# San Sebastian - Philadelphia - Amsterdam - New York - Graz Keep an eye International

## award 2024

### **SEMI-FINALS**

April 8 & 9 19:30 hrs CvA Blue Stage Conservatorium van Amsterdam



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### Keep an eye international Jazz award 2024

A competition for outstanding young musicians from Musikene (San Sebastian), Boyer College of Music & Dance (Philadelphia), The School of Jazz & Contemporary Music at the New School (New York), University of Music and Performing Arts (Graz) and Conservatorium van Amsterdam (Amsterdam)

#### PROGRAM

Monday April 8th Semi-Final I CvA Blue Stage, 19.30h

#### Tuesday April 9th Semi-Final II

CvA Blue Stage, 19.30h

#### **Tuesday April 16th Jam Session**

Hosted by Will Vinson CvA Blue Stage, 19.30h

#### Wednesday April 17th Band Coaching finalists

By Mark Schilders and Will Vinson CvA Blue Stage, 10.00h – 17.00h

#### Thursday April 18th Masterclass

By Will Vinson CvA Blue Stage, 12.00h

#### Thursday April 18th International Final

BIMHUIS, 19.30h

#### Semi-Final | April 8

#### BANDS

#### ALICE LEGGETT & CHAERIN IM \*ORCHESTRA\*



Alice Leggett – alto saxophone Ask Morris – tenor saxophone Chaerin Im – piano, synths Matteo Mazzù – bass guitar Pedro Nobre – drums

The Alice Leggett & Chaerin Im \*Orchestra\* is co-led by Alice (Alto Saxophone) and Chaerin (Piano and Synths), featuring compositions collaboratively written specifically for this line up. With Ask Morris on tenor saxophone, Matteo Mazzù on electric bass, and Pedro Nobre on drums, the \*orchestra\* prioritises creating a strong band sound. The music seamlessly blends acoustic and electronic elements, incorporating improvisation, soundscapes, and groove.

#### **MAARTEN COMBRINK QUINTET**



Maarten Combrink – trombone Martí Mitjavila Casals – bass clarinet Chris Muller – piano Omri Hadani – double bass Tim Rachbach – drums

In a world focused on high frequencies, the Maarten Combrink Quintet delves into the realm of low frequencies and explores the unconventional sounds of the trombone and bass clarinet. Two of the wind instruments with the largest range in register and variety of sounds, creating a palette of endless colors and possibilities. The strong musical identity of all individual musicians ensures that Maarten's compositions always go in a different direction. At the same time, there is a strong interaction that transcends the individual musicians.

#### **CHIEFS CONDITION**



Yehorii Uzhva – saxophone Mael El Mazoughi – keys Mikolaj Tarczynski – guitar Rolan Eberhardt – bass guitar Enrico Neri – drums

Chiefs Condition is a collective from Amsterdam, operating in the field of improvised music, reaching for hip-hop, drum & bass, jazztronics, afrobeat, soul, and electronica. A group of five musicians, hailing from different places and traditions, represent a younger generation that boldly incorporates both the roots of jazz and contemporary sounds, including fusion and electronic music. The band's first EP, INLY, released in 2023, showcases their diverse musical experiences and influences, resulting in a unique and original style.

#### Semi-Final | April 8

#### BANDS

#### THE RABBITS



Carolina Gemmell – vocal Ori Ron – cello Flavia Escartin – cello David Saruchanov – piano

This band was created not so long ago. David, the pianist, proposed to get together to try out some sketches he wrote during November 2023. At first we where just experimenting with sound and texture, not knowing much what was the goal, many opinions and doubts. "This sounds too free, this sounds too classical or jazzy, this is just weird, this is out of tune, this is not groovy..." but after a few sessions these same thoughts became the confirmation to where to aim for. Each of us, with our different backgrounds, by letting go the labels, we found each other on the same page. Our perfectionism combined with enjoyment and tenderness to what we do, becomes the engine of this project.

#### **D!MA LOGINOV FIVE/SEVEN ELEMENTS**



Oleg Tkachenko – tenor saxophone Dmitriy Loginov – trumpet Saba Okujava – piano Alexandros Adam – guitar Philip Lewin – double bass Tim Rachbach – drums

D!ma Loginov five/seven elements- It's six person jazz band based in Amsterdam. The band was formed in 2022. The concept of the band was built on that they all came from different places, inspired by classical and jazz music, who met each other at the Conservatory of Amsterdam. A unique brand of entertainment which fuses original music and folk compositions with jazz influence. Except for original music, in their repertoire they also include some compositions from Dima's motherland, Kazakhstan

#### Semi-Final II April 9

#### BANDS

#### SONIC CHOIR OF LOVE



Ketija Ringa Karahona – flute Micheal Murray – alto saxophone Miguel Valente – alto saxophone Adrían Bifano – guitar Francisco Garrido – guitar Heehyun Lee – guitar Ludvig Søndergaard – drums

This choir is no conventional choir. They do not use their vocal chords, but they do sing. They sing songs from their childhood. The songs from their memories. The songs that fill the air and are ready to be played. Together they explore the sonic ocean of possibilities that lies within this band, making every concert a new beginning.

#### TON FELICES ELECTRONIC QUARTET



Ketija Ringa Karahona – flute Evan der Feen – piano Ton Felices – double bass, electronics David Puime – drums

This band's music is groovy, sinuous and futuristic and describes new landscapes and feelings of the contemporary world with jazz and electronic influences. It reflects my journey through the cities of Barcelona, Amsterdam and Los Angeles and all the diverse musical aesthetics I have been exposed to. Our most distinctive feature is the combination of acoustic instruments and electronics, looking for that sweet spot where electronics play a very important role in the sound of every tune but the human decisions change the course of the performance.

#### ANTE MEDIC'S TINY GIANT



Micheal Murray – alto saxophone Alice Leggett – alto saxophone Ante Medić – guitar Jorge Fernandez – fender rhodes Jon Carranza – bass guitar Diego Miranda – drums

Tiny Giant is an innovative electro-acoustic jazz project that draws inspiration from the realms of classical and electronic music. The goal is to create complex but beautiful musical textures that harmoniously coexist. The focus lies in composing musical material that pushes the boundaries of each band member, placing them outside their comfort zones while maintaining a connection to their musical roots and well-known framework.

With the strength of a Giant yet the gentleness of a Tiny sweet creature, we are Tiny Giant.

#### Semi-Final II April 9

#### BANDS

#### FEDERICA LORUSSO QUINTET



Federica Lorusso – voice, piano Sara Guidolin – voice Ketija Ringa Karahona – flute Ton Felices – bass David Puime – drums

In this project composed by two voices, flute, piano, bass and drums, Federica Lorusso seeks to delve into uncharted sonic territories by seamlessly blending both lyrical and instrumental elements. The music is distinguished by its intricate rhythmic and melodic counterpoints, creating captivating contrasts. The dynamic energy and interplay within the band play a pivotal role in the compelling delivery of the musical experience.

Federica composed the song "Price" while residing in New York. This composition delves into one of the most intricate and poignant subjects of our time: the role that humanity has chosen to assume on our planet, and the consequential impact it has on both our surroundings and our own existence.

#### **ANIOL TORRENTS QUINTET**



Micheal Murray – alto saxophone Francisco Garrido – guitar Aleksander Sever – vibraphone Aniol Torrents – bass guitar David Gimeno – drums

Aniol Torrents Quintet is an experimentation process on multiple levels. It looks for different ways to captivate the listener in a really personal and immersive experience, by delivering a sonic playground of own compositions based on improvised music, atmospheric electronics, and the incorporation of strong grooves with energetic arrangements. Experimenting with different ways of generating sound textures and orchestration, they'll stimulate your senses for you to hopefully experience music in a more wide and multi-layered way, not by just listening, but by perceiving and feeling.

In their compositions you can hear from avant-garde jazz, indie-rock sounds to cinematic open soundscapes, and always looking to break the thin line between preconceptions of music genres.

### **Semi-Finals**

#### **JURY SEMI-FINALS**

#### **Reinier Baas**



Reinier Baas is a guitarist, composer and recording artist from the Netherlands with a DIY approach and an idiosyncratic body of work. Baas is a prominent figure in the contemporary European jazz scene. As a soloist, he has performed with the Metropole Orchestra, the Jazz Orchestra of the Concertgebouw and the New Rotterdam Jazz Orchestra.

#### **Kika Sprangers**



With her sparkling phrases and velvety sound combined with compelling compositions, the Dutch saxophonist, composer and band leader Kika Sprangers is one of the most captivating musicians in the country. Kika's music comes from her own experiences, entering her listeners through emotional and poignant playing. In her own words, "the greatest compliment I can get is when a listener is touched by my music."

#### Sylvi Lane



Sylvi Lane is vocalist, songwriter, improvisor, vocal coach at the jazz vocal department at the Conservatory of Amsterdam. She sings and writes music rooted in the Jazz and Soul tradition. Her first album 'In the palm of my hand' was released in 1996: on it mainly originals in a contemporary jazz style. The music was adventurous and intellectual and full of energy. Throughout the years she gave concerts with duo's, (big-) bands, touring clubs, theatres and festivals.

#### **Franz von Chossy**



Pianist Franz von Chossy won the "Dutch Jazz Competition 2006" with his Trio and the "Best Soloist" award during the same competition. Besides leading his own Trio and Quintet he has been an active member and composer of the cross-over project "Arifa", which has been awarded multiple times "best world music release made In The Netherlands"

#### Angelique van Os



Angelique van Os is a freelance music and travel journalist; affiliated with magazines such as Jazzism. She also studied musicology at the RuG and has worked as a programmer for festivals and theaters, promotes artists and events, gives writing workshops at conservatories and is also a musician.

#### **Semi-Finals**

#### **PRESENTER SEMI-FINALS**

#### **Anna-Maria Nitschke**



Anna-Maria Nitschke is the senior producer and study advisor at the jazz department of the Conservatorium van Amsterdam. Nitschke holds Master degrees in Jazz Voice (Conservatorium van Amsterdam) and Arts Entrepreneurship (Global Leaders Institute). Next to her work at the Conservatorium van Amsterdam she serves as a curator, advisor and jury member for several art foundations and jazz competitions.

#### **PRIZES SEMI-FINALS**

Both finalists: €1.250,-

Incentive prize: €750,-

All semi-finalists receive coaching by visiting artists such as Melissa Aldana, Nitai Hershkovits and more.

#### COLOPHON

**Concept Development** 

Conservatorium van Amsterdam & Keep an Eye Foundation **Production & PR** Anna-Maria Nitschke, Bas van Otterloo, Nicole van Hoeve **Recording engineer** Ido Zilberman Live sound engineer Nils Feenstra & Arjan Arwert Graphic design Peter te Bos (Twizter) Printed matter De Bondt, Drukwerkdeal

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### **KEEP AN EYE FOUNDATION**

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This way we encourage students to view their work from a new perspective. Foundation additionally focuses on collaborations between different creative disciplines skills, creating new opportunities, but also to achieve their creative goals. The Keep an Eye a number of shows and festivals, we enable the aspiring young talent not just to develop their artists. By providing grants, together with the chance of winning prizes, and by co-organising musicians, artists, photographers, designers, filmmakers, and performing and circus The Keep an Eye Foundation is always on the lookout' for aspiring young talent, such as

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#### **CALENDRR JAZZ DEPARTMENT** spring/summer 2024

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#### Mark Schilders

career as a composer and producer of original music.

In the years following, his first album Fabrik (2016) saw the light of day. Followed by commissioned works for a.o. the New Rotterdam Jazz Orchestra and the infamous contemporary dance company Conny Janssen Danst. Since 2020, Mark is running his own mixing and production studio in Rotterdam. He releases new electronica infused music as Fabrik, a quest for more personal music – an attempt to blur the lines between acoustic and electronic sonic worlds.

Mark is on faculty at the Codarts Conservatory in Rotterdam and the Conservatorium van Amsterdam, teaching drums, production and electronic-jazz group WAAU. In recent years he was found frequently on drums, bass and synthesizers with one of the most sought after

> Mark Schilders is a drummer, mixing engineer and multi-instrumentalist producer based in Rotterdam, The Netherlands. A born natural, Mark began drumming at 5

> years old and went on to seamlessly integrate into the established Dutch music scene at the young age of 18. He began his studies at The Codarts Conservatory of Rotterdam graduating cum laude in 2011. While a student, he won the prestigious Prinses Christina Jazz

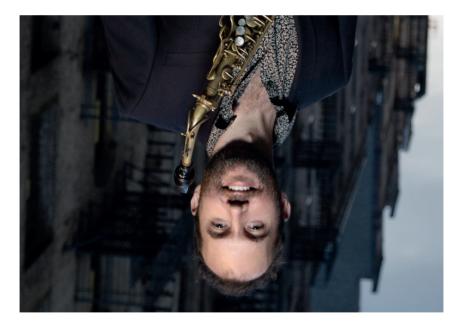
Concours (2008) and the Erasmus Jazz Prijs

(2011). In 2012 he was awarded multiple scholarships to study at The New School for Jazz and Contemporary Music in New York where he studied under the guidance of Amir Ziv, Jim Black, Reggie Workman and Ben Street. In 2014 Schilders was selected as 'Nieuwe Maker' by the Dutch Performing Arts Fund in collaboration with Stichting Jazz International collaboration with Stichting Jazz International scotterdam which marked the start of his



#### **TT IIIQA 23H0A00 GNA8**

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into the rhythmic, harmonic and melodic century-long jazz tradition with explorations colleagues, combines a great respect for the formance. Will's writing, and the playing of his brings his own unique approach to every per-Cannonball to Chris Potter, he nevertheless technique; influenced by saxophonists from is characterized by his imposing sound and incredible power and dramatic sensitivity, and Will's saxophone playing is executed with approach to writing and soloing". lisht a neuron altoist with a lethal and storming energy". Time Out London calls into mellifluous high notes" with "secure control "superb solo of rugged leathery sounds turning John Fordham of The Guardian described a with a "beautiful, softly modulating tone", and tiken, hails this "very exciting saxophonist" force". Thomas Michelsen of Denmark's Poli-

realms of contemporary forms.

Will has an international reputation as a Changeable). Grammy-nominated for Identities are Smalls), Miguel Zenon's Identities Orchestra on Inversations, Bert's Playground and Live at Hoenig's Punk Bop and Nonet (Will appears inA ,(sonimsO betanimon-ymmared Caminos), Ari Rubalcaba's Quartet (he appears on Charlie ensembles, including pianist Gonzalo Will is a member of a number of leading Aaron Parks, and many others. Gilmore, Chris Potter, Kurt Elling, Lage Lund, Ari Hoenig, Jonathan Kreisberg, Marcus with Gonzalo Rubalcaba, Kurt Rosenwinkel, in NYC, he has appeared and/or recorded New York City and the world. Since his arrival Composer Will Vinson has made his career in Viginally from London, Alto Saxophonist/

describes Will as playing "with a relentless

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#### **JANIA YAUL**

#### Mijke Loeven



director of North Sea Round Town and Jazz International Rotterdam. The Hague. She has produced art shows for radio and television and has been Dutch jazz community. Loeven studied jazz vocals at the Royal Conservatoire in Mijke Loeven is the director of the BIMHUIS. She has broad experience in the

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who does not shy away from crossovers and other genres. She knows how to move musical phenomenon, known for her elegance and delicacy; a sophisticated singer diverse singers in The Netherlands and belongs to the European top. Claassen is a The Dutch power woman of jazz, Fay Claassen, is one of the best-known and most

her audiences with ease with her endearing voice.



the Netherlands. Patocka is also a dedicated jazz educator and currently holds a adventurous, helping him become one of the most sought-after jazz drummers in and the future. In doing so, he developed a way of playing as solid as it is Joost Patocka is one of a small group of musicians able to focus on both the past

#### Joost Patocka



protessorship in jazz studies at the Codarts University of the Arts in Rotterdam.

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"with a relentless force" hour Jazz New York describes Will as playing "with a relentless force" the world. Will has an international reputation as a leader and sideman. Alto Saxophonist/Composer Will Vinson has made his career in New York City and



#### PRESENTER FINAL

#### **BONGNCA**



of 5' on NPO Radio5. ZING! on NPO1! On Friday evenings she has her own radio show 'The Evening She also presented the TV program 'Amazing Grace' and last year the program She presented the music program Vrije Geluiden on television until the end of 2019. a Buma Zilveren Harp, the Laren Jazz Award and a 3FM Serious Talent Award. i'm Awake' and 'Satellite Love' were released. She won several prizes, including received a Golden Record for this. Afterwards, a second and third album 'While Giovanca's solo debut album 'Subway Silence' was released in 2008 and she

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Second Prize: €2.000,-

Incentive Prize: €1.000,-

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Best CvA soloist: participation in the Siena Jazz International Summer Workshop 2024

Best non-CvA soloist: participation in the KaE Summer Jazz Workshop 2024, Amsterdam

### **81 lingA JANI**

#### ENSEMBLE 3

Temple University Quintet (Boyer College of Music and Dance, Philadelphia)

Evan Kappelman – tenor saxophone Sapnar Banks – trumpet Anthony Aldissi – piano Emmy Rota – bass Maria Marmarou – drums



Anthony Aldissi is a pianist deeply inspired by Chick Corea and the Adderley brothers. Aldissi has recorded as a side man on numerous albums recorded across the states. Evan Kappelman is a multi-instrumentalist, composer, arranger and educator. Evan has received honors such as and a 2023 Downbeat Award Winner for the Graduate Jazz Compo division. Maria Marmarou is a graduate student at Temple University, where she is studying jazz drum set performance. She was awarded the Earl Hines Outstanding Musician award at the Jack Rudin Collegiate competition in 2023 at JALC.

Emmy Rota is a bassist. Before college, Emmy was a member of the inaugural year of the Jazz Houston Youth Orchestra, directed by JLCO lead trombonist Vincent Gardner. Banks Sapnar is an up-and-coming trumpet player. Banks has performed at venues such as the Kimmel Center, Jazz At Lincoln Center's Rose Hall, Dizzy's Club, among many others. He has shared the stage with legendary jazz artists such as Tim Warfield, Terell Stafford, Marshall Gilkes and Dick Oatts.

#### **ENSEMBLE 4**

#### Musikene, San Sebastian) Tolintet (Musikene, San Sebastian)

Eneko Diéguez – alto saxophone Miguel Parrondo – tenor saxophone Raúl Pérez – piano Nicolás Alvear – bass guitar Eneko Arbea – drums



From San Sebastian/Musikene we have this quintet formed by current students from 3rd and 4th year, young talents that are pushing in the scene in the north of Spain. Creative musicians and hard workers in their way to find own voices and languages, all their teachers are really convinced by their search and knowledge about tradition and look to the present showing persistence to express new forms in jazz. Usually they play as a quartet in multiple events in our city, and for the Award, Musikene added a close triend of them to form a quintet.

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#### ENSEMBLE 1

Milicya (University of Music and Performing Arts, Graz)

Milica Anđelid – vocals Martin Lajtman – piano Hrvoje Kralj – double bass Sebastian Baumgartner – drums



Wilicya" was formed in 2022 as a group of musicians who met at the University of Music and Performing Arts in Graz and shared the same passion for jazz. During this time, the genres and styles that we played fused and intertwined. The endless curiosity and experimenting brought us to a point of fusing Traditional Balkan Music with Traditional Jazz elements, exploring the beauty of arranging the Great American Songbook, and last but not least, finding our own sound in our original music. "I write melodies and lyrics inspired by my deepest worries as well as my greatest joy and have endless trust in my band to understand the emotion I wanted to bring. My influences vary from Balkan Traditional Music that I grew up with, Pop and R'n'B well as my greatest joy and have endless trust in my band to understand the emotion I wanted to bring. My influences vary from Balkan Traditional Music that I grew up with, Pop and R'n'B that I listened to most through my teens and all kinds of Jazz that I grew up with, Pop and R'n'B

#### **ENSEMBLE 2**

The New School, New York) New School, New York)

Pau Jorba – saxophone Noam Avnon – piano Kate Pass – bass Gary Jones III – percussions



Kate Pass is an award-winning bassist and composer. Kate leads "Kohesia Ensemble," which combines Iranian and Australian musicians and explores a combination of Persian music and jazz. Gary Jones III is a percussionist and composer who has drawn a tremendous influence from Cospel and Hip-Hop. Gary has a deep passion for creating and serving as a creative vessel. Noam Avnon is an emerging jazz pianist and composer. In his time in New York, he has devoted himself to developing his personal voice influenced primarily by his heroes of the 1950-60's. Pau Jorba is a saxophonist and composer. Jorba was mentored by Michael League, the band leader and bass player for Snarky Puppy. Michael supported and encouraged Pau to pursue a musical career in New York City. Andres Chilama is a guitarist who has a sound that is pursue a musical career in New York City. Andres Chilama is a guitarist who has a sound that is pursue a musical career in New York City. Andres Chilama is a guitarist who has a sound that is pursue a musical career in New York City. Andres Chilama is a guitarist who has a sound that is pursue a musical career in New York City. Andres Chilama is a guitarist who has a sound that is pursue a musical career in New York City. Andres Chilama is a guitarist who has a sound that is pursue a musical career in New York City. Andres Chilama is a guitarist who has a sound that is pursue a musical career in New York City. Andres Chilama is a guitarist who has a sound that is but not make the masters of this music and inspired by today's modern contemporaties.

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#### University of Music and Performing Arts, Graz

The University of Music and Performing Arts Graz (KUG) has around 2,200 students at its Graz and Oberschützen campuses and is an internationally renowned university offering a wide range of courses in music and performing arts. Located in the heart of Europe, we connect with the cultural heritage of our region while helping to shape current representations in contemporary promote the value of art, culture and academic scholarship in society. Here, the concept of para at the heart of cultural heritage of our region while helping to shape current representations in contemporary arts. We are involved in international developments in the arts, education and research, and promote the value of art, culture and academic scholarship in society. Here, the concept of arts are at the heart of our efforts. Our self-image as a university is based on top-quality teaching, particular emphasis on the interwaving of artistic practice, EEK and scholarship. We place and students work together as partners in a joint process of knowledge acquisition and development. As a place of education and as an employer, we see ourselves as part of an open, and arters exceiby. We believe that a conscious, sensitive approach towards gender, diversity and diverse society. We believe that a conscious, sensitive approach towards gender, diversity and an entr. As a place of education and as an employer, we see ourselves as part of an open, and streates acceiby. We believe that a conscious, sensitive approach towards gender, diversity and an entr. As a place of education and as an employer, we see ourselves as part of an open, and streates as a subjectice, EEK and scholarship. Teachers are subjective approach towards gender, diversity and an entr. As a place of education and as an employer, we see ourselves as part of an open, and streates are approach towards gender, diversity and an entr. As a place of education and as an employer, we see ourselves as part of an open, and streates areas and approach towards gender, diversity and an error and as an

#### Conservatorium van Amsterdam, Amsterdam

The Conservatorium van Amsterdam is deeply committed to excellence in education, performance and creative activity and to the cultural enrichment of the larger community. A premier international conservatory, we inspire and empower highly talented individuals to realize their potential. For this, we offer bachelor's and master's degree courses in classical, jazz and mance and main purpose of the Jazz program is to educate young, gifted students to become strong, independent and original musicians, who can perform, teach and write and above all shape independent and original musicians, who can perform, teach and write and above all shape their own musical future. The educational program, the faculty members, and a dynamic anvironment guarantee that those who are admitted can optimally develop their personal dualities. The rich cultural resources in Amsterdam, one of the leading musical centers of admittee. The rich cultural resources in Amsterdam, one of the leading musical centers of gualities. The rich cultural resources in Amsterdam, one of the leading musical centers of admittee that those who are admitted can optimally develop their personal gualities. The rich cultural resources in Amsterdam, one of the leading musical centers of all contribute to an optimal setting.



The following prestigious music schools of the United States and Europe will compete against each other in the Keep an Eye International Jazz Award 2024:

#### Musikene, San Sebastian

Musikene is the Higher School of Music of the Basque Country, set up by the Basque Government in the 2001-2002 academic year in order to offer a Higher Music Education. The school offers excellent instruction designed to guarantee fully qualified professionals capable of performing, composing, conducting and teaching. Bearing in mind the reality of the world of music in the 21st century, the main objective of the school is to provide students with the necessary training to guarantee a future career in music. One of the keys aspects of the educational philosophy at Musikene is the attention to the development of each student's talent. With this philosophy, students at Musikene become experts in their field.

#### Boyer College of Music & Dance, Philadelphia

The Boyer College of Music and Dance offers over 500 events open to the public each year. Students have the unique opportunity to interact with leading performers, composers, conductors, educators, choreographers and guest artists while experiencing a challenging and diverse academic curriculum. The Boyer faculty are recognized globally as leaders in their respective fields. Boyer alumni are ambassadors of artistic leadership and perform with major orchestras, opera and dance companies, teach at schools and colleges and work as professional music therapists, choreographers and composers. Boyer's recording label, BCM&D records, therapists, choreographers and composers. Boyer's recording label, BCM&D records, therapists, choreographers and composers. Boyer's recording label, BCM&D records, therapists, choreographers and composers. Boyer's recording label, BCM&D records, therapists, choreographers and composers. Boyer's recording label, BCM&D records, therapists, choreographers and composers. Boyer's recording label, BCM&D records, therapists, choreographers and composers. Boyer's recording label, BCM&D records, therapists, choreographers and composers. Boyer's recording label, BCM&D records, therapists, choreographers and composers. Boyer's recording label, BCM&D records, therapists, choreographers and composers. Boyer's recording label, BCM&D records, therapists, choreographers and composers. Boyer's recording label, BCM&D records, therapists, choreographers and composers. Boyer's recording label, BCM&D records, therapists, choreographers and composers. Boyer's recording label, BCM&D records, the state state states are states and states are an excerter an excerter an excerter an excerter and states are an excerter an exc

#### The School of Jazz & Contemporary Music at the New School, New York

The School of Jazz and Contemporary Music is renowned across the globe as a center for progressive, ground-breaking artists. Considered the most innovative school of its kind, it offers students an artist-as-mentor approach to learning.

This is a rare place where students can pursue what makes their artistic voice unique. We encourage students to explore their own talents and reach across disciplines to construct new rhythms, inventive compositions, and original means of expression. There are nearly 80 ensembles students can play in each semester.

Outside the classroom, New York City becomes a performance hall. Play in clubs, concert halls, and venues throughout New York and in festivals and exchange programs around the world. Students will be immersed not only in the newest music but also in the nuances of the music industry. Our curriculum allows students to infuse their music education with elements of design, literature, history, journalism and more. The results of this university-wide interconnectivity can be seen in the success of our alumni in a range of genres and categories of creative work, both in and outside of music.

