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Event: Asian Pacific Islander Cultural Center presents
Somei Yoshino Taiko Ensemble in Concert
"TEN"

Where: Mountain View Center for the Performing Arts
500 Castro Street
Mountain View, CA 94041

When: May 22 and 23, 2009 at 8:00 PM

Tickets: \$26 Adults
\$20 seniors, students, children (12 & under), groups of 10 or more
Available at the ticket office, 500 Castro Street, Mountain View
By phone: 650-903-6000 or online: www.mvcpa.com

From the very first strike of the taiko, Somei Yoshino Taiko Ensemble dazzles their audiences with theatrical flair that brings wonder, laughter, drama and thrills. The ensemble captivates with an intriguing array of drums, percussion, rare stringed and woodwind instruments, unique costumes and movement motifs that step outside the mainstream.

Since their founding, SYTE has received rave reviews for their work:

“ . . . the musicians sliced space and made it tingle . . . The drummers channeled energy with adventurous vigor, they sent it out, welcomed it back, built on it and made a moving art form in the process.”

- Los Angeles Times

“Somei Yoshino Taiko Ensemble has never been afraid to push the boundaries...SYTE brings all of this to life with a delicacy of touch and a deliberate exploration of dynamics. They allow the music to breathe when needed, yet don't forget the thundering power of taiko at their command.”

-David Leong, Rolling Thunder