

LAPWINGS

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INDIE FOLK ROCK from BERLIN

NEW SINGLE & EP



<https://soundcloud.com/lapwingstheband/sets/single-future-ep>



<http://youtu.be/cira4xLKfoA>



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« *Vibrating compositions...* »

« *...with a sensitivity close to Leonard Cohen,
Neil Young or Jacques Brel* »



« *Hats off !* »

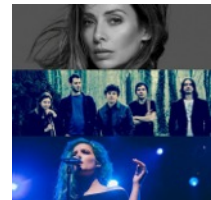
Nominated for **Band of the Month** (January 2016)

The Melting Pop blog:

« *Far from the well-travel paths of current mainstream* »

« *Modest as well as ingenious* »

« *Captivating cello solos* »



Lie in the Sound blog:

« *A wonderful organic sound* »

Negative White blog :

Song of the Week

CouchFM:

« *Fresh and warm pop track with a groovy cello melody* »

Tradio:

Track of the Day (23/11/2015)

On the following RADIOS:

Classic 21 (Belgium)

Radio Ostfriesland

Radio Q (Münster)

Radio Rüsselsheim

Detektor FM

EchoFM (Freiburg)

Radio Feuerwerk (Munich)

Freies Radio Freudenstadt

Campus Radio Jena

INDIE FOLK ROCK from BERLIN - NEW SINGLE & EP out now

On the **4th of December**, the indie folk rock **debut album** « **Frozen Time** » from the Berlin-based band Lapwings will be officially available on all media platforms.

Their **first single** « **Love Blinkers** » is a fresh pop song with an organic, groovy cello melody. A real toe-tapper that pretty soon has you clapping along to the beat. The single has been **aired** on the well-established Belgian **national radio Classic 21** and is on the playlist of **several german radios**. The single is also supported by a pretty sharp, music video taking place at a pretty frisky house party in Berlin.



On their debut album, Lapwings forms a misty ambience with its light, smooth melodies, dynamic folk rhythms juxtaposed by melancholic lyrics. Its music is marked by elegance, repose and excitement bristling with warmth. The EP includes a surprising downtempo and atmospherical **cover of My My Hey Hey from Neil Young**.

Sounds like / Influences :

Mumford & sons, Passengers, Arcade Fire, Ben Howard, Girls in Hawaii

Hashtags:

#indie #pop #rock #folk #cello #atmospherical #groovy #Berlin #fresh #organic



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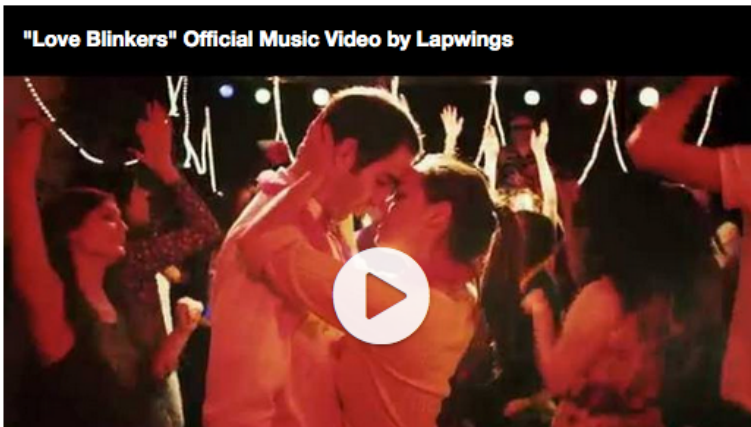


<http://apple.co/1E6YUJR>

ALBUM MP3 DOWNLOAD

Download the album in MP3 192 kbps 44.1 kHz with this link (personal use, don't share please): [Dropbox download](#)

MUSIC VIDEO from the single « Love Blinkers »



<http://youtu.be/cira4xLKfoA>

TOUR - AGENDA

Dates to come:

05.03.2016: Atelier Rock, with The chord strikers, Huy, Belgium

08.04.2016: Madame Claude, Berlin.

Past dates:

07.08.2014: Rock Classic, Bruxelles, Belgium

19.09.2014: Hard Rock 2, Berlin

17.04.2015: Lagari, Berlin

23.05.2015: Galathea Wine Bar, Berlin

07.06.2015: Culture Container, Berlin

18.06.2015: Wilma Art Gallery, Berlin

21.06.2015: Cafe Dodo, Berlin

27.06.2015: EP Release Party, TheaterSpielRaum, Berlin (45 persons)

06.08.2015: Duo Summer tour: Huy, Belgium, Bar « la Couronne », SOLD OUT (75 persons)

07.08.2015: Duo Summer tour: Soirée ô Cirque, Alleur, Belgium

08.08.2015: Duo Summer tour, private house concert, crowdfunding campaign

09.08.2015: Duo Summer tour, Legia, Liege, Belgium, with Fortem Rosas.

29.08.2015: East Side Music Days Festival, with Charity Children & many more, Berlin.

25.09.2015: SoWieSo Bar, support act of Dorothy Bird, Berlin.

03.10.2015: Koffer Laden, support of Hester & Holly Rose (UK), Berlin.

17.10.2015: Prachtwerk, support of Andy Zipf (US), Berlin.

24.11.2015: Private house concert, Berlin

17.12.2015: Kaffee Burger, with Trapdoor, Berlin.

BAND STORY



The Berlin-based band Lapwings, with musicians stemming from different walks of life, derives their name from the folkloric bird of ancient Egyptian hieroglyphs representing newcomers to a – for them – foreign land.

The international band began as Jeal, lead singer songwriter, cut his ties with the corporate world in 2013 and left his home in Belgium to give into his musical ambitions. After meeting and playing with cellist Natasha Jaffe the match was lit, that would later light the fire for establishing Lapwing's unique

organic sound and the band itself in 2015.

Different than the bird and its piercing trill, Lapwings forms a misty ambience with its light, smooth melodies, dynamic folk rhythms juxtaposed by melancholic lyrics. Its music is marked by elegance, repose and excitement bristling with warmth.

As the band continues to evolve, it performs in various formats, either as a duo cello/guitar or with five parts complete with keyboard, drums and bass for larger venues.

MOVIE SOUNDTRACK

An instrumental version of the track Happiness has been used for the trailer of the movie « What do we do with the silence ? »

<https://vimeo.com/126545472>



LIVE CONCERT VIDEO

You can find video of live concerts on this youtube playlist :

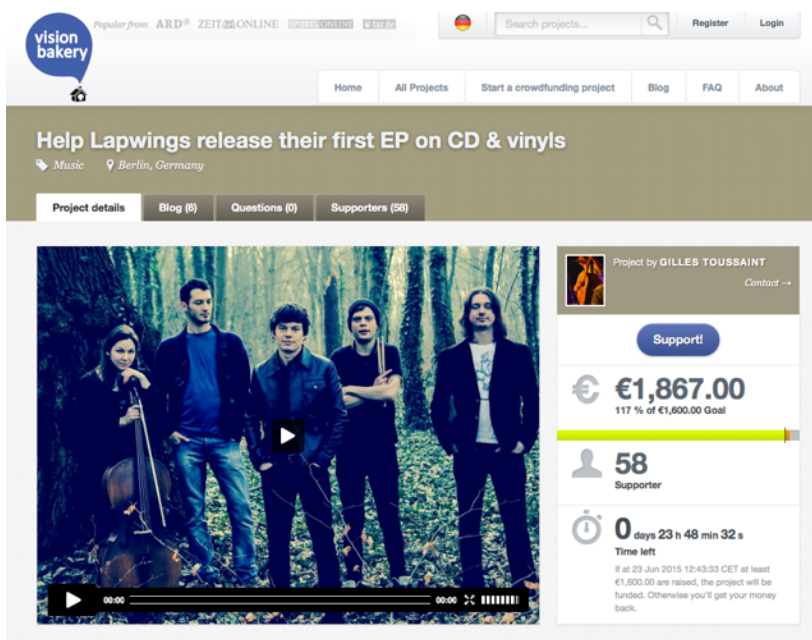
 <http://bit.ly/1dOPy93>



CROWDFUNDING

Lapwings successfully made in June a crowdfunding campaign backed up by 58 people with a total amount of 1867€ in order to print their first album on cds:

<http://www.visionbakery.com/lapwings?ln=en>



The screenshot shows a crowdfunding campaign page for Lapwings. The page features a video player showing the band members in a forest setting. To the right of the video, the campaign details are displayed:

- Project by GILLES TOUSSAINT
- Support! button
- €1,867.00 raised (117% of €1,600.00 goal)
- 58 Supporters
- 0 days 23 h 48 min 32 s Time left
- Time left details: If at 23 Jun 2015 12:43:33 CET at least €1,600.00 are raised, the project will be funded. Otherwise you'll get your money back.

BAND MEMBERS

The band is based on the duo Jeal (vocals, guitar) & Natasha Jaffe (Cello). When recording, touring or for larger venues, they are joined by fantastic drum, bass & keyboard players.

JEAL (Gilles TOUSSAINT) : Guitars / Lead Vocal (Belgium)

After a few years of intensive techno DJing, Jeal took a step back from the electronic scene when he started working on his Ph.D. During that time, he started to learn the guitar and to compose his own songs. In 2013, bored by his corporate job, he decided to leave everything behind to come to Berlin and follow his passion for music and song writing. He played and developed his own music in the streets and open mics of Berlin, where he met Natasha Jaffe (cello). Feeling a great connection with her, he decided to start the Lapwings band.



Past activities as Dj :

Played intensitvely between 1998 and 2005 in Belgium under the name Jeal Riley, sharing line-ups with famous international djs such as Kenny Larkin (USA), Agoria (France), Ken Ishi (Japan), Darren Price (UK, Underworld dj), Jack de Marseille (Fr) and some of the most famous belgian Djs such as Front 242, Fabrice Lig and the resident dis (Pierre, Trish, Psychogene) from the « Fuse » club.

www.soundcloud.com/jealriley

NATASHA JAFFE : Cello (USA)



26 years old. Professional cellist, cello and music improvisation teacher.

<http://www.natashajaffe.com/>

Born from parents who were both professional cellists, she is a graduate of Temple University's Boyer College of Music and Dance Master of Music program as well as a graduate of the Crane School of Music at SUNY Potsdam (USA).

A versatile performer, Ms. Jaffe has moved to Berlin in 2012. Since then, she has been supported several singer songwriter and pop rock projects. She provides private Cello lessons to students of all ages and levels and teaches Music Improvisation Workshops.

Beside the Lapwings band, Jeal and Natasha Jaffe have started together the Berliner Bären Jugendorchester, a youth orchestra for 10-18 years old kids who want to experience playing classical music in an orchestra.

<http://www.natashajaffe.com/berliner-baeren-jugendorchester.html>

TOUR - STUDIO RECORDING MEMBERS

VARIAN VILLANUEVA - Bass / Backing vocals



Puerto Rico, Professional musician (bass, guitar, Keyboard) and Singer Songwriter.

Varian began his musical training at age eight with classical piano. At age thirteen, listening Nirvana for the first time he decided that his thing was really the guitar. At age seventeen, he heard "The Free" for the first time, and the basslines of Andy Fraser affected him so much that he did not stop until he was able to play until the last note of their "Fire and Water" album. That's were his true musical career started. At age twenty he discovered a band that

changed my life: Weather Report. From this moment on, his commitment to the bass was almost total. As singer songwriter, Varian has his own band Smiles Ahead who just released an EP in 2015.

<http://vvarian.wix.com/varian>

FRANCESCO DE ROSA - piano / keyboards / backing vocal

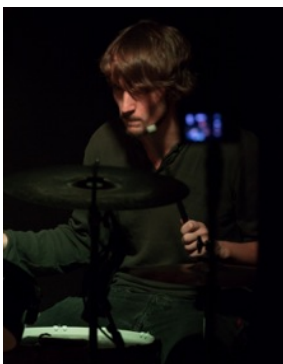
Italy, 25 years old, Keyboard and drum player, Song writer.

Mastering the piano, keyboards and organs, Francesco is an all-rounder music player who enjoys very much improvisation and is a regular participant to open mics and jam sessions in Berlin.

<https://soundcloud.com/fraderosa>



BENJAMIN ZEE – drums.



Berlin, Germany, 26 years old.

The real « Berliner » from the band, Benjamin is a versatile drummer currently studying to be a music teacher.

VARIOUS PICTURES



Picture by Tanya Davidow Photography, Berlin, 2015



Duo Summer Tour, Picture by Stephane Laruelle, Huy, 2015



Duo Summer Tour, Huy, Picture by Stephane Laruelle, 2015



Duo Summer Tour, Legia, Belgium, 2015



Private Music Video Release Party, Berlin, 2015

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