



## PRESS RELEASE

### JAZZ AT BRAN CASTLE 7<sup>th</sup> edition, August 23<sup>rd</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> 2019

JAZZ FESTIVALS & EVENTS Cultural Foundation, in partnership with the Administration Company of the Bran Domain, is organizing the seventh edition of the **JAZZ AT BRAN CASTLE** Festival between August 23<sup>rd</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> 2019. The concerts will take place in the already traditional locations: the inner courtyard of the **Bran Castle** and the **Râșnov Evangelical Church**.

This year, 20 artists from five countries will meet an audience with a passion for jazz, original sounds and new projects. Some will showcase their new albums while others will reunite with friends they have not performed with in years.

The honor of opening the first day of the festival goes to Italian bandoneonist **Daniele Di Bonaventura**, seconded by the volcanic pianist **Giovanni Guidi**. Their project, **CLOSER**, will enchant with its poetry and restlessness, with the brilliant meld of tango and blues with the melancholy of the Mediterranean. The second group of the evening requires no presentation: **Tord Gustavsen Trio**, with their most recent album, **THE OTHER SIDE**, released in August, at ECM.

The second day begins at the **Râșnov Evangelical Church**. The baroque ambiance will be the setting for the music of **Gavino Murgia Duo**, in a homage paid to the great John Coltrane. Later in the evening, at 7 pm, the host is once again the Castle for two exceptional concerts: **Espen Eriksen Trio**, alongside versatile sax player **Andy Sheppard**, with their project **PERFECTLY UNHAPPY**, and the **DREAM WEAVERS**, presented by three musicians that will yet again surprise their audience: **Gavino Murgia, Nguyen Le** and **Mino Cinelu**.

The Râșnov Church starts the third and last day of the festival with another incredible concert: **Bruno Helstoffer** will "call on the muses" by way of the theorbo. As the last chords still reverberate we will move again to the Castle's inner courtyard. Cellist **Vincent Courtois** will interact with **Daniel Erdmann, Robin Fincker** and **Benjamin Moussay** in their project, **WEST**. The evening will close with the songs of the album **RELAXIN' IN IRELAND (ACT)**, where the trumpet of **Julian Wasserfuhr** will sound alongside the piano (**Roman Wasserfuhr**) and cello (**Jorg Brinkmann**).

For three memorable days, jazz, the unequalled beauty of the Bran castle and the Râșnov Evangelical Church will become the magnetic pole for all quality music lovers.

Concerts will start on **Friday, August 23<sup>rd</sup>**, until **Sunday, August 25<sup>th</sup>**, in the **Râșnov Evangelical Church**, starting at 12 o'clock, and in the **Bran Castle**, starting at 7pm, as follows:



Friday, August 23<sup>rd</sup>, 7:00 pm

**Daniele Di Bonaventura - Giovanni Guidi Duo - Closer**

**Tord Gustavsen Trio - The Other Side**

Saturday, August 24<sup>th</sup>

12:00 pm, Râșnov Evangelical Church

**Gavino Murgia Duo - A love Supreme - A tribute to John Coltrane**

7:00 pm, Bran Castle

**Espen Eriksen Trio with Andy Sheppard - Perfectly Unhappy**

**Gavino Murgia, Nguyen Le & Mino Cinelu - Dream Weavers**

Sunday, August 25<sup>th</sup>

12:00 pm, Râșnov Evangelical Church

**Bruno Helstroffer - Calling the Muse**

7:00 pm, Bran Castle

**Vincent Courtois, Daniel Erdmann, Robin Fincker & Benjamin Moussay - WEST**

**Julian Wasserfuhr, Roman Wasserfuhr, Jorg Brinkmann - Relaxin' in Ireland**

The presenter of the festival is **Paul Tutungiu**, member of the **Jazz Festivals & Events Foundation**.

More details on the official festival website: [www.jazzevents.ro](http://www.jazzevents.ro)

Tickets: [www.eventim.ro](http://www.eventim.ro)

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