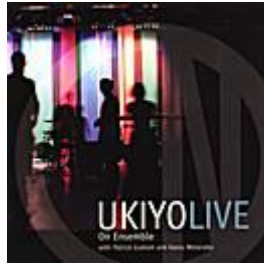


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UKIYO LIVE With taiko (Japanese drum) as the foundation for its world fusion mix, On Ensemble is taking an ancient art form into new realms. Infusing the powerful rhythms of taiko with musical influences ranging from jazz, rock and electronica to Tuvan throat singing, On Ensemble has crafted a repertoire of ground-breaking music. UKIYO, the ensemble's fourth annual home concert series, features multi-percussionist Patrick Graham and fue specialist Kaoru Watanabe. This live recording captures something On Ensemble fans have come to expect; collaboration between adventuresome artists with a shared passion for avant-garde musical exploration.

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