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Epsilon Spires presents music and visions of Hildegard in

Oct. 19 concert

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- The Pandora Consort returns to the Epsilon Spires
- 6 Sanctuary for the second time this year on Sunday, Oct. 19, at 7
- p.m., with an encore performance of their "Hildegard
- 8 Reanimated: Vision in Vision" program, which organizers said
- 9 resulted in a standing ovation to a packed house back in April
- **10** 2025.

The program explores the mystical visions of 12th-11 century composer, theologian, philosopher, botanist, and doctor, 12 Hildegard of Bingen through her spiritual music for voice and 13 harmonium, accompanied by animated projections of her most 14 famous divine illuminations. 15 This performance also marks the continuation of both 16 Epsilon Spires' "Grrls to the Front" series and their collaboration 17 with local arts residency and self-described "eco-cultural 18 catalyst," In Situ Polyculture Commons, where the Pandora 19 Consort trio will be housed for creative retreat for the duration of **20** their recording residency. 21 The two arts organizations are collaborating to record 22 "Hildegard Reanimated" as the newest installment of Epsilon 23 Spires ongoing recording publishing series, which has also 24 recorded and released records by Japanese sound artist 25 FUJI||||||TA and Franco-Swiss composer François J. Bonnet, 26 performing under the project name Kassel Jaeger. 27 For a multi-sensorial experience at the Oct. 19 event, 28 refreshments, such as cookies inspired by Hildegard's "Cookies of 29 Joy" recipe, will be on offer to "calm all bitterness of the heart 30 and mind, open your heart and impaired senses, and make your mind cheerful." 32 Epsilon Spires and In Situ Polyculture also welcome back 33 central-Vermont based Golden Rule Mead to the Sanctuary, 34 whose proprietor, Alex Apfel, will be at the event. 35 Hildegard was an impressive figure in many regards; she 36 was one of the first named composers of music. Hildegard 37 experienced visions ("umbra viventis lucis" or "the reflection of 38 the living light") from the age of three up to her death, and many 39 of her writings and illuminations are a result of these visions. Hildegard's writings, visions, and music are inextricably 41 linked in her life and philosophy. 42

Taking inspiration from her life, the Pandora Consort —

Kendra Comstock, Angie Tyler, and Gina Marie Falk — weave

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their voices to focus on four of Hildegard's visions, working with 45 visual artist Cate Duckwall. 46 Tickets and more information are available at bit.ly/836-<u>hilde</u>. 48 ####END TEXT### BIO/COATTAIL: ####BEGIN BIO/COATTAIL### 49 ####END BIO/COATTAIL#### LAST ISSUE IN WHICH THIS FILE CAN BE RUN: ####BEGIN MAXISSUE#### 0 50 ####END MAXISSUE#### LINKS: 51 ###END LINKS#### VIDEO: ####BEGIN VIDEO#### 52 ####END VIDEO#### LOGLINE (SOCIAL MEDIA): ####BEGIN LOGLINE#### 53 ####END LOGLINE####