

# The Rotterdam Nijmegen Köln Exchange

Exchange programme of NICA artist development / Stadtgarten Köln, RAUW Festival Rotterdam and Festival Jazz International Nijmegen

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This autumn '**The Rotterdam Nijmegen Köln Exchange**' will kick off – the exchange project between RAUW Festival Rotterdam, Festival Jazz International Nijmegen and NICA artist development / Stadtgarten Köln. The aim is to give selected artists from Rotterdam, Nijmegen and Cologne the opportunity to exchange ideas about performing at the participating partner organisations and to get to know the respective music, music scene and professional network in the other cities during their short stay.

In this first edition of the exchange project, German trumpeter **Heidi Bayer**, NICA artist since 2020, will travel to the Netherlands. She will present her long-awaited debut album with her quartet **Virtual Leak** at RAUW Festival Rotterdam (28.10.2021) and Festival Jazz International Nijmegen (30.10.2021). Furthermore, she will meet up with the organisers and other professionals to establish contacts and gain insights about the local music scene.

The return visit by the two Dutch musicians **Jimmi Jo Hueting** and **Jelle Roozenburg** in Cologne will also take place in October and January next year when their bands perform at Stadtgarten: **Jo Goes Hunting** (19.10.2021) and **Bonsai Panda** (17.01.2022). In addition to the two concerts, there will be meetings with NICA artists and other German 'professionals', also with the aim to expand their network and to get a better understanding of the Cologne and German scene.

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### **19.10.21 / NICA presents: Jo Goes Hunting**

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**Jo Goes Hunting** is the brainchild of Dutch artist **Jimmi Jo Hueting**. Trained as a jazz drummer, however, Jimmi's musical journey is anything but limited to jazz. Combining influences from experimental electronic music, obscure hip-hop and sixties pop, Jo Goes Hunting is a melting pot of styles that comes together to form an eclectic whole. Created as a solo project, Jo Goes Hunting is also an exciting live performance, with Jimmi supported by a range of highly talented musicians.

Jimmi Hueting (drums, drum machines, vocals), Daniel Eskens (bass, synthesizer), Jelle Roozenburg (guitar), Sjoerd Krul (guitar), Jesse Schilderink (baritone/alto saxophone), Nicolo Ricci (tenor saxophone), Louk Boudesteijn (trombone), Carmen van Mulier (vocals, synthesizer)

### **28.10.21 / Heidi Bayer VIRTUAL LEAK**

*RAUW Festival, Rotterdam*

### **30.10.21 / Heidi Bayer VIRTUAL LEAK**

*Festival Jazz International Nijmegen*

The musical vision of German trumpeter and composer **Heidi Bayer** has been shaped into a sound all her own through a multitude of performances and sessions, including with her quartet **Virtual Leak**: One moment she's booming out of the speakers, the next she's caressing the listeners ears with subtlety and refinement. Heidi Bayer was accepted into the NICA artist development programme in 2020, selected for international showcase festivals, and can now finally perform outside her home country in the post-Corona era.

Heidi Bayer (trumpet, bugle), Johannes Ludwig (alto saxophone), Lisa Wulff (contra bass), Karl Degenhardt (drums)

### **17.01.22 / NICA presents: Bonsai Panda**

*JAKI in Stadtgarten Köln*

Guitarist **Jelle Roozenburg** and trombonist **Louk Boudesteijn** have joined forces as **Bonsai Panda** and, after a period of brainstorming and expansion, are now ready to present their project to the world. Their compositions are dripping with blues, charged with jazz and heavily influenced by the great composers of the 20th century (Stravinsky, Shostakovitsy, Messiaen). In this sonic adventure, they collaborate with eclectic reed master David Kweksilber, French horn guru Romain Bly and the uncompromising beats & sounds of Jimmi Jo Hueting.

Jelle Roozenburg (miscellaneous guitars/composition), Louk Boudesteijn (trombone/synthesizer/composition), Jimmi Jo Hueting (drums/electronics), David Kweksilber (reeds/percussion), Romain Bly (french horn/trumpet/percussion)

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