

## James Banner's USINE

With USINE, British bass player and composer James Banner brings together a collection of European improvisors - all well-established in their own right - to create a sometimes homogenous, sometimes disparate sound-world. The inspiration comes via composed themes based on reworked improvisations, multi-lingual texts that are song, spoken and screamed, as well as the ever-changing world of literature, art, and politics in the twentieth and twenty-first centuries. At the core of USINE, the golden thread of the composed runs alongside improvisational freedom, with an appreciation of both the rich history of acoustic jazz music and a recognition of the value that each individual musician and their unique geographical and cultural experience brings to the table. These 13 tracks create an environment in which these six friends and voices from Berlin's rich improvised music scene can shine, at the same time fusing them into one single USINE.

## PRESS

*„James Banner's USINE is 45 minutes of unobvious and unpredictable music, created thanks to artists connected by an invisible but at the same time noticeable thread of unbounded agreement“ - Robert Ratajczak, LongPlay*

*„a unique and surprising voice on his instrument... a gifted young composer...“  
Greg Cohen (Tom Waits, Ornette Coleman, Bob Dylan)*

*„idiosyncratic, „oblique“, intense and humorous.“  
Tagesspiegel (Berlin, March 2017 - Nicky Pawlow)*

*Track of the Day - All About Jazz - 03.01.2019*

Album released 18.10.2018 by JazzHausMusik (supported by Berlin Senat)  
Germany/UK Tour February 21st - March 3rd 2019 ([see tour dates ->](#))

## PROMO LINKS

Download Photos (High Res): <https://www.dropbox.com/sh/pmmnww91lnum390/AACdynbn-E8oxTANqbUnyqAoa?dl=0>

YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-oLy0PDAz4>

Streaming: <https://jazzhausmusik.de/de/detail/jhm-261.html>

Website: [www.jamesbanner.com/usine](http://www.jamesbanner.com/usine)

Full album download available upon request

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