## MUS 176 : CONTROLLER-ISM : APPLIED TECHNIQUES FOR LIVE ELECTRONIC MUSIC PERFORMANCES

**Instructor: King Britt** 

Friday, June 10, 2022 - 5:00 p.m. Conrad Prebys Music Center, Experimental Theater

with music by:

**Yichan Yin** 

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Video: Keanu Nazemi



This class, MUS 176: CONTROLLER-ISM: APPLIED TECHNIQUES FOR LIVE ELECTRONIC MUSIC PERFORMANCES, explored the application of various midi controllers in a live performance context. We studied the ergonomics of each controller in relationship with customizing software environments that catered to each individual's music.

We built multi-layered, internal layouts that lend itself to the most direct way to engage with the computer and the audience.

The class allowed them to think creatively about the structures and limitations that lay in front of them and how best to deal with this in a live context.

This is their first Controllerism performance in front of an audience.

- Professor King Britt		

## NOTES:

**CONTROLLERISM** (a term coined by musician Moldover '07) "is the art of manipulating sounds, creating and performing music live using computer controllers and software"

MIDI (Musical Instrument Digital Interface) is a technology standard protocol that enables instruments and devices to easily communicate with each other. Ikutaro Kakehashi and Dave Smith developed and released in 1983.

A **Midi Controller** is a physical device that allows humans to interact with computers in a live context. The software is customized by the artist to ergonomically bring together their mental, physical and spiritual being, turning the device into an instrument and practice.

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