



Artist	THE SOMNAMBULIST
Title	LIVE IN BERLIN
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Track	Title	Length
01	My Own Paranormal Activity	10:15
02	Sophia Verloren	10:02
03	Quinto Mistero Della Gioia	12:35
04	Luce	09:52
05	And The Snow Still Falls	13:05
06	Alice Never	12:30
	Total running time	68:20

In 2010 the association Stadtraumnutzung e.V. planned a series of concerts called "Riemengast 1.3", which was to host each month three concerts of one band on the stage of Antje Øklesund (originally a furniture factory in the German Democratic Republic) in the quartier of Friedrichshain. The main concept behind the project was to invite chosen bands from Berlin to surpass the established features of their live concerts through, for example, new collaborations with other musicians, uncommon elaborations of their repertory, the integration of teathrical and visual elements in the performance or the organization of particular events to be associated to the live-acts.

The month of May was dedicated to THE SOMNAMBULIST, which performed on the evenings of Thursday  $6^{th}$ , Tuesday  $18^{th}$  and Friday  $28^{th}$ .

The first evening was an almost-unplugged session featuring Paula Sell on accordion, Manuel Kailuweit on guitar and Arnold Erben on bass.

On the 18th Chris Abrahams (piano), Els Vandeweyer (vibraphone) and Pablo Juanes (sax), they joined on stage the band for an improvisational development of some songs.

On Friday 28th took place the Record Release Party of "Moda Borderline", the debut album of THE SOMNAMBULIST published on that day by Acid Cobra Records and recorded the year before, right in the same rooms of Antje Øklesund during the summer break of the club in 2009.

The three live performances were fully recorded by Till Kreische, already at the mix-desk during the studio sessions of the album

"LIVE IN BERLIN", the new production of THE SOMNAMBULIST published now on digital format by Acid Cobra Records, is a selection of six tracks taken from three and a half hours of live recordings. "LIVE IN BERLIN" it's one of a kind, a one-shot photography that seizes an instant from the continuous metamorphosis of this band, documenting unedited expansions of three tracks originally released on "Moda Borderline" ("Quinto Mistero della Gioia", "Luce" and "Alice Never") and three unreleased songs ("My Own Paranormal Activity", "Sophia Verloren", "...And The Snow Still Falls") which will take part of the next studio album of the band (scheduled for release in 2012).

### THE MUSICIANS

# Marco Bianciardi (vocals, guitar and bass)

Native of the land of Chianti, he worked until 2007 in Bologna as guitarist in the band Caboto, drummer for Elton Junk and sound designer for theatre productions. After the EP "Hotel Ambiente" was published and his medium-lenght movie "Liebe Macht Frei" presented at Cannes 2008, he moves to Berlin where he's the singer and guitar player of The Somnambulist and plays drums and bass in Jane Walton. His latest work is the recently published novel "Il Medio Abisso".



### Rafael Bord (violin, oud and theremin)

For ten years until 2007, he has been the violin player of Les Hurlements d'Léo from Bordeaux, with whom he took part to La République du Sauvage together with L'Enfance Rouge. Afterwards in Berlin he collaborated with balkan and klezmer projects such as Budzillus and ?Shmaltz!, and wrote music for theatre and cinema.



# Marcello S. Busato (drums, percussions and objects)

Native of Milan, he's involved in many collectives for musical and theatrical experimentation and collaborates with single performers of the contemporary jazz scene of Berlin and Geneva: Sink, Birdcage Tombola, Geraldine Schenkel, Margareth Kammerer, Anat Cohavi, Leonid Soybelman, Derek Shirley, Thomas Charbonnel, Michelangelo Contini, Tobias Delius, Cosima Weiter, Natahn Fuhr, Florian Bach, Boris Hauf, Axel Dörner, Paed Conca, Thomas Helton, Alexandre Simon, Christian Del Monte, Tobias Schirmer, Eisaku Nagira.



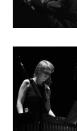
### Chris Abrahams (piano)

Born in New Zealand, living in Sidney and pianist of the jazz trio The Necks, he was a member of Benders, The Laughing Clowns and The Sparklers. Since the early Eighties he recorded several solo albums (lately the soundtrack for the australian movie "The Tender Hook") and also in collaboration with Melanie Oxley, The Church, The Whitlams, Midnight Oil, Wendy Matthews, Skunkhour and Silverchair.



## Els Vandeweyer (vibraphone)

Born in Belgium and living in Berlin, she studied at the Performative Arts School of Antwerp and the Royal Conservatory of Bruxelles. She founded in Portugal the IMI Kollektief Quintet. In Norway she worked with Ingebrigt Haaker Flaten and Paal Nilssen-Love, and with Ken Vandermark, Fred Lonberg-Holm, Kent Kessler, Tim Daisy and Jeff Parker in Chicago.



## Paula Sell (accordion)

Born in Berlin, she works in several balkan and klezmer projects such as ?Shmaltz! and The Hinking Sinking Ladies, she writes music for theatre and cinema and also performs alone with vocals and accordion. She collaborated with Hans Unstern and Ljuti Hora.



## Manuel Kailuweit (guitar)

Coming from Aachen and living in Berlin, he's guitar, sax, bass, drums and piano player. He played with bands such as Trickster, Catfish Bones, Krauses Frok, Jasmine Tea, Traumjob, Die heile Nachbarin. He's currently guitarist of Wrong and Jane Walton.

## Pablo Juanes (sax)

Active since 1991 between Buenos Aires and Berlin, he plays in bands such as Froggy Burger, Tathata, Mondo, Organic, Come and Exótica. He worked wih visual artists such as Charly Nijensohn, writes live soundtracks for cinema and edits sound installations and theatre performances.

#### TRACKLIST & CREDITS

01: "My Own Paranormal Activity" [10:15]

Recorded on May 18th 2010

Rafael Bord: violin Chris Abrahams: piano Pablo Juanes: saxophone Marcello S. Busato: drums Els Vandeweyer: vibraphone Marco Bianciardi: vocals, guitar

02: "Sophia Verloren" [10:02]

Recorded on May 6th 2010 Rafael Bord: violin Paula Sell: accordion

Marco Bianciardi: vocals, guitar Marcello S. Busato: drums, objects

03: "Quinto Mistero Della Gioia" [12:35]

Recorded on May 18th 2010 Chris Abrahams: piano Marco Bianciardi: bass Pablo Juanes: saxophone Rafael Bord: theremin, violin Marcello S. Busato: drums, objects Els Vandeweyer: vibraphone, objects 04: "Luce" [9:52]

Recorded on May 6th 2010

Rafael Bord: oud Paula Sell: accordion Marcello S. Busato: drums

Marco Bianciardi: vocals, guitar, percussions

05: "...And The Snow Still Falls" [13:05]

Recorded on May 6th and 18th 2010

Paula Sell: accordion Chris Abrahams: piano Rafael Bord: violin, theremin Marco Bianciardi: vocals, guitar Marcello S. Busato: drums, objects Els Vandeweyer: vibraphone, objects

06: "Alice Never" [12:30]

Recorded on May 6th and 18th 2010

Chris Abrahams: piano
Pablo Juanes: saxophone
Manuel Kailuweit: guitar
Rafael Bord: violin, theremin
Marco Bianciardi: vocals, guitar
Marcello S. Busato: drums, objects
Els Vandeweyer: vibraphone, objects

Engineered and recorded live by Till Kreische at Antje Øklesund, Berlin.

Edited and mixed by Marco Bianciardi.

Mastered by Amaury Cambuzat.

Produced by Antje Øklesund and The Somnambulist.

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#### **FULL SETLIST OF THE THREE CONCERTS**

# May 6th, 2010

With Paula Sell

01. <u>Luce</u>

02. Sophia Verloren

03. Monday Morning Carnage

04. ... And The Snow Still Falls

With Manuel Kailuweit Arnold Erben

05. Don't You Want To Devour This War?

06. Red Carpet

With Manuel Kailuweit

07. Alice Never

08. Steam

09. My Own Paranormal Activity

With Paula Sell Manuel Kailuweit Arnold Erben 10. Impromptu #22 May 18th, 2010

With Chris Abrahams Els Vandeweyer Pablo Juanes

01. My Own Paranormal Activity

02. Alice Never

03. Quinto Mistero Della Gioia

04. ... And The Snow Still Falls

05. Sophia Verloren

06. Steam

May 28th, 2010

01. Red Carpet

02. My Own Paranormal Activity

03. 80s Violence

04. ... And The Snow Still Falls

05. Don't You Want To Devour This War?

06. Sophia Verloren

07. Logsailor

08. Alice Never

09. Steam

10. Monday Morning Carnage

11. Luce





#### DISCOGRAPHY

Moda Borderline, CD [Acid Cobra, 2010] Live in Berlin, digital [Acid Cobra, 2011] Sophia Verloren, scheduled for release in 2012

### **VIDEOGRAPHY**

Red Carpet, music video [self-produced, 2010]

#### **SOUNDTRACKS**

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