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Bronx Council on the Arts and BRIO present “Jazz Guitar Duets” with BxIndie Artists Sheryl Bailey and Rale Micic Saturday, April 30, 2011 / 2:30pm / Mosholu Library

(Bronx – April 22, 2011) The Bronx Council on the Arts (BCA) and BRIO present “**Jazz Guitar Duets**” with BxIndie artists **Sheryl Bailey and Rale Micic** at 2:30pm on Saturday, April 30, 2011 at the Mosholu Branch of the New York Public Library at 285 East 205th Street, near Perry Avenue in the Bronx. Admission is free and all are welcome.

Jazz guitarists, Sheryl Bailey and Rale Micic share a unique rapport and spontaneous creativity that is fun, electrifying, and entertaining. The two blend their virtuosity and skills together to create new sounds from old traditions – using jazz standards as a canvas to paint new colors upon.

Sheryl Bailey, the “sizzling guitar goddess” is an Associate Professor at Berklee College of Music, and has toured globally as a leader and side-person. Her latest release (number 8 for her) “For All Those Living” features her quartet on eight new compositions. It is a tribute to the hard-swinging tradition of straight-ahead jazz guitar. She also is a recent recipient of the BRIO Grant from the Bronx Council on the Arts. For more information about Sheryl and her music, visit www.sherylbailey.com.



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Photos courtesy of the artists

The Serbian-born **Rale Micic** records for CTA records. He has toured internationally and has received critical acclaim from *Downbeat Magazine*, *JazzTimes*, and *The LA Times*. His latest release “3” features Gregory Hutchinson (drums) and Scott Colley (bass). He also runs the Riverdale Music Studios in the Bronx. For more information about Rale and his music, visit www.ralemicic.com.

Directions: The Mosholu Branch of the New York Public Library is easily accessible by public transportation. By subway, take the D train to 205th St.; by bus, take the BX10, BX16, BX28, BX30, BX34 to Bainbridge Avenue or the BX41, BX55 to Webster Avenue. Call 718-882-8239 for additional directions or information.

Bronx Recognizes Its Own (BRIO) provides direct support to individual Bronx artists who create literary, media, visual, and performing works of art. 25 BRIO grants of \$3,000 each are awarded to Bronx artists. BRIO award winners complete a one-time public service. The awards are based solely on artistic excellence. Winners are selected by a panel of arts professionals representing the award disciplines. Only artists living in the Bronx are eligible to apply.

Bronx Council on the Arts (BCA) celebrates almost 50 years as a private, non-profit membership organization that is the official cultural agency of Bronx County. Recognized nationally as a leading arts service organization in providing cultural services and arts programs, BCA serves a multicultural constituency in excess of 1.4 million residents. BCA provides an array of services to 5,000 artists and more than 250 arts and community-based organizations.

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