

Matt Small

Bassist / Composer

San Francisco bassist and composer **Matt Small** creates music that blurs the boundaries between divergent musical styles, producing a uniquely fresh sound. As a performer, composer, and producer, Small currently leads three distinct ensembles : Matt Small's Chamber Ensemble, The Crushing Spiral Ensemble, and The Bedlam Royals. Small has released five CD's with these groups showcasing a wide variety of his compositional work. Small made his Carnegie Hall debut as a composer in April 2005, when Matt Small's Chamber Ensemble participated in a workshop, led by renown trumpeter/composer Dave Douglas, culminating in a concert in which Small premiered three, eight-minute works at Zankel Hall. In September 2004, Small's multi-faceted musical personality was honored when he made his Carnegie debut as a bassist with Yo-Yo Ma's Silk Road Project, performing in four evening concerts and multiple daytime demonstrations. Compositional honors for Small include 2005 and 2007 Subito Awards, as well as a 2006 Northern California Composers Commissioning Program Award, all administered by the American Composers Forum.