

Laurent Méteau's

METABOLISM



Building on a remarkable start since its inception, with thanks to their debut album "reanimation" (2013) as well as appearances in crazy surgeon outfits, the seven members of Laurent Méteau's METABOLISM will present their new album "UTOPIA" this November.

Several international tours, along with participation in prestigious events including the ZKB Jazzpreis 2012, radio show JazzZ on Espace 2 in 2013, the Label Suisse festival 2014 and Suisse Diagonales Jazz 2015 has made their music evolve and has allowed the band to focus on the fundamentals.

No more masks, no more scalpels! The new direction for these former doctors dressed in green and turquoise leaves room for a more interactive form of expression, where each musician's personality enhances the compositions of bandleader Laurent Méteau.

Drawing inspiration from architectural avant-garde styles like the Japanese Metabolist movement, Laurent Méteau has designed the new pieces' plans, leaving space for his bandmates' talents alongside his utopian vision of the music.

A musical renewal captured in the mountains of east Switzerland, in a house temporarily transformed into a recording studio. Limited technical equipment, analog post-production ; Laurent Méteau's METABOLISM's fascinating universe is materialised on the self-produced "UTOPIA" LP, which will be released with a tour in Switzerland, Germany, Belgium and Czech Republic from the 3rd - 18th of November 2015.

band name:

Laurent Méteau's METABOLISM

line up:

Laurent Méteau, electric guitar, composition
Adrien Guerne, tenor sax
Nils Fischer, bariton & sopran sax
Ingo Hipp, sopran & alto sax
Philipp Schlotter, rhodes
Samuel Huwyler, electric bass
Jwan Steiner, drums

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music:

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<http://laurentmeteaumetabolism.bandcamp.com/>

see the tour dates

<http://www.laurentmeteau.ch/shows/>

videos:

Clip 1: Promotion video / Suisse Diagonales Jazz (2015)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fZ1HTOqLBNO>

Clip 2: 480 Days / recorded live @ RTS studio (2013)

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4qxK7Kt_bs8

Clip 3: My Sweet 15 / recorded @ Studio Gabriel (2012)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fJDsBVcp1U4>

upcoming shows:

<i>Venue</i>	<i>City</i>	<i>Date</i>
Waldsee	Freiburg i.B. (D)	03.11.2015
RTS Espace 2 – émission JazzZ	Lausanne	04.11.2015
CCL	St-Imier	05.11.2015
Esse Bar	Winterthur	06.11.2015
Roskam	Brussels (B)	08.11.2015
TBA	Brussels (B)	09.11.2015
Damberd	Gent (B)	10.11.2015
KoHi	Karlsruhe (D)	11.11.2015
Neubad	Luzern	12.11.2015
Wohnungskonzert	Bern	14.11.2015
Jazz Dock	Praha (CZ)	15.11.2015
C.Keller	Weimar (D)	16.11.2015
Café Wagner	Jena (D)	17.11.2015
Saxstall	Pohrsdorf (D)	18.11.2015

past shows:

<i>Venue</i>	<i>City</i>	<i>Date</i>
Jazzkantine	Luzern	28.04.2010
Sonarraum U64	Bern	27.09.2010
Bird's Eye	Basel	28.09.2010
Aula de l'EJMA	Lausanne	01.10.2010
Mehrspur	Zürich	02.10.2010
Le Bout du Monde	Vevey	19.02.2011
Le Bar Cintra	Fribourg	01.05.2011
Moods im Schiffbau	Zürich	10.01.2012
Prima Vista	Baden	22.02.2012
Esse Bar	Winterthur	23.02.2012
Moods im Schiffbau	Zürich	01.06.2012
Jazzkantine	Luzern	06.06.2012
Theater am Gleis	Winterthur	03.04.2013
Dolder2	Schaffhausen	04.04.2013
EXIL	Zürich	08.04.2013
Ono	Bern	10.04.2013
Le Bout du Monde	Vevey	11.04.2013
Stanser Musiktage	Stans	13.04.2013
Presseklub	Erfurt (D)	14.04.2013
C.Keller	Weimar (D)	15.04.2013
Waldsee	Freiburg i.B. (D)	16.04.2013
Blue Notes	Lahr (D)	17.04.2013
Gewerbehalle	Luzern	18.04.2013
UFO	Biel/Bienne	19.04.2013
Café du Soleil	Saignelégier	20.04.2013
Eisenwerk	Frauenfeld	24.04.2013
Jazzkantine	Luzern	04.06.2013
Jazzclub Aarau	Aarau	19.09.2013
RTS Espace 2 – émission JazzZ	Lausanne	27.11.2013
Weekly Jazz	Chur	03.12.2013
KoHi	Karlsruhe (D)	04.12.2013
Kiste	Stuttgart (D)	05.12.2013
Kasseturm	Weimar (D)	06.12.2013

Kunsthof	Jena (D)	07.12.2013
Bird's Eye	Basel	01.04.2014
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Literatur Café	Biel/Bienne	03.04.2014
Bar King	Neuchâtel	09.04.2014
BeJazz Sommer Festival	Bern	31.07.2014
Zelt-Musik-Festival / ZMF	Freiburg i.B. (D)	01.08.2014
Le Romandie / Label Suisse	Lausanne	20.09.2014
Les Murs du Son / Le Petit Paris	La Chaux-de-Fonds	24.10.2014
EXIL	Zürich	27.10.2014
Mahogany Hall	Bern	30.10.2014
Jazzlounge	Rieselfeld (D)	02.11.2014
Schlosskeller	Emmendingen (D)	06.11.2014
Alte Post	Rottweil (D)	07.11.2014
Décal'Quai	Montreux	08.11.2014
Meck à Frick	Frick	15.01.2015
Jazz in Bess	Lugano	17.01.2015
Musig-im-Ochsen	Muri	18.01.2015
Haberhaus	Schaffhausen	22.01.2015
Live in Vevey (Oriental)	Vevey	07.02.2015
Moods im Schiffbau	Zürich	10.02.2015
Jazz en Rade	Le Pont / Lac de Joux	07.08.2015
Hors-Tribu	Môtiers	08.08.2015

critic:

"I have had the opportunity to watch Laurent Méteau's Metabolism project develops over several years, into a remarkable platform for his personal vision of ensemble music. His group consists of musicians with whom he has been working for an extended period and who, through the process of mastering Laurent's challenging musical materials, have achieved a group sound that is on every level a convincing blend of the personal improvisational gifts of each of his players, as well as a mutual understanding and dedication of his band members to bring the best qualities forward of Laurent's music to his audience."

Gerry Hemingway

