

2019 **Soil** for solo performer and electronics

>Premiered by Zak Argabrite, Pyramid Club Wellington NZ

Itchy for 2 performers and mp3 players

>Commissioned by panSonus

>World premiere: Pyramid Club Wellington NZ

>Australia premiere: University of Melbourne

>US premiere: St. John's in the Village, New York NY **TOCAR** revised version for installation, performer, any flat surface and live video

>Revised version premiered at Manhattan School of Music 2018 [UNTITLED] 2018 for solo trombone

> >Written for William Lang of Loadbang, played at Manhattan School of Music, April 2018

AGENT/OBJECT/PLACE/USE for orchestra

>Premiered by Manhattan School of Music Composers Orchestra (conductor George Manahan) in February 2018 at Riverside Church.

2017 Performance: Bass Clarinet, Banjo, Toy Piano, Amplified Spring with the Elijah Shiffer Big Band werkeFalse for solo C Flute, performer with amplified ears and

amplified table

>Premiered by Leia Slosberg at Manhattan School of Music, April 2017

[UNTITLED] 2016 revised version for Cello, installation and electronic performer

>Premiered by Thea Mesirow at Manhattan School of Music, April 2017

2016 [UNTITLED] 2016 for viola, installation and electronic performer >Premiered by Anna Heflin and Zak Argabrite at San Francisco Conservatory in December, 2016.

nest for piano trio and score-sculpture

>Premiered by Longleash Piano Trio at University of Louisville.

nest for site specific sound installation

>Designed for the grounds of the Loretto Motherhouse in Loretto, KY.

MOTHLIGHT for 1 or more prepared cello(s) and projected video >Premiered by Kevin McFarland and Thea Mesirow at New Music on the Point in June, 2016.

untitled for Bearing Straight (2 Saxophonists, Bass and Drum Set)
and Big Band

>Premiered by Bearing Straight and members of the Zak Argabrite Big Band at Manhattan School of Music, May 2016. . , for orchestra >Reading session with the Manhattan School of Music Composers Orchestra (conductor David Gilbert) in February 2016. TOCAR for percussionist, any flat surface and live video projection >Premiered by Nick Sakakeeny, revised version for installation (2019) 2015 to growth inside leaving, for two toy pianos and beginner viola >Commissioned by Wind-Up Elephant duo at The Juilliard School, December 2015. >Performed at Vox Populi Gallery, NYC 2017. >Performed at the Florida International Toy Piano Festival, Tampa, FL, USA 2017. Hum With for baritone voice, bass clarinet, Bb trumpet and tenor trombone >Premiered by loadbang ensemble at OPERA America, The National Opera Center, in April, 2017. Hillbilly for orchestra >Reading session with the Manhattan School of Music Composers Orchestra (conductor David Gilbert) in February 2015. How To Read Houses for Big Band >Premiered by Manhattan School of Music Jazz Composers Big Band in February 2016. 2014 Lucas X Leaves for Big Band >Premiered by Zak Argabrite Big Band eyes in ease for improvisor's tentet >Premiered by Zak Argabrite Big Band Tunnels for improvisor's octet >Premiered by Zak Argabrite Big Band Cello Miniatures no. I-III for Cello and Cellist >Recorded and Filmed by cellist John Popham in December 2015, >Premiered by Kevin McFarland at New Music on the Point in June, 2016.

FESTIVALS, CONFERENCES, SEMINARS:

P-LAB - Circuit Bending: Arts & Crafts with Wasted Electronics
>Wellington, NZ (14 Oct 2023) - Organizer/Presenter

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Te Ateanui Taonga pūoro Wānanga
     >Aotearoa New Zealand (2022) - Participant
New Interfaces for Musical Expression Conference
     >International/Online/New Zealand (2022) - Author/Speaker
Ars Electronica Garden Aotearoa
     >New Zealand (2022) - Artist
Ars Electronica
     >International/Online (2021) - Artist
Australasian Computer Music Conference
     >Melbourne, Australia (2021) - Artist/Author/Speaker
Browser Festival
     >International/Online/Germany (2021) - Artist
RezBaz
     >International/Online/Wellington, New Zealand (2020) - Performer/
      Presentor
Experimental Media and Performing Arts Center Spatial Audio Summer
Seminar
     >Troy, NY (2019) - Participant
Internationales Musikinstitut
     >Darmstadt, Hessen, Germany (2018) - Auditor
Loretto Project
     >Loretto, KY (2016) - Participant
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ENGINEER, TONMEISTER, ELECTRONICS ASSISTANT:

Talea Ensemble, Nicholas Isherwood, Wet Ink Ensemble, Longleash Piano Trio, PanSonus, Chelsea Symphony, Ekmeles Vocal Ensemble, loadbang

EDUCATION

Degree from Victoria University of Wellington, Wellington NZ PhD Sonic Arts

Columbia University, New York NY USA Audited courses 2015-2019

- Degree from Manhattan School of Music Composition Master of Music 2018
- Degree from Manhattan School of Music Jazz Composition Bachelor of Music in Jazz Composition 2016

EMPLOYMENT:

Utania Project Digitization Logistics Coordinator, National Library of New Zealand (2024-2025)

Music Library Assistant, National Library of New Zealand (2024) Venue Manager, Pyramid Club, Wellington, NZ (2022-2024) Private Clarinet Teacher, Island Bay School, Wellington, NZ (2020) Teacher/Tutor, Victoria University of Wellington, NZ (2020-) Composer-In-Residence, Orchestra Enigmatic, Louisville, KY (2019-2020) Venue Manager, Spectrum Music/Art/Ideas, New York, NY (2018-2020) Recorded and Live Sound Engineer, Technical Operations Assistant, DiMenna

Center for Classical Music/Orchestra of St. Lukes/Audio Smith Solutions/Merce Cunningham Dance Company, New York, NY

(2018-2020)

Music Librarian, Peter Jay Sharp Music Library, New York, NY (2014-2018)

Freelance Audio Engineer, (2014-)