Kente ARTS ALLIANCE PRESENTS
Harmonies across Cultures Series with

Jazz Violinist
Billy Bang & The Aftermath Band
performing
“Sketches of Vietnam”
Saturday November 8, 2008 @ 8PM
Kelly-Strayhorn Theater
5941 Penn Ave. East Liberty, Pittsburgh, PA
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The violin is hardly the first instrument that comes to mind when you think about jazz, but that's never daunted Billy Bang, one of the instrument's most adventurous exponents. Drafted into the army following his graduation, Bang was sent to Vietnam, an experience that profoundly affected his life, often quite painfully. Returning home and radicalized, Billy became active in the anti-war movement, and by the late '60s had returned to music.

His two recordings, Vietnam: The Aftermath and Reflections, evoke and confront the memories of his Vietnam experiences and showcase the fine compositional skills that have always marked his work. The experience proved to be emotionally cathartic as well as a boon to his career, and has led to rave reviews the world over.

The concert is being held to commemorate Veteran's Day.

Featuring
Billy Bang - Composer, violin
James Spaulding - Alto sax and flute
Ted Daniel - Trumpet
Andrew Bochman - Piano
Nhan Thanh Ngo - Dan tranh
Todd Nicholson - Bass
Newman Taylor Baker - Drums

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