## PLAY, SING & DANCE MUSIC FUN HOUR!



(Photo taken at the Davidson Senior Center, Bronx 2018)

## A communal, hands-on experience

A powerful sense of community and pure joy is felt during our programs for seniors. We begin by handing out percussion instruments. Then we find specific songs that the attendees would like to sing. Now we are playing and singing together. Eventually dancing will happen too. The experience is organic, the responses are spontaneous and everyone participates at their own pace so that everyone has their own individual and honest experience of the joy of making music together.

Our programs are customized for the community where we are engaging with. We can offer any combination of live performance (duo, trio or full band), and/or Karaoke tracks depending on the tastes of the attendees and the budget requirements.

Watch a 2 min compilation video of our "Music Fun Hour" at Senior Center s in NYC: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GYrhYJoN7dA&feature=youtu.be</u> And here is a short sample video of the Karaoke Fun Hour: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nCP3T3k9Yew</u>

## About Débora & John:



John Allen Watts, piano Débora Watts, vocals/percussion

John Allen Watts (<u>www.johnallenwatts.com</u>) is a classically-trained pianist, composer, and producer. He holds BA in music theory and composition from Brown University and an MFA in musical theatre composition at NYU's TISCH School for the Arts. He is a composer & music director at the Lucy Moses Summer Musical Theatre Workshop for children. John's voracious musical appetite has taken him from Chopin to rock, pop and jazz, middle eastern music and eventually Brazilian popular music. He is currently collaborating on two full-length musical theatre works.

In 1990, John co-founded the "Off Wall Street Jam", the nation's first weekend warrior music club. Since then he has never wavered from his mission to educate and inspire people, young and old, to express themselves through music.

**Débora Watts (**<u>www.deborawatts.com</u>**)** is a Brazilian vocalist and composer. She has performed on premier stages spanning much of the globe from Rio de Janeiro to Armenia. In 2017, Débora recorded and released her 2<sup>nd</sup> CD, consisting entirely of her own compositions. The CD "Um Samba ao Contrário" ("Upside Down Samba"), produced by John Allen Watts, led to appearances on Brazilian TV and radio, where her music has been played on regular rotation In 2018 Débora's CD was awarded "Best Brazilian CD in the USA" at the Brazilian Press Awards and one of her songs won Best World Music at the prestigious USA Songwriting Competition.

Débora has a natural way of getting people to play, sing & even dance during her events. A gifted performer in her own right, these events are all about the community she is with and the experience and joy of sharing music. It is truly unlike anything else.

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