

## WELCOME TO THE SECOND ISSUE OF CHAISE.

Chaise Magazine is an inventive collection of art and music, distributed free on DVD. The genre-crossing, two-disc set features work from emerging artists, animators, filmmakers, computer programmers, composers, and everyone in between. Our contributors use combinations of the cutting-edge and the traditional to create work that's fresh, intelligent, and expresses a unique creative vision.

Chaise exists at the crossroads of art and technology. The rift between artist and technician has vanished: affordable software and hardware tools have freed artists to oversee their entire creative process, from moment of inspiration to packaging and distribution. The resulting work is an unfettered breath of fresh air, bridging the gap between new and traditional media, entertainment and high concept. Chaise sidesteps gallery spaces and record shops, propelling fine art into the 21st century, free of charge.

## ABOUT ISSUE TWO.

Chaise Two consists of a DVD, an audio CD, and a curatorial booklet. Put the DVD in your player and you'll find two Features and a collection of shorter pieces divided into three themed Sittings: *Animation, Performance & Processing*, and *Books & Drawings*.

Sitting Four: *Composition & Assembly* – the audio CD – is a full-length compilation of non-vocal music, composed, performed and recorded outside of the traditional studio environment. Pop the DVD into your computer to access Sitting Five: *Print & Click*, the ROM portion of the magazine dedicated to works of a computer-based or interactive nature.

Included in this press packet is an advance copy of Chaise Two, with selections from each of the sittings. The Featured film, "Freestyle," is a hair-raising documentary about the human-canine dance circuit. From Sitting One we've included a traditional animation as well as one that makes innovative use of watercolors, and from Sitting Two, an A/V symphony composed from news coverage of 9/11. Representing Sitting Three are two digital versions of limited edition art books, and sampled from Sitting Four are musical tracks from an established artist and three newcomers. Sitting Five includes printable files to make envelopes like the one included in this packet.

*The Chaise Two release party will be held in Brooklyn on May 6 – your invitation is enclosed.*

Chaise Two will be distributed at select stores and venues in NY, LA, SF, and Providence and available to anyone who sends a self-addressed stamped envelope starting on May 9, 2005.

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