

# BAD ASS JAZZ

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BOOKLET

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# **Welcome to the Bad Ass Jazz (BAZZ) Festival 2023!**

**We feel very lucky that you've chosen to explore with us!  
In this booklet you'll find important information about the festival, yours  
and other people's safety, so please read it carefully!**

## **MISSION**

**Our mission is to celebrate human expression, while honoring evolution, similarities and differences of a wide range of African-Diasporic dances. We want to create a space where various artistic and cultural perspectives interact and recreate missing links. We believe in the vision that Street & Club dances could share the same space today with Jazz, so therefore we're doing our first step in creating this space now.**

# OUR BAZZ TEACHERS



**POPPING  
DANYSS**



**SABOU**



**HELENA  
KANINI  
KIIRU**



**JOYSS**



**REMY  
KOUAKOU  
KOUAME**



# CODE OF SAFETY & SUPPORT

We want all BAZZ participants to feel welcome and comfortable. Creating a safe space is each participants responsibility so we expect you to read carefully.

- Please respect and acknowledge everyone, regardless of race, age, gender identity, sexual orientation & social class.
- Welcome and treat all the bodies the same. Appearance and body size are just a surface of a whole human being and those do not determine anyones value.
- Embrace and normalize anything that might feel unfamiliar to you, e.g women with body hair, LGBTQIA+ etc. Acknowledge for yourself if you feel any discomfort while encountering what's unfamiliar to you and let other people be.
- As we want to create an environment of free self expression, we also ask you to welcome differences in dance skills, abilities and dance style.
- Avoid degrading speech or negative comparison about any of the previously mentioned traits.
- In cases of partner dancing, please make sure you have a clear consent of another person to dance with them. Make sure that you have a clear consent of another person before leading any dips and tricks. Keep in mind that some people aren't comfortable with those, and not all bodies are of the same agility and that you could hurt someone.
- We ask you respect other peoples "NO" for an answer, both on and outside the dance floor. That way, we can build a stronger culture of consent together.

## SUPPORT TEAM

Any disrespectful and dangerous behavior, sexual harassment, racist, sexist or homophobic insults towards others will result in exclusion from the Bad Ass Jazz Festival, without any compensation or refund. If you notice anything wrong during the event, please reach out to us.

A circular portrait of Teodora Kasabova, a woman with curly dark hair, wearing a bright orange button-down shirt, standing with her hands on her hips. The background is a light-colored wall with a faint, repeating pattern of stylized figures.

**TEODORA KASABOVA**

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A circular portrait of Mila Biesot, a woman with short brown hair and glasses, wearing a grey and white patterned top. The background is a light-colored wall with a faint, repeating pattern of stylized figures.

**MILA BIESOT**

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## PRACTICAL

### PARTIES & CLASSES VENUE

All the classes, parties and meals will happen at The monumental art nouveau De Kompaszaal (KZ) & LOODS6



KZ- De Kompaszaal & Loods6  
KNSM-Laan 311, 1019 LE Amsterdam  
Phone: 003120 419 9596



### REGISTRATIONS TIMES

THU> 20:30-22:30

FRI> 15:30-23:00

SAT> 10:30-14:00

# FOOD & DRINKS

At the venue you can enjoy delicious coffee with options of plant based milk and a variety of alcoholic and non-alcoholic drinks. All the meals will be served in the KZ Ballroom & will be vegan.

You can pay (if you have not yet) for your food and pick up your vouchers throughout the registration time. Additional snacks will be available for purchase, we are sure you won't remain hungry.

## WATER CONSUMPTION

During the classes, please feel free to bring your own water bottle or you can get water at the venue. During the parties, we ask you to LEAVE your water bottle at home, you can get FREE water at the bar, but we really hope you will support the venue by buying drinks. The venue also serves Coconut Water which is full of minerals and keeps you better hydrated than regular water.



## MEALS SCHEDULE

**Friday dinner** 19:00-20:00h

**Saturday lunch** 14:00-15:00/ **Dinner** 19:00-20:00h

**Sunday lunch** 14:00-15:00/ **Dinner** 19:00-20:00h

Please NOTE we ask you to leave the room after the slot for the meal is finished as we will be starting classes directly after.

# CLASSES

- Levels **Kick Ass** & **BAZZ Pro** will take place in the upper KZ Ballroom & in Loods6. Level **Chillax** will take place in the KZ Ballroom.
- Teachers will provide you with breaks intuitively during the classes.
- Please be on time for the class! If you are not part of the class, please leave the room! Downstairs at the lobby you can always chill.
- We suggest you bring both shoes and sneakers for more options and comfort!
- One of the studios on the ground floor will be offered as a changing room where you can also leave your stuff to avoid an overload of bags in the classroom.
- Please take care of your personal hygiene, bring deodorant, towels, and extra clothes!



## BAZZ LAB

**BAZZLAB** is a space for experimenting and crossing between two/three styles, perspectives and many beautiful souls. Two/three amazing teachers from different styles will be guiding these sessions.

Each participant has to **CHOOSE** one of these sessions and **SING UP** for the chosen one via the link in the email! You **CAN'T** switch after registration, please respect your choice as we have limited amount of spaces.

## BAZZ BUZZ

**BAZZ Buzz** is focused on **YOU!** This time will be dedicated to your own practice, where together with your **BAZZ** friends, you can go through whatever you learned throughout the weekend, or you can just jam! In each **BB** session there will be a DJ & Teachers available for you to ask any questions, personal feedback or tips! You're not obliged to ask them anything, you can also just come and hang, listen to music & grab a drink :) (Included in all class passes)



# CLASSES SCHEDULE

KICK ASS LEVEL

FRIDAY

17:30-19:00

JAZZ W/  
HELENA

20:00-21:30

JAZZ HUB W/  
REMY/HEL & JOYSS  
(ONLY IF REGISTERED)

SATURDAY

11:00-12:30

JAZZ W/  
REMY

12:30-14:00

JAZZ W/  
JOYSS

15:00-16:30

BAZZ LAB

20:00-21:00

BAZZ BUZZ

SUNDAY

11:00-13:00

LOCKING W/  
DANYS

13:00-14:00

AFRO W/  
SABOU

15:00-16:30

BAZZ LAB

20:00-21:00

BAZZ BUZZ

📍 L00DS6  
📍 KZ BALLROOM

Each participant has ONE Bazz Lab included in their pass.

# BAZZ PRO LEVEL

## FRIDAY

16:00-17:30

**JAZZ W/  
HELENA**

20:00-21:30

**JAZZ HUB W/  
REMY/HEL & JOYSS  
(ONLY IF REGISTERED)**

## SATURDAY

11:00-12:00

**AFRO W/  
SABOU**

12:00-14:00

**LOCKING W/  
DANYS**

15:00-16:30

**BAZZ LAB**

20:00-21:00

**BAZZ BUZZ**

## SUNDAY

11:00-12:30

**JAZZ W/  
REMY**

12:30-14:00

**JAZZ W/  
JOYSS**

15:00-16:30

**BAZZ LAB**

20:00-21:00

**BAZZ BUZZ**

📍 **LOODS6**  
📍 **KZ BALLROOM**

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# CHILLAX LEVEL

## FRIDAY

20:00-21:30

**JAZZ HUB W/  
REMY/HEL & JOYSS  
(OPTIONAL)**

## SATURDAY

15:00-16:30

**BAZZ LAB**

## SUNDAY

15:00-16:30

**BAZZ LAB**

16:30-17:30

**JAZZ W/  
REMY**

16:30-17:30

**JAZZ W/  
JOYSS**

20:00-21:00

**BAZZ BUZZ**

20:00-21:00

**BAZZ BUZZ**

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 **KZ BALLROOM**

# HOW TO BE THE BEST STUDENT



- Be respectful towards your teachers and other participants
- Teachers are not giving you a product, but experience. So be fully present and give your all, be receptive and open to trying new things.
- Sensitive topics like racism and blackness will be mentioned during the classes, please listen actively and try to understand why these topics matter.
- Listen to your own body and if something hurts, take a break. Our teachers are not responsible for any injuries during the class.
- Avoid negative comments or comparison with other participants, focus on your own process as each one of you has a different background.



# LIVE MUSIC PARTIES & DJ'S

## THURSDAY - THE JAZZ LOBBY

Unofficial pre-party with live music by OPSO (Original Prague Syncopated Orchestra), and after that there's an open jam session! Pre-party is not included in BAZZfull pass. Tickets can be purchased CASH for 15 euro at the door. For those who want to take place at the jam session, entrance is free!

## FRIDAY - HOT JAZZ NIGHT!

Dj SEP will take us through his favorite funky, disco, soul and hip hop rhythms.  
OPSO & Sam Ghezzi Band will raise up the temperature with Hot Steamy Jazz!

## SATURDAY - NEW ORLEANS NIGHT!

Between the live music sets of The Gumbo Night, DJ Remy will play some of the finest grooves from a wide range of Black American music. You'll be able to enjoy grooves all the way from Rhythm n' Blues, Swing to Mambo!

## SUNDAY - SACHEE NIGHT!

Before and after SACHEE concert DJ Kanini will take us on a journey through Afrobeats, Afrohouse, Kuduro, Amapiano, Dancehall!

# BAZZ CLUB NIGHTS

## LET'S PARTYYYYYYYYY!!

**THURSDAY**

21:00-01:00

**THE JAZZ LOBBY**  
Concert + Jam Session

**FRIDAY**

21:30-00:30

**HOT JAZZ  
NIGHT**

**SATURDAY**

21:00-02:00

**NEW ORLEANS  
NIGHT**

**SUNDAY**

21:00-00:00

**SUNDAY VIBES W/  
SACHEE**

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