

Beat it, for a cause

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Since times immemorial, drums have been used to grab the attention of people. A confluence of music and matter seeks to do the same this evening. Over a hundred artists — a majority of them percussionists — will converge for the 'Make a Noise' concert this evening.

The concert is hosted by United Nations as a part of their global campaign to draw attention towards the Millennium Development Goals.

Wild percussion sounds from the length and breath of the country will be accompanied by string instruments in fusion combinations.

Sanjeev Bhargava of Seher is responsible for the concept implemented by fusion band Mrigya's violinist Sharat Chandra Srivastava. Says Srivastava, "I don't think something like this and on this scale has happened before. It took me four months to find the right sounds and make the sonic diversity blend. The tiny Moorsing and the massive Nagara jam is just one example. You'll see a lot of beautiful contrasts. We also have unconventional string instruments in the mix such as Haavan hatha, Kamaycha and four kinds of flutes."

Saturday, Sept 18, Purana Qila, 6 pm onwards. For passes, call 011-4653 2242 or mail unicindia@unicindia.org