

Vocal Jazz Summit 2009

Mainz/ Germany, 30th. september - 3rd october 2009

Performances by the best vocal jazz groups around, coaching with world-class clinicians, a beatbox workshop with vocal whizz kid and vice-world champion Roxorloops , the most promising European newcomers - the Vocal Jazz Summit 2009 offers a glimpse of what today's vocal scene has to offer. A feast for all aficionados of a cappella, a must-see for jazz lovers, a unique opportunity for young groups to learn the tricks of the trade from the masters. If you always wanted to be coached by Janis Siegel, this is your chance !

Guest of Honour will be Ward Swingle, founder of the Swingle Singers

One of today's finest a cappella ensembles, The Real Group shot to fame with their stunning arrangements of the great jazz standards and a unique sound. By now, their original compositions, too, are sung by groups and choirs all around the world.

Five time grammy award winning ensemble The Swingle Singers, defined the vocal sound of a generation, crossing over between classical music and jazz. Using their voices as an instrument has always been a trademark of theirs and so the collaboration of special guest Roxorloops, as well as the presentation of their new album "Ferris Wheels" is highly anticipated.

The Manhattan Transfer has been at the forefront of vocal jazz for several decades. Their collaborations with Gene Puerling, with Bobby McFerrin or Gilberto Gil are legendary, while their album "Vocalese" (in collaboration with Jon Hendricks) garnered them 12 Grammy nominations, a record only topped by Michael Jackson's album "Thriller" !

Concerts by:

The Real Group, The Swingle Singers, The Manhattan Transfer, Touche (DK), Vocal Journey (D), Vocado (S) (winner of the Leipzig A Cappella Competition 2009), Witloof Bay (B), Vocaloca (DK), Pust (NO)

Coaching by:

Members of The Real Group, The Swingle Singers, The Manhattan Transfer and Touche

Workshops by:

Roxorloops (B), Kevin Fox (The Swingle Singers, CAN), Tobias Hug (The Swingle Singers, D), Jerome Colloud (F)

For more details, tickets, a registration form see www.vocal-jazz-summit.de