

THE GREAT HARRY HILLMAN

Press Kit
2017

Press Text

That the hurdler Harry Hillman deserved his own band became clear after he won three gold medals at the Olympic Games in 1904. Exactly 105 years later he got it: "The Great Harry Hillman". This band is full of life! Through extensive touring in Europe, the band has developed a unique, distinct and catchy sound, which has been captured on the three albums "Livingston" (2013), "Veer Off Course" (2015) and „TILT“ (2017 - Cuneiform Records). Their entirely original compositions are written with a passion for detail, only to be at times interrupted by intense improvisation. This is the jazz of today, and Harry Hillman would be pleased.

Line up

Nils Fischer – Reeds
David Koch – Git, EfX
Samuel Huwyler – E-Bass, EfX
Dominik Mahnig – Drums

Biographies of the musicians:
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History of the Band

- 2017** Gig at Moods Zurich (Switzerland) with Live-Clip-Production, Production of a 360° Music Clip, Collaboration „The True Harry Nulz“ with the Band „Edi Nulz“ - Concerts in Bern (Switzerland) and Dresden (Germany), Concert Tour in Italy and Germany, **Release of 3rd Studio Album „Tilt“ (May 26, 2017; Cuneiform Records)**, Japan-Tour (May 2017)
- 2016** Festival Show „Kultursommer Germersheim“ (Germany), Label Swiss Festival (Switzerland), Europe-Tour in BE/NL/DE/CH/LI, Studio Recording of 3rd Album (Label: Cuneiform Records)
- 2015** Festival appearance at the 'Suisse Diagonales Jazz Festival', Studio recording for second album „Veer Off Course“, Winner of the ZKB Jazz Prize 2015, CD release tour in Germany, Belgium, UK, Switzerland)
- 2014** New Year's Tour in Switzerland and Germany (5 concerts), Video recording: 'Rabbit People'
- 2013** Festival appearance at the 'Stanser Musiktage' Switzerland, Masters degree concert in Lucerne, CD release concert in Zürich, Autumn tour in Germany and Belgium (13 concerts)
- 2012** Winter Tour in Austria, Germany and Switzerland (in co- operation with the Piotr Powlak Sextett from Austria), Bachelor degree concert in Cologne, Festival appearance at 'Kultursommer' in Germersheim Germany, Autumn tour in Germany and Switzerland (19 concerts), Recording session for the album 'Livingston'
- 2011** Bachelor degree concert in Lucerne, Autumn Tour to Germany and Switzerland (10 concerts), Demo-recording
- 2010** First concerts in Switzerland and Germany
- 2009** Establishment of the band in Lucerne

Past Gigs [Selection]

- Switzerland** Jazznojazz Festival Zurich, Stanser Musiktage Stans Label Suisse Festival Lausanne, Theater Tuchlaube Aarau, BeJazz Bern, Moods Zurich, Café du Soleil, Saignelégier, Casa Cavalier Olivone, Jazz in Olten, EXIL Zurich, Literaturcafé Biel, Kleintheater Lucerne, Bird's Eye Basel, Isebähnli Baden
- Belgium** Hot Club de Gand Gent, Café Roskam Brussels, De Kleine Kunst Gent
- UK** Vortex London
- Italy** JAM-Festival Venedig, Macao Mailand, Café des Arts Turin
- Germany** b-flat Berlin, Loft Köln, Jazzclub Hirsch Moosburg, Kulturzentrum Lagerhaus Bremen, Café Wagner Jena Galerie KUB Leipzig, Salon Hansen Lüneburg, Kulturhaus III & 70 Hamburg, Dumont Aachen, Stecken Köln, C-Keller Weimar, Kiste Stuttgart, Schon Schön Mainz, Saxstall Pohrsdorf
- Austria** KUG Graz
- Netherlands** Intro in Situ - Maastricht

Upcoming Gigs [Selection]

Japan Tour 2017

- 06.05.2017 Apollo – Shimo-Kitazawa, Tokyo JPN
07.05.2017 Gig – Yokohama JPN
08.05.2017 Star Eyes – Nagoya JPN
09.05.2017 Mokkiriya – Kanazawa JPN
10.05.2017 UrBANGUILD – Kyoto JPN
11.05.2017 Left Alone – Ashiya, JPN
13.05.2017 Bird – Hiroshima JPN
14.05.2017 Candy – Chiba JPN
15.05.2017 Tokyo Club Meguro – Meguro, Tokyo JPN
16.05.2017 Airegin – Yokohama JPN

11.06.2017 Hot Club Gent – Gent BE

- Sept 2017 Switzerland Tour TBA
Oct 2017 Germany Tour TBA
Nov 2017 Austria Tour TBA

Promo Text

„The Great Harry Hillman“ is a Swiss working collective existing since 2008. The four young musicians meet consistently to melt their individual musical influences into what makes this group so strong: original, untamed music. The dedication with which “The Great Harry Hillman” pursues its goals pays off: In 2015, the group won the ZKB Jazz Prize in Zurich. Together, they play extensive tours throughout Europe and in May 2017 they release the third album „TILT“ [Cuneiform Records].

Quote

„The Great Harry Hillman – the current definition of what it means to be a new young modern jazz band in these times. Four very strong individual musicians come together to create an extremely personal style of music that could only exist through time invested band chemistry. From fragile melodies, twisted grooves, to massive band climaxes, they deliver flawless and exciting music.“

Jim Black 2015

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