# Miser Now

*Oblique Strategies*

Issue 02

# 1 000 000 mph

## Streets of London, Mark Harris + Peter Lloyd Lewis, Nov–Dec 2003

Documenting a series of events in London and in Richmond, Virginia, an exhibition at London Gallery 1 000 000 mph incorporates live music, a video sculpture and photographs of the previous weeks' performances/happenings.

### The Invitation

To see what happens when a number of musicians and buskers are invited to make use of a gallery as they wish. They are asked to play a song of their choice which they associate with London and to perform an interpretation of Ralph McTell's classic recording Streets of London, recorded in 1969.

### The Response

Nineteen musicians and groups take part. Two of the four video loops show musicians playing versions of McTell's song; a third shows London musicians playing their own music; the fourth shows Richmond musicians playing versions of the Clash's *London Calling*.

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**The Event**
Well, let me take you by the hand.

**Week 1**
Advertisements are placed inviting buskers
and musicians to audition for a pitch
in the gallery. And lead you through the
streets of London,

**Week 2**
Auditions held in the gallery are open for
public viewing. I'll show you something

**Week 3**
Selected buskers are given set times to
play in the gallery. To make you change
your mind

**Week 4**
video footage and photographs of the
auditions, interpretations and gallery
residencies, are presented in the gallery
culminating in a day of live music and
performances.

**Playdays**
Thu, 27 Nov, 12–3pm: Richard Stevenson
Thu, 27 Nov, 3–6pm: Javier Hernandes

Fri, 28 Nov, 12–3pm: Zenon Barreto
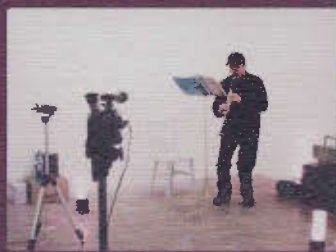Fri, 28 Nov, 3–6pm: Sergey Ivanov

Sat, 29 Nov, 12–3pm: Mike McKeown
Sat, 29 Nov, 3–6pm: Anita Majumdar

Sun, 30 Nov, 12–3pm: Giuseppe Nieddu
Sun, 30 Nov, 3–6pm: Mendicant : Barnaby
Cole, Jakob Kaye and Simone Clark

**Closing Party**
**Performances** from 7pm
1. Guiseppe Nieddu
2. Tony Winn
3. HK 119: Heidi Kilpelainen
and Antonio Giansi
4. Sarah Mitra
5. Pevin Kinel

IT WAS WILD!!!
It was Londontastic!