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## **PechaKucha Night Chicago presents Volume 9**

**June 2nd, 2009 at 8:00pm at Martyrs', 3855 N Lincoln Avenue, Chicago**

Advance ticket purchase recommended. Tickets \$10 (21 and over only).

Charge by phone at (800) 594-8499 or via the internet at

<http://www.martyrstickets.musictoday.com/martyrs/calendar.aspx>

(Chicago, IL)... **PechaKucha Night** brings prominent and emerging creative minds together for an evening of lightning-fast presentations, networking and fun. The PechaKucha format, where a dozen or so presenters are given 20 slides each shown for 20 seconds to reveal their passions, work and inspirations, is now held in over 190 cities around the world. Chicago events are among the most popular, with over 250 people in attendance at each event.

Chicago's Volume 9 features 6 minutes and 40 seconds each of wild Chicagoan **Ben Hollis**, glacier follower **Bonnie Peterson**, spirited gardener **Julia Bunn**, recent RISD graduate **Eylül Kethüda**, artist **Chelsea Culp** of Chicago, Flash experimenter **Felix Jung**, emerging rock n roll superstars **All Things Lucid** (yes, a whole band doing a 400 second set), graphic designer **Emily Lozano**, School of the Art Institute student and PechaKucha tourist **Teresa Lin**, and artist **Steven Haulenbeek** whose Dabbot modular lighting won Best of Show at Design Within Reach's 2009 M+D+F Show. Architects **Peter Exley** and **Thorsten Bösch** will emcee the evening. **All Things Lucid** will perform an encore set somewhat longer than 400 seconds following PechaKucha events.

**PechaKucha Night Chicago Volume 9** for one night only at **Martyrs' (3855 N Lincoln Avenue, Chicago) on Tuesday June 2nd**. For tickets, call (800) 594-8499.

Now a staple on the Chicago creative calendar, PechaKucha Night has made its home at Martyrs' club on the city's North Lincoln Avenue. Six PechaKucha Night events are planned for Chicago in 2009, including a special event as part of the Neocon World's Trade Fair on June 16, and a road trip to the Hyde Park Art Center on July 21. PechaKucha Night Chicago at Martyrs' was voted as the Readers' Best Non-Musical Event for 2009.

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Pecha Kucha (which is Japanese for the sound of conversation) has tapped into a demand for a forum in which creative work can be easily and informally shown, without having to rent a gallery or chat up a magazine editor. This is a demand that seems to be global – as Pecha Kucha Night, without any pushing, has spread virally to over 190 cities worldwide.

Pecha Kucha Night, devised by Astrid Klein and Mark Dytham (Klein Dytham architecture), was conceived in 2003 in Tokyo as a place for young designers to meet, network, and show their work in public. PechaKucha (pronounced peh-chak-ka-cha) premiered in Chicago in March 2007.

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