# MUSIC

## ESTONIA

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#### MUSIC ESTONIA

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### DELEGATES FROM ESTONIA AT JAZZAHEAD! 2024



## ORGANISATIONS



#### **AVE SOPHIA TÖLPT** Director

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Ave Sophia Maria Tölpt, currently serving her second term as the Director of Music Estonia, previously held the position of Executive Director at Jazz Estonia. She has also contributed to the field of music as a guest author and radio host at Estonian Public Broadcasting, including Klassikaraadio, as well as in other media outlets. She is the first Estonian Ambassador for Keychange and a Member of the Music Endowment Committee of Cultural Endowment Estonia. Additionally, since 2024, she has been honored to serve as the General Secretary on the board of EMEE, the European Music Exporters Exchange.



## GREETE PARŠIN

Project Manager greete@musicestonia.eu

Greete Paršin joins Music Estonia with a rich background in cultural management. Her expertise, gained as a music manager for Holy Motors and roles at prestigious labels like Beggars Group and Wharf Cat Records in NYC, aligns perfectly with ME mission. Greete's experience in promoting music globally, combined with her creative approach at organizing events, marketing cultural products and services and running her own retail business equips her to significantly advance Estonian music on the world stage.



Music Estonia is a music industry development center and export office in Estonia, which represents over 100 music companies. Music Estonia is a member of EMEE, IAMIC, Live DMA, and EMMA, and a partner in European projects. Music Estonia has two branches – Music Estonia Live and Music Estonia Managers.

## JAZZ ESTONIA

jazz.ee

The aim of Jazz Estonia is to develop and advance Estonian jazz music both at home and abroad. Jazz Estonia organises concerts and thematic events, collects and shares information about Estonian jazz music and musicians, organises cooperation projects and searches for additional funding for developing Estonian jazz music further.



#### KIRKE KARJA Chairman

Chairman kirkekarja@gmail.com

Estonian artist Kirke Karja has studied piano, composition and free improvisation; in 2022 she finished doctoral studies in jazz music composition. Her main projects are international trio Karja/Renard/Wandinger and solo concerts. Kirke is a chairman of the board of Jazz Estonia and is responsible for international relations.





Guitarist and composer Jaak Sooäär has been one of the busiest jazz musicians of the Baltics during the last decades. He was the first chairman of Estonian Jazz Union/Jazz Estonia (2004-2009) and belongs to the board until today.



#### **ELO-LIIS PARMAS** Executive Director

Executive Directo eloliis@jazz.ee

Elo-Liis Parmas has been active in the field of culture since 2004, having previously worked as a producer, project manager and marketer in theater, music and film industry. She is the Executive Director of Jazz Estonia. She is responsible for the daily work of the organization and its executive team and represents Jazz Estonia both locally and internationally.



## ANETT TAMM

Artist alonettemusic@gmail.com anetttamm.com

Anett Tamm is a singer, improviser and composer who works in projects with diverse sounds and artistic ambitions. Anett's main projects include the indie-jazz duo TamTam with bass player Karl Tammaru, the alternative folk-pop solo project Alonette, the art-pop band Alfa Collective and the contemporary and improvisational jazz ensemble Anemoon.

## JAZZKAAR FESTIVALS

jazzkaar.ee

Tallinn International Festival Jazzkaar is one of the flagship music events in Estonian culture and the biggest jazz festival in the Baltic countries. Well known for its unique and richly varied programme and bold solutions, Jazzkaar has been taking place annually since 1990.



ANNE ERM

Director and art director of the festival anne@jazzkaar.ee

Anne Erm, the founder of Jazzkaar festival, have been the artistic director of the festival for 35 years. She has been active in the field of music more than 50 years working at Estonian Radio, producing the festivals and developing Estonian jazz music scene. The Grand Old lady of Estonian Jazz!



#### **BIRGIT KRULLO** Programme manager, artist

Programme manager, artist service birgit@jazzkaar.ee

Having previously worked as a project manager in public sector as well as in theatre and film industry, Birgit Krullo assists the artistic director of Jazzkaar Mrs. Anne Erm, manages bookings, implements and maintains programme initiatives.



## ANU LUIK

Producer, coordinator of volunteers anu@jazzkaar.ee

Anu Luik has been active in the field for more than 25 years. She is responsible for daily work of Jazzkaar festivals and represents festival both locally and internationally.

## **FIENTA**

Across Europe, a diverse array of music events, from jazz clubs in London to festivals in Ireland, already entrust their ticketing to Fienta. Our strength lies in fan engagement and a deep understanding of lead and buyer origins, empowering you to optimize your digital marketing. We're focused on connecting you with your audience and offering insights for enhanced event success. If you're dedicated to creating memorable events and seek a ticketing partner that understands your needs, let's meet at jazzahead!



LIINA AMON liina@fienta.com fienta.com

Liina Amon has a rich background spanning music, business, and cultural management. Initially starting her career as a musician in jazz, Liina transitioned to the world of business, earning a degree in business finance. Currently, she plays a pivotal role in driving growth at Fienta, leveraging her diverse skill set to innovate and expand the company.





Kätlin-Carolin Noormägi is Fienta's social media and marketing manager, applying her expertise in entrepreneurship and project management to drive customer success. Additionally, she serves as community manager for the Latitude59 business conference, showcasing her diverse skills. Passionate about events and immersed in music and startup culture, she is currently studying marketing in Leipzig to enhance her knowledge.

## ERR / ESTONIAN PUBLIC BROADCASTING

err.ee





Ivo Heinloo is working in cultural journalism, having more than 10 years of experience working in the radio at Estonian Public Broadcasting, focusing mainly on music and jazz music in particular.



## PROFESSIONALS



#### ANNA LEA HAAMER Vocalist, composer, educator annalea.haamer@gmail.com

Anna Lea Haamer, a jazz vocalist, composer and educator, dazzles with her ability to mix different musical styles, infusing them with a playful touch in her vocal expressions. Her lyrics are not just relatable but also delve into the depths of the human psyche, adding another layer of depth to her artistry. In 2019, Anna Lea formed her first group Anna Lea Haamer Quintet, leading as both the vocalist and composer. In 2023, she also created a smaller group the Anna Lea Haamer Trio.



## ANNA REGINA KALK

Anna Kalk Guitarist, composer annareginakalk@gmail.com

Anna Kalk is a guitarist and a composer. Based between Estonia and Switzerland, she is playing concerts around Europe with one of her many ensembles such as Assonance, Noblique, Kalk/Baillod/Kaeser, EDNA, Anna Kalk Quartet and Anemoon.



## BIBI LOTTA LADVA

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Bibi Lotta Ladva is a cellist who is interested in jazz and improvisational music. Loves good dogs, music, food, and being in nature.



## HENRIK EHTE

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Henrik Ehte is the manager of Rita Ray and initiator of Funk Embassy - an award-winning music company. Recently he opened up Selektor Studio, a recording studio and music service provider in Tallinn.



## KARL MADIS PENNAR

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Pennar, a guitarist, composer and arranger from Estonia, leads the international jazz crossover sextet known as Project Pennar founded in 2023. The group performs original music composed by Karl Madis Pennar. Joining them as the 7th member and a featured artist on their upcoming live album 'Journeys Abroad' is the award-winning trumpeter, James Copus.





Karl Tammaru is an electric bass player and composer. Blends all sorts of different genres in all sorts of different musical settings. Also likes skateboarding.



#### KASPAR KLUGE Paavli Kultuurivabrik

Venue, manager kaspar@kultuurivabrik.ee

Musician, engineer, manager and CEO of 360-degree music company BSR. Production manager at Võnge Festival, Tallinn Music Week & Intsikurmu Festival.



## LAURI KADALIPP

New Wind Jazz Orchestra Artist, booking info@nwjo.ee newwindjazzorchestra.com

Lauri Kadalipp, an award-winning Estonian composer, producer, and multi-instrumentalist, is the founder and current artistic director of the New Wind Jazz Orchestra. In recent years, he has been an active figure in the Estonian jazz scene, curating the lineup for Philly Joe's Jazz Club from 2018 to 2020 and steering Jazz Estonia, first as a board member and then as chairman, from 2019 to 2023.



## LISANNE PAPPEL

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Lisanne Pappel is a jazz pianist from Estonia. Currently, she is studying at the Conservatory of Amsterdam. Among others, she is a member of the Living Room Quintet, Duo Tundmus and has recorded music with Sandra Eowyn Karu.



## MAARJA AARMA

Maarja Aarma MA Performing, songwriting maarja.aarma@gmail.com maband.ee

Maarja Aarma is a vocalist and songwriter. As the leader of a soul music influenced quartet Maarja Aarma MA she has released two studio albums - "Queenland" (2022) and "Connected Through" (2019). The spotlight has shone brightly on Maarja Aarma MA's music at the esteemed International Songwriting Competition (ISC) where their single "Hazy Day" propelled them to the finals, while compositions "A Sparkle", "Give a Little Faith" and "Don't Throw This Heart Around" secured spots in the semi-finals.



#### MARCUS TUUL Guitarist

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Marcus Tuul is a guitar player from Tartu, Estonia. He has studied in Viljandi Culture academy and Metropolia University of Applied Sciences. Among others he has played and recorded music with Ingrid Rabi, INGRA, Anna Lea Haamer Quintet, Living Room Quintet, Sandra Eowyn Karu and Any Key Trio.



## MINGO RAJANDI

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Mingo Rajandi is a composer, musician and creator of interdisciplinary projects, originally from Estonia and now based in Brussels.





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## REBECCA KONTUS

Rebecca Studio Artist rebecca@rebeccakontus.com Rebeccakontus.com

Rebecca Kontus is a composer and singer who is difficult to categorize in terms of genre. Her mild timbre sounds very good in jazz, but the singer is experimenting in various styles - from jazz to rock. She has studied music both in Estonia and in France, she has two master degrees - one in architecture and the second in music where she specialized in jazz.



## SUSANNA ALEKSANDRA

Susanna Aleksandra Artist, management info@susannaaleksandra.com susannaaleksandra.com

Singer, songwriter, and lyricist Susanna Aleksandra is celebrated for her vocal versatility and expressive storytelling. While rooted and trained in jazz, she is a dynamic artist capable of spanning multiple genres, highlighting her adaptability and breadth as a solo performer.



## TANEL RUBEN

Tanel Ruben Quintet Musician, teacher tanel.ruben@gmail.com, tanelruben.com

Musician, drummer, lecturer, composer. Actively works as a musician since the 1990s.

## **EVENT TICKETING** FOR AND SOCIAL MEDIA **ERA**

## fienta.com



From 2022, Tallinn is part of the UNESCO Creative Cities Network as a City of Music. This title is certainly a quality mark for our music scene today, bringing even more music to Tallinn and making the city more desirable place to live. The title City of Music gives wings to young talents and opens new opportunities for creators and performers as well as organisers.

## FESTIVALS

## CHRISTMAS JAZZ

Tallinn End of November, beginning of December **jazzkaar.ee** 

Intimate and serene-sounding festival with varied concerts.

## FESTIVAL JUU JÄÄB

Muhumaa July **juujaab.ee** 

Cultural event on the tiny island of Muhu.

### IDEEJAZZ

Tartu and Narva November ideejazz.ee

Festival of good vibes - jazz and rhythm music.

#### JAZZKAAR Tallian

Tallinn April jazzkaar.ee

Biggest jazz festival in the Baltics: unique programing, daring productions.

## SÕRU JAZZ

Hiiumaa June, the weekend before Midsummer's Eve **kaunismuusika.ee** 

Celebrates the arrival of summer in the boat huts of Orjaku, Kalana, and Sõru.

### TALLINN CHILDREN'S JAZZ FESTIVAL "KRÄSH"

Tallinn June **festivalkrash.ee** 

Organised at the initiative of Jazzkaar and Tallinn – UNESCO City of Music, the festival features music camps, workshops, meetings and a two-day festival with concerts inspired by rhythmic music.

### TAFF:FEST

Haapsalu July tafffestival.ee

Melts the best Estonian jazz music and the spirit of the beautiful town.

## TALLINN MUSIC WEEK

Tallinn May **tmw.ee** 

The leading discovery festival of tomorrow's music, arts and ideas in the Baltic-Nordic region.

### TUJA JAZZ FESTIVAL

Various cities March **tuja.ee** 

Estonia's longest running jazz festival, dedicated to students of jazz music and their fresh ideas.

## VILJANDI KITARRIFESTIVAL

Viljandi October **viljandiguitar.ee** 

Guitar festival promoting improvisational and crossstylistic playing skills.

## VENUES

#### CULTURE CLUB BAAS

Tallinna maantee 5, Rapla loomebaas.ee Former premises of a bus center, that hosts theater plays, concerts, talk-shows, movie and film as well as the alternative culture festival SÄRIN.

#### ENDLA JAZZKLUBI

Keskväljak 1, Pärnu endla.ee/jazzklubi/ Concerts take place in Endla Theatre's café every other Friday.

#### FOTOGRAFISKA

Telliskivi 60a/8, Tallinn fotografiska.com/tallinn/ Internationally renowned photography centre with an exhibition and events space.

#### HAAPSALU JAZZIKLUBI

Posti 3, Haapsalu kultuurimaja.ee Haapsalu Cultural Centre is charged with the task of organising local cultural life and is home to a jazz club.

#### JAZZ TIME CLUB

Kesk 24, Sillamäe kultuurikeskus-sillamae.ee Operating out of Sillamäe Cultural Centre with the slogan "Jazz for everyone".

#### PAAVLI KULTUURIVABRIK

Paavli 7, Tallinn kultuurivabrik.ee Paavli Culture Factory is a new magnet on Tallinn's cultural map, which will become one of the capital's most important events and leisure centers.

#### PAIDE CULTURAL CENTER

Pärnu 18, Paide pamt.ee A vibrant and exciting cultural hub that offers a range of activities and attractions. From art galleries and museums to concerts and workshops, there's something for everyone!

#### PHILLY JOE'S JAZZ CLUB

Vabaduse väljak 10, Tallinn phillyjoes.com Award winning club that aims to bring musicians and listeners together in the perfect space.

#### PÕLVA JAZZIKLUBI

Kesk 15, Põlva kultuurikeskus.ee Põlva Culture and Interest Center offers monthly concert series ranging from jazz to rock to punk in a relaxed atmosphere.

#### SAARE KEK

Ringtee 15, Kuressaare saarekek.ee KEK stands for "Kena Elu Keskus": the center of a nice life. Located in the island's capital, Saare KEK plays host to monthly jazz concerts.

#### ŠAMPANJABAAR JA RESTO KORK

Sadama tänav 30a, Kärdla sampanja.ee Located in Kärdla Harbour, Champagne bar and restaurant KORK boasts a cozy atmosphere to enjoy a sunset and a concert.

#### TERMINAL RECORDS&BAR

Telliskivi 60/2, Tallinn terminal.ee A record store, bar and venue all in one - the first of its kind in Estonia.

#### TÜRI JAZZIKLUBI

Hariduse 1, Türi tyrikultuurikeskus.ee A place where ideas can be implemented and dreams – however big or small– can be realised. Hosts theatre performances, concerts, exhibitions, meetings and parties.

#### VIIMSI ARTIUM

Randvere tee 20, Viimsi viimsiartium.ee The Cultural Centre Viimsi Artium with its multifaceted arts venue is a contemporary interdisciplinary hub for the arts, which brings together performing and visual arts with music, film, and science.

#### VÕRU KANNEL

Liiva 13, Võru vorukannel.ee Võru Kannel has developed into a multifunctional cultural center of the city of Võru. Võru Kannel is promoting local culture and providing cultural services through all forms of art.

