TREEFORT MUSIC FEST

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HACKFORT, TREEFORT MUSIC FEST REVEAL FIRST WAVE OF 2018 LINEUP
Hackfort 2018 includes keynote Robin Finck, Ann Lemay, Ceri Young, Christopher Willits, Sally Kellaway and more

BOISE, IDAHO – January 18, 2018 – Hackfort announced today the first wave of speakers, artists and experts set to attend the fourth annual digital humanities conference on Friday, March 23 and Saturday, March 24 during Treefort Music Fest. Hackfort will be held on the fifth floor at JUMP, which will include an expo hall exhibiting local and visiting companies that is free and open to the public. This year, Hackfort will explore a range of topics including cryptocurrency, content creation, video games, board games, innovative hardware, gaming composition, sound engineering, UFO findings and more.

"Hackfort is the place to meet others enthusiastic about technology, exchange ideas and engage in conversation with industry experts and local innovators," said Janessa White, Hackfort director. "We're excited to welcome so many great people to discuss different perspectives on important topics in tech and invite all ages and experience levels to come discover something new at Hackfort."

Hackfort 2018 events and artists include, but are not limited to:
indicates a Hackfort Badge priority event

- **Robin Finck** for a keynote presentation on his crossover from composing music with rock band *Nine Inch Nails* to composing the video game *Noct* soundtrack*
- Ubisoft Montreal veterans **Ann Lemay** and **Ceri Young** for a workshop on writing your own game level for *Assassin's Creed Origins**
- A discussion on The Future of Sound with producer and DJ **Christopher Willits** and former OSSIC engineer **Sally Kellaway**
- How to Pitch Your Tech Story panel moderated by **Jennifer Kite-Powell** (Forbes)**,** featuring **Neel Patel** (Wired), **Alejandro Rojas** (Huffpost), **Chris Longo** (Den of Geek) and more
- AMA with *Stardew Valley* creator **Eric Barone***
- A discussion on Innovation in UFO Technologies with **Alejandro Rojas** (Huffpost), **Ben Hansen** (Paranormal Files), and astronomer and innovator **Marc D'Antonio**
- Foraging Beats: Sound Engineering workshop with **DJ Michna***
- An exclusive discussion on How to Diversify your Crypto-Index with local data genius **Cameron Crow** (Kount)*
- A in-depth blog revamp with local internet experts **Nathan Barry** (ConvertKit) and **Marshall Simmonds** (Define Media Group)*
- A beer-fueled, grown-up Hardware Hack with Hackfort veteran **Tristan Andreas***
- Hackfort Happy Hour: ILLLIMAT board game
- A discussion on Circling Pools of Net Data with **Marshall Simmonds** (Define Media Group)
- Tabletop Tinker: Board Game Build workshop with **Elephant Laboratories***
- Laptop Rebuild workshop with **Brooke Lacey** (Tech Savvy)*

Discover more about Hackfort 2018 at www.treefortmusicfest.com/hackfort-2018-lineup. Most Hackfort events are first come, first serve and priority sign up will be given to those with a Hackfort Badge, which will go on sale in February. To purchase Treefort Music Fest five-day passes, visit eventbrite.

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About Hackfort

Hackfort is a digital humanities conference focusing on independent creators and innovators in tech. The goal of Hackfort is to bring those passionate about tech culture together in one place to trade new ideas and experiences.

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About Treefort Music Fest

Conceived as an extension of the current momentum in the Boise music scene and art scene at large, our vision is that Treefort will provide the opportunity for Boise to play host to the national and regional music scenes while showcasing the local up-and-coming talent. Treefort Music Fest is proudly recognized as the Cultural Ambassador for the City of Boise 2015-2017.

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