

DUO ALIADA'S

new album 'EAST WEST'

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VIENNA, AUSTRIA - Duo Aliada is known for their creative approach to adapting classical repertoire for their own instruments. Polish saxophonist Michał Knot and Serbian accordionist Bogdan Laketic formed the duo in 2013 in Vienna, a city whose rich musical tradition reflects its history as a crossroads between Eastern and Western Europe. The following years brought Michał and Bogdan to performances around the world, and into contact with various cultures and musical traditions. This wide range of experiences, beginning all the way back with their childhoods in Eastern Europe, is a major source of inspiration for their music making and for this album.

'EAST WEST' explores musical landscapes from the European and American parts of the globe, resulting in a kind of travel journal that begins in Eastern Europe and then travels westward. At the center of the album is Coffin Ship, a new composition dedicated to all of the migrants who paid the ultimate price in search of a better life.

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ABOUT DUO ALIADA

MICHAŁ KNOT - saxophone
BOGDAN LAKETIC - accordion

Called "outstandingly talented and creative musicians" by Musikverein Vienna, Duo Aliada consists of saxophonist Michał Knot and accordionist Bogdan Laketic. Since their founding in 2013, the duo has quickly caught the attention of the classical music world, resulting in a busy concert schedule with more than 200 performances in over 30 countries, many in illustrious concert venues such as the Carnegie Hall, Tonhalle Zürich, Wiener Musikverein and the Hermitage Theatre in Saint Petersburg, to name a few. Duo Aliada unanimously won the Grand Prix at the 12th Fidelio Wettbewerb in Vienna. In 2018, Duo Aliada won 3rd Prize at the M-Prize Chamber Arts Competition, University of Michigan in Ann Arbor.

The duo recorded their debut studio album 'New colours of the past' (2015, ARS Produktion) and it was received with tremendous critical acclaim. They were also selected for the international program 'The New Austrian Sound of Music 2016-17', a prestigious sponsorship platform funded by the Austrian Government. Duo Aliada have been featured on popular European radio broadcasts such as ORF1, SWR2, BR Klassik and Radio Klassik and they could not be more excited to continue sharing their unique music with audiences all around the world.

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