

James Banner's USINE

BIO

With USINE (FR: Factory), 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 sung, 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.

Cansu Tanrikulu - Voice

Declan Forde - Piano

James Banner - Bass/Composition

Max Andrzejewski - Drums

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

"driving music... great interplay" – BBC Radio 3

"intense and dramatic...gentle and beautiful... an album characteristic of today's contemporary jazz with the mixture of structure and freedom, full of drama and strong soloing..." – Tony Dudley-Evans [Programme Advisor for Jazzlines/Cheltenham Jazz Festival, EJM/JPN]

"not everyone wants to pick a side... James Banner... revels in both the avant-garde and the swing... a musical balancing act" – Deutschlandfunk Kultur

"If you can throw past preferences overboard, USINE rewards you with a unique sound experience" – LikeHiFi Magazine

Track of the Day - All About Jazz - 03.01.2019

Portrait by Deutschlandfunk Kultur - Feb 2019

Album released 18.10.2018 by JazzHausMusik (supported by Berlin Senat)

Germany/UK Tour February 21st - March 3rd 2019 (supported by Initiative Musik)

LINKS

Music Video: <https://vimeo.com/445345884/d07caa702b>

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

Website: www.jamesbanner.com/usine

Spotify: <https://open.spotify.com/artist/2nBZVzStnKBO4UhpIVt66b>

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

Full album download available upon request

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