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Live performances by:

- Meri Nikula (performance art)
- Toshiaki Tashiro (live painting)
- Pepino (electronic rock)

Video art, House & Jazz music,  
fashion and style...

Oct. 24, Sat., 20:30 ~ 02:00

# Now Lounge @ Il Palazzo

Introducing Fukuoka's international  
artists and their projects

Photos taken from tonight's party online  
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**Victor Cagno** is an illustrator/graphic designer. He moved to Fukuoka from New York City in April 2009 after working for HarperCollins Publishers as senior graphic designer for eight years. He specializes in editorial design and illustration, from advertisement to promotional materials. He also enjoys creating children's book illustrations.



**James Dover** is a native of Hawaii, where he was born in 1972. He has lived on and off in Japan over the last nine years and is currently based in Itoshima. He works with a number of different media, including painting, drawing, ceramics and wood work.



**Alfend Elias** came to Fukuoka in 2006 to study for a master's degree in economics. After two years, he took up photography and he has recently entered a professional course at the ABC Photography School. He has worked freelance for Jakarta Arsimedik Studio and is a member of fotografer.net.



**Vincent Lefrançois** studied plastic arts at the Pantheon Sorbonne University. A few years after graduating, he came to Fukuoka and started to work as a freelance illustrator for the likes of JR Kyushu and Nishi Nihon Shimbun. He currently works with Casterman Publishing, adapting manga for the French market, and as a mangaka with Asahi Weekly.



**Macarena Olivera** was born in Buenos Aires, Argentina in 1970. She studied at Prilidiano Pueyrredón Art University. In 1998 she was awarded a scholarship by the Japanese government to study at the University of Kumamoto. In Fukuoka, she has worked regularly for Tiempo Iberoamericano. She has had numerous exhibitions and received many commissions in Japan.



**Simon Oxley** has been living in Fukuoka since 2002. He runs his own successful design studio, Idokungfoo and is most famous for designing the bird illustration used on Twitter's home page. He recently branched out into the world of fashion and has collaborated on a line of men's accessories due for release next year.



**Jay Palarino** is a graduate of the University of the Arts, Philadelphia. As a composer, has written music for theater, film, animation, drum corps and the concert hall. As a painter, he has held exhibitions in various cities through out northern Kyushu. He is currently engaged in finding a venue for the debut of his symphonic works.



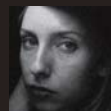
**Elena Sommer** is a design student currently enjoying her stay in Japan on an exchange program at Kyushu University. Her work has been regularly exhibited in a number of locations throughout Germany since 2003 and she has also seen the print publication of her manga artwork.



**Nikos Tsouknidas** worked in illustration and website-design in his native Greece after graduating from university with a degree in Computer Science. In 2007, he moved to Fukuoka to study for a master's degree in Design Strategy at Kyushu University. He is currently involved in a major graphic novel project.



**Geoffrey Wolfson**, originally from the United States, graduated in 2003 with a degree in Fine Arts (Drawing and Painting). In 2007, he established his own clothing/design label, Godfrey Rothschild. Other interests of his include world history, mythology, music and nature.



**Ksenia Yakunicheva** is a postgraduate researcher at Kyushu University. She has two master's degrees in Product Design and has previously studied in Russia, Italy, Germany and Sweden. In 2002, she won a Pall Mall commercial art competition and in 2007, she won an International Biennale Modulo in her home city, St. Petersburg.