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## *A SOUND MAP OF THE HUDSON RIVER*

by

**ANNEA LOCKWOOD**  
**Installation and Reception**

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**Opening Artist Reception Saturday, September 22, 2007 2-6 PM**

**Installation September 22-30, 2-6 PM**

**The Brick Elephant**

**12 Emily Street, Valley Falls, NY 12185**

**Admission by donation**

Re:Soundings will present *A Sound Map of the Hudson River*, a sound installation by Annea Lockwood from September 22-30 in The Brick Elephant in Valley Falls. Since 1970 Lockwood has recorded rivers in many countries, not to document them, but rather for the special state of mind and body which the sounds of moving water create when one listens intently to the complex mesh of rhythms and pitches.

*A Sound Map of the Hudson River* is an aural journey from the source of the river, Lake Tear of the Clouds in the high peak area of the Adirondacks, downstream to the Lower Bay and the Atlantic. The work was commissioned by the Hudson River Museum in Yonkers, NY as an installation. It was incorporated into the museum's permanent, "Riverama," exhibit in 2003.

Each stretch of the Hudson has its own sonic texture, formed by the terrain, varying according to the weather, the season and, downstream, the human environment whose sounds are intimately woven into the river's sounds. By correlating the numbered sites on a map with the elapsed time, listeners will be able to identify which location they are listening to, the date, and the time of day at which the recording was made.

As well as the sounds of the river, there will be recorded interviews with six people who have connections to the Hudson River, from a fisherman to a river pilot, which can be listened to over headphones while listening to the taped sounds of the river in the open space.

Annea Lockwood is a composer with an unusual sensitivity to the poetic potential of sound, particularly the rich and unpredictable nature of acoustical sound. Her work frequently blends sound with movement and images to create philosophical and sensual exploration of the natural world. Born in New Zealand, Lockwood moved to England in 1961, where she studied piano at the Royal College of Music. In 1973, After 12 years in England, a musical "loner," and feeling a strong kinship with American composers, she moved to the United States. Since then, she has toured frequently in the United States, Europe and Australasia.

Valley Falls is in northwestern Rensselaer County and is 20 minutes north of Troy and 30 minutes west of Bennington.