

belle affaire – Band info

He plays the drums and the darbuka, writes music and lyrics and sings in French. Lucerne-based musician Pirmin Setz does not allow himself to be stylistically restricted. His band «belle affaire» (Philipp Z'Rotz: clarinet and saxophone, Katrin Wüthrich: accordion and glockenspiel, Peter Gossweiler, double bass) plays finely woven acoustic music with chansonsque poetry and world folk influences. The singer adds to that his calm tone and gives his texts a dark rendering in the spirit of the French language. This is music that reflects everyday life and its sensations and draws its essence from the joy of making music together.

After the album «demain», published in 2018, «belle affaire» will release the CD «huit heures du matin» in autumn 2021 on the label unit records.

belle affaire – Album info «huit heures du matin»

«Influenced by the course of his biography and his various interests regarding sound, Pirmin Setz has charted a unique musical path»: these are journalist Pirmin Bossart's words about the Lucerne-based drummer, percussionist, composer, lyricist and singer. The album «huit heures du matin» contains nine compositions written for accordion, double bass, clarinet, saxophone, drums and percussion. All are sung in French.

The quartet «belle affaire» plays finely woven acoustic music with chansonsque poetry and world folk influences. The band uses all these assets to take the listeners into another world, a musical universe that one rarely hears and experiences in such a peculiar way.

belle affaire – Statements

Pirmin Setz has a fascinating biography. It suggests that he is a seeker and does not want to let common ways and ideas determine his own path. He graduated from the Lucerne Jazz School 20 years ago but did not become a typical «jazzier».

Pirmin Bossart, journalist

This affair will definitely end up well. Urs Hangartner, kulturtipp

Some of Pirmin Setz's compositions definitely bar the danger of falling into a trance. Nidwaldner Zeitung
Whoever has not heard this unique music and husky singing has missed something. Willisauer Bote

Many thanks for your MUSIC. I have just listened to it and am very moved. M.F.