



TOM GRAY

is a founding member of Gomez, a band whose eclectic style and 8 studio albums secured them the 1998 Mercury prize and international acclaim. Tom is a renowned composer having worked on a major BBC children's series, several short films, documentaries and a feature film. He has written 6 children's musical in partnership with Arts Council England.



DARKO BAKIC

is a Croatian composer, songwriter and performer, leader of pop group "Buđenje" and author of many hits performed by Croatian artists. He was always very active in promotion of Croatian music and musicians' rights and worked on numerous projects regarding the improvement of cooperation in the music industry as well as with other institutions and business associations.



LUIS IVARS

is board member of the Spanish Film Academy and of the ECSA (European Composers & Songwriters Alliance). Honorary Chairman of Musimagen - Spanish Audiovisual Composers. He has also held the presidency of FFACE (Federation of Film & Audiovisual Composers of Europe).



FARID BENMBAREK

was born and raised in Amsterdam and is the former A&R Director for record-label Top Notch, one of the most successful recordlabels in The Netherlands. Currently he serves as the Managing Director for Straight Shooter Publishing: a new music-publishing company set up by Top Notch, Noah's Ark and Universal Music. His mission is to help modernise music-publishing, songwriting and connect musical creatives spread around the European Union. In a nutshell: let's service supreme songwriting.



PETAR GRAŠO

is a Croatian singer, songwriter and composer, well known and popular in Croatia and region. He also won many awards: this year he received the Croatian Audience Award "Cesarica" for 2018 and he is again one of the top nominees and he also won the most prestigious Croatian Music Award "Porin".



OKKE PUNT

is a 27-year old Singer/Songwriter from the Netherlands. After competing in Dutch TV-Show The Best Singer/Songwriter of Holland and touring the world with British band Fiction Plane, he is currently active as a songwriter in the Dutch Pop/Urban scene. In September 2019 he received his first platinum award as a writer/producer for #1 hit single "Reunië" by Snelle (a.k.a. Lars Bos), and is currently working on his 2nd album, due for release in 2020.



TONČI HULJIĆ

is an awards winning and leading Croatian composer, songwriter, music producer and performer whose works of pop, classical and cross-over music are known all over the world and used in numerous audio-visual works and films. Internationally he is best known by his repertoires performed by Maksim Mrvica and group Bond.



ANTUN TOMISLAV SABAN

a Croatian composer of classical and jazz music and producer whose works have been performed by leading orchestras, ensembles and artists in Croatia, EU and all around the world. He received numerous awards for his artistic work. He is the General Secretary of Croatian Composers' Society and internationally very active in promotion of authors' rights.



TOMEK LIPIŃSKI

is a Polish rock musician, composer, songwriter, guitarist, vocalist and producer. He has enjoyed a long and successful musical career, with bands Brygada Kryzys, Tilt, Fotones, and as a solo artist. Lipiński is also Member of the Board of Polish authors' society ZAiKS and is an active campaigner for intellectual rights.



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FRANS BAK

is a music composer, conductor, instrumentalist and a graduate of the Royal Danish Academy of Music. He has won several awards and scored three Oscar nominated shorts and several Emmy nominated TV-series. He is best known for creating the score for the Danish television series 'Forbrydelsen' as well as the American remake, 'The Killing'.



ALEXANDRE AZARIA

With nearly 40 soundtracks to his credit, Alexandre AZARIA is a well-established composer of the French film industry. He is also renowned overseas where he directed films like the Transporters (Europa Corp). He also works with artists of the recording industry like Indochine, Alain Chamfort, Jacques Dutronc, Inna Modja and more.



SYLVIE HOARAU

is one half of French band Brigitte (a tribute to Brigitte Bardot, Brigitte Fontaine and Brigitte Lahaie). The award-winning band built up its reputation on the stage, through many tours in France, Europe, South Asia and Middle East.



ANNABELLE MOULOUDJI

began her career as a dancer at the prestigious ballet school at the Paris Opera. She is a French author, composer, singer and actor. For 10 years now, she also writes songs for children and sings with them.



MICHELLE LEONARD

is a singer, artist developer, lecturer, songwriter & publisher based in Berlin. She has been in the music industry since she was 16 and has collaborated & written with and for many artists such as Nico Santos, Alice Merton, Robin Schulz, Sarah Connor, Aurora, Tarja Turunen, to name a few.



ALAIN CHAMFORT

is an author, composer and singer of French pop music. He sang so many hits among which "Manureva". He has worked with Jacques Dutronc, Claude François or Serge Gainsbourg and has composed some of the biggest hits of the French music for decades. "A life without Laurent" an homage to the French fashion designer Yves Saint Laurent, is his 12th album.



PAENDA

Paenda's song "Limits" is the first Austrian contribution to the Eurovision Song Contest written and produced exclusively by a woman. The singer, songwriter and producer is building bridges by connecting the worlds of underground and mainstream music. Her lyrics cover themes like confidence, self-determination and perseverance.



JAN HAUTEKIERT

is a Belgian session musician, composer and author, who had a career of 40 years in radio, before retiring earlier this year. As a composer, he started off early 1981 making soundtracks for several audiovisual productions and theatre plays. Besides that, he was a sound designer for radio and television. As an author, Jan wrote several columns and biographies and co-wrote three books. On stage people know him as a passionate piano player, who has performed with a wide range of Belgian artists.



GIULIO RAPETTI MOGOL

President of SIAE since 2018, is an Italian author. He started his artistic partnership with Lucio Battisti in 1965, topping the 70-80s charts. Further success was achieved writing for Mina, Celentano, Dalla and many others. In 1981, he founded the Italian Singer Football Team. Devoted to the Italian tradition of popular music, on which he has been holding lectures at Berklee College of Music and Harvard University, in 1992 he founded the "CET", a cultural center for music studies. Honoured with prestigious awards, Mogol was a candidate to the Nobel Prize for Literature in 2016.



PAT APPLETON

has been named as one of the most significant voices of German Jazz by TV channel 3Sat. She became internationally known as the voice of De-Phazz with the iconic song „The Mambo Craze“ and continues to work with the band as a singer and composer to this day. In 2017, she released her third solo album „A Higher Desire“.



MIGUEL ANGELO

Member of SPA's supervisory board, he is a Portuguese songwriter, singer, composer, architect and columnist. He was the founder of the musical group Delfins, which had a massive success in the 80's and 90's. As a TV host he was one of the most audience share leaders. Years later he started a solo career. Recently he released a new song, "NOVA" part of his new album.



LAËTITIA MOREAU

is a French documentary filmmaker and former reporter (Le Monde, Canal+). In June 2019, she was elected President of SCAM, a French authors 'society and a GESAC member, which represents a wide range of authors: documentary and newsreports filmmakers, as well as journalists, writers and photographers.



CELESTE BUCKINGHAM

is a Slovak singer and actress. Her song, Run Run Run became a hit in many different countries. She received the TV Personality of the Year award in 2013 and 2014. In the year 2018, she received the SOZA award for the most successful author under the age of 25.



VIRPI EROMA

is a Finnish songwriter, indie artist and one of the most distinguished a cappella composers in Finland. She has composed material for numerous choirs and vocal groups and was also the founder of the successful vocal ensemble "Viisi". Currently she writes pop music and works on her career as a solo artist Eroma.



PERNILLE ROSENDAHL

is an award-winning Danish singer-songwriter, who besides her solo career was lead singer of the band Swan Lee and lead vocalist for the rock band The Storm. She started writing music at an early age and since then has been involved in the release of seven studio albums. She has also been a judge in the Danish version of X Factor where she mentored the artist who won the show.



OLLI VIRTAPERKO

is a Finnish classical composer and the vice chairman of The Society of Finnish Composers. Former singer of the rock band Ultra Bra and the leader of the crossover group Ensemble Ambrosius. Virtaperko made his breakthrough as a composer with large-scale orchestral works, but his profile is highly diverse. He has written works for big band, amplified cello, Baroque orchestra and the tube monophonic synthesizer knifonium, among others. www.virtaperko.fi



MATTHEW IRONS

is the singer, songwriter and guitarist of the Belgian band Puggy. They have 4 certified gold and platinum albums to their name and have toured extensively for the last 10 years internationally. Having just finished the soundtrack to an animation film entitled "Son of Bigfoot", that was released world-wide in 2017 and writing some fresh tracks for other artists (among others "La Loi de Murphy » with Angèle), he is about to start work on the next Puggy album after some well-deserved down time.



STEFAN FERNANDE (CLOUSEAU)

is a songwriter who has scored several number 1 hits in Belgium, written the 2009 Turkish entry for the Eurovision Song Contest, had an Italian number 1 hit and who has been inducted in the Belgian hall of fame for his work. As his only income, few people know better than him how important authors rights are.

