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Progressive acts confirmed for Buma Rotterdam Beats

With: Hiatus Kaiyote, Ryan Hemsworth, Zebra Katz, Boaz van de Beatz and Dream Koala

The organizers of Buma Rotterdam Beats have confirmed that the evening program of the event will include some much talked-about names from the urban beats & bass scene including Hiatus Kaiyote from Australia, Dream Koala from Berlin, Ryan Hemsworth from Canada and Zebra Katz from the US. They join a list of previously confirmed acts including post-dubstep sensation Mount Kimbie from the United Kingdom, highly-rated electronic soul act Quadron from Denmark, American rappers Oddisee (performing with a live band) and Watsky. Festival Passes for Buma Rotterdam Beats - which takes place across multiple locations in the centre of Rotterdam on November 14-16 - go on sale this week priced at €37.50.

The global impact and success of Dutch producers is a central theme at Buma Rotterdam Beats this year. Acts like Boaz van de Beatz, Munchi and The Partysquad have released seminal EPs that have directly affected the current sound of international pop music. Both acts will be talking about how this happened during the daytime program of the fourth edition of an event that is now firmly established as an international business platform and showcase festival for urban & bass beats. Boaz van de Beatz will also be performing in the evening program at a showcase for his record label Nouveau Riche Music.

"We decided to get behind emerging, progressive artists from very different scenes this year," says festival director Roger Brouwn. "That way we get to present our international audience with a sample of the most relevant current developments in the styles of music that we support." By way of an example, Brouwn points to Zebra Katz, an openly gay rapper from the rapidly emerging queer rap scene in the US, as well as the seductive electronic soul of Quadron and the powerful future soul of Hiatus Kaiyote.

Acts confirmed so far for the evening program of Buma Rotterdam Beats are: Boaz van de Beatz presents Nouveau Riche Music, Hiatus Kaiyote, Oddisee (with live band), Ryan Hemsworth, Dream Koala, Zebra Katz, Mount Kimbie, Gorgon City, Quadron, Watsky, WAX, Sevdaliza, D E N A, SirOJ (with live band) and Roses Gabor. During the daytime, Buma Rotterdam Beats features a wide range of networking events, workshops, panel discussions and beat pitches aimed at both the international business audience and emerging talent. More information about the daytime program, some of which is accessible for free, to follow shortly.

For more detailed information about the festival and conference, as well as reports, reviews and pictures of previous editions, go to www.beats.nl

Buma Rotterdam Beats is organized by Stichting Rotterdam Beats, an initiative of Buma and supported by Sena.

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