

Saturday, June 11, 2022 | 9:00am **Chaparral Auditorium**

Free Community Event

Jay Campbell cello

Catherine LAMB

cross/collapse

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CHAPARRAL AUDITORIUM 414 EAST OJAI AVENUE, OJAI Catherine LAMB (b. 1982) cross/collapse (2010)

Meditation

The ratio-based music of Catherine Lamb exists somewhere between reality and non-reality. Perfect ratios of pitch relationships can only be products of our imaginations — the materiality of the physical world distorts these idealized mathematical purities. As a performer, I try to slow down beating frequencies from rhythmic periodicities to absolute pure fusion, but the curve of this endeavor is inherently asymptotic. It can never

be perfectly attained. The experience of sound itself is also unique to each listener. For each human, the various strata of vibrational complexity and tonal shading come into focus in ways that are completely unique to that person.

But rather than being frustrated by this paradox, I see this friction as immensely generative and spiritually enriching. There is a transcendent distance between

pure numbers and acoustic reality. For me, the proximity to that unreachable space is where listening becomes an allencompassing experience, blurring the boundaries of harmony, melody, pitch, rhythm, mind, and body.

-JAY CAMPBELL

This concert is approximately 45 minutes.