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1. Introduction

Dear friends of Austrian music,

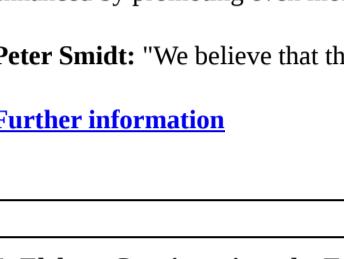
welcome to the **sixth edition** of the **Austrian Music Export** newsletter, designed to keep you informed on the latest developments in the Austrian music scene.

We hope you enjoy this issue brought to you by mica music austria in close cooperation with the Austrian Music Fund.

We look forward to meeting you at one of the events abroad.

Your Austrian Music Export Team

2. Waves Vienna 2011 Review

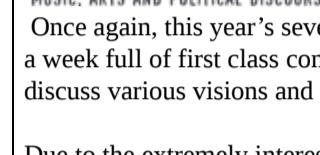


„The first edition of WAVES VIENNA was a pertinent reminder that there is a music industry in central and eastern Europe which rarely gets talked about. The entire region needs a professionally organized music conference and festival, and a platform where local musicians can showcase their talent. WAVES VIENNA clearly fulfills this mandate, and I very much look forward to returning next year's event.“ Mirkó Whitfield (SXSW, Austin, Texas, US)

Since Sunday, the first edition of the club and showcase festival WAVES VIENNA lies in the past. As organizers, we can draw a positive conclusion despite a number of unexpected problems and cancellations at short notice: more than 600 people celebrated with us during the four days of the festival. And especially on Friday and Saturday a special festival flair was in the air – with full venues (from Flex to Prater sauna) and a lively hustle and bustle of the audience between the festival axes Donaukanal and Prater.

[more information](#)

3. ETEP 2.0 with Austrian participation!



Good news for Austrian talents: Thanks to the participation of the Austrian Music Ambassador Network **AMAN** and the Austrian Music Information Center **mica - music austria** as project co-organizers of ETEP, Austria's presence at the main conference and showcase platform of the European live music industry has been assured. In the years **2012-2016** at least **20 local bands** will perform at the **Eurosonic Festival**, which sees the Dutch city of **Groningen** in the spotlight of the European music scene during the period of the festival.

European Talent Exchange Program (ETEP)
With the support of the EU Culture Programme 2007-2013, the successful **European Talent Exchange Program (ETEP)** will continue its project devoted to promoting young talents from different musical genres. The effort of Peter Smidt, one of the founders and creative director of ETEP, requesting support from Brussels finally paid off. Over the next five years, the program will be further enhanced by promoting even more European artists. Among other activities, ETEP will extend from **60 to around 100 festivals** and generate more media attention for European music and artists.

Peter Smidt: "We believe that there are so many good and original bands in Europe that deserve more European and worldwide recognition. This is what we want to achieve with ETEP."

[Further information](#)

4. Elektro Guzzi receives the European Border Breakers Award

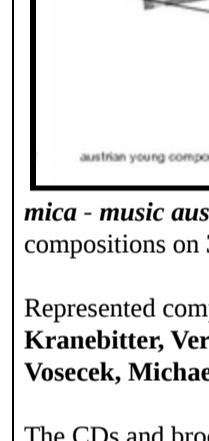


Next January, the Austrian formation **Elektro Guzzi** will be bestowed with a very special honor. For its musical achievements, the Viennese "techno-dance band" will receive the "European Border Breakers Award" (EBA), which is awarded every year by the European Commission since 2004. The prize is annually awarded to artists, whose potential is certified to be able to succeed outside their home country. The award ceremony will be held on the 11th of January, as part of the Eurosonic Festival in Groningen, the Netherlands.

[Elektro Guzzi Portrait](#)

[Further information](#)

5. Elevate Festival 2011



Donaueschinger Musiktage - 90 Years of New Sounds and Experimental Concerts



Founded in 1921, the **Donaueschinger Music Festival** is the oldest festival for **contemporary music** and takes place every year in the small German town of Donaueschingen. This year the Donaueschinger Music Festival took place from the **14th to the 16th of October** and had plenty to celebrate, namely its ninetieth birthday.

In continuation to the festival's remarkable history of introducing exciting new sound creations to the world, this celebratory year included twenty world premieres by artists from **sixteen nations** around the world. Among many other highlights, the festival featured world premieres by the outstanding Austrian composers **Wolfgang Mitterer** and **Pierluigi Billone**.

Further information: [Donaueschinger Musiktage 2011](#)

7. Mama Festival (FR)



C'est à Berlin que Wolfgang Bruckner, Stephan Ebert et Olaf Schubert ont fondé Diver à l'occasion d'une fête sur le toit d'une maison délabrée. Leur musique est sentimentale et sincère sans jamais devenir simpliste. Ce trio distille des émotions puissantes tout en douceur et en nuances. A ne pas manquer à l'occasion de leur premier passage en France.

Further information: [www.mama.com](#)

8. A spotlight on young contemporary composers living in Austria



mica - music austria has put together a promotional package consisting of several modules for the younger representatives of **contemporary music in Austria**. **23 composers** are represented with their compositions on 3 CDs. Furthermore, the package includes individual booklets with biographical data, a journalistic portrait and selected compositions.

Represented composers: Johannes Berauer, Christoph Breider, Bernd Richard Deutsch, Hannes Dufek, Marios Ioannou Elia, Sonja Huber, Peter Jakober, Manuela Kerer, Matthias Kranzhofer, Veronika Mayer, Lukas Neudinger, Julia Purgina, Eva Reiter, Gerald Resch, Manuel de Roo, Veronika Simor, Tomasz Skwerek, Judith Unterpertringer, Judit Varga, Simon Voseck, Michael Wahlmüller, Ernst Wally, Thomas Wally.

The CDs and brochures will be distributed to multipliers at all festivals where **mica - music austria** is represented with an information stand (eg. Wien Modern, Witten, Donaueschingen).

The CDs and brochures will be sent with cooperation offers to relevant festivals and radio journalists in Europe.

If you are an event organizer or a journalist and are interested in the CDs or a collaboration, please contact: [office@musicaustria.at](#)

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9. Tour Highlights

International Tour-Highlights

PopRock:

Bildschau
Mo 31.10.11 » PFARRKIRCHEN (D) » Boglarec

Do 03.11.11 » BANNSKA BYSTRE (SK) » Slobodan Per

Do 03.11.11 » FRANKFURT (D) » Pönyhof

Di 13.11.11 » GÖTTINGEN (D) » Kulturbude

Mo 14.11.11 » BREMEN (D) » Zollkantine

Do 14.11.11 » OLDENBURG (D) » Polyester Club

Fr 17.11.11 » GÖTTINGEN (D) » Werk2

Sa 17.11.11 » GÖTTINGEN (D) » Werk2

Sa 22.10.11 » MOSKAU (RU) » Solyanka

Fr 05.11.11 » KAISERSLAUTERN (D) » YeahYeahYeah Festival

Krautrock International Airport
Sa 22.10.11 D-München, Muffatwerk (FM4-Fest)

Mo 06.11.11 » KRAUTROCK (D) » Kulturbude

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