## JAMES COHAN GALLERY

## James Cohan Gallery presents MARGARET LENG TAN

## **TOY PIANO VIRTUOSO**

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Saturday May 16<sup>th</sup> 5:30, 7 pm

**James Cohan Gallery** 533 West 26<sup>th</sup> St



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The celebrated avant garde pianist and toy piano virtuoso, MARGARET LENG TAN, performs *CAGE/NAM-JUNE/FLUXUS* in conjunction with the current exhibition, *Nam June Paik*, at the James Cohan Gallery. Recognized as the pre-eminent interpreter of John Cage's music, Ms. Tan will present a sneak preview of her upcoming performance at the 53rd Venice Biennale's opening celebrations in June.

The program begins with Ms. Tan's homage to Nam June Paik, *Toy Piano Drag*, followed by three groundbreaking works by Cage; also pieces by Alison Knowles and Dick Higgins, both pioneers in the Fluxus conceptual art movement of the 1960s in which Mr. Paik was a core participant. Knowles, Higgins and Paik all regarded John Cage as their mentor and spiritual father.

Ms. Tan also honors another Fluxus founding member, George Brecht (1926-2008), performing several of his "event scores". The program ends with two works for toys by the Australian-American composer, Erik Griswold, a twenty-first century celebration of Fluxus' playful spirit.

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