

Luna del alba

The Duo „Luna del alba“ was founded in 2016. Esrin Sossai and flamenco- guitarist Daniel Portmann met at a flamenco-concert, and soon started to work together as a Duo. Since flamenco is a genre which requires a lot of dedication and time to practise they spent a lot of time singing and playing flamenco in Portmann’s Andalusian-like kitchen. „Luna del alba“ plays traditional flamenco, but also own compositions, which usually maintain the traditional rhythmic structure of one of the „palos“ (musical styles in flamenco music). The name „Luna del alba“ symbolizes the „beauty of waking up“. „Luna“, moon, as an inspiring element of many artworks, and as an allegory of the beauty of life. „Alba“, dawn, as a symbol of openness and clarity of mind, that deepens in the essence of oneself.

Luna del alba exists in a Duo formation, in a Trio formation with dancer Ladina Bucher, and also as an Orchestra.

Esrin Sossai (vocals)

Esrin Sossai, a versatile Swiss jazz/world music singer with Italian-Turkish roots, stands out through her warm, melancholy timbre. Her honest and sensitive voice sings straight from the heart, and she feels comfortable singing in a lot of different musical styles and languages. With energy, joy and dedication she performs on various stages. Esrin Sossai convinces as a versatile and experienced musician due to various concerts in small or big groups and with her variety of musical styles such as Jazz, Flamenco, Latin, Tango Argentino and Reggae. Born in 1996, the artist has completed her Master of Arts degree, majoring in Jazzpedagogy June 2022 at the Lucerne University of Applied Sciences and Arts. Her main vocal teachers were Susanne Abbuehl, Lauren Newton, Sarah Buechi and Kristin Berardi.

Daniel Portmann (guitar)

Daniel Portmann is a Swiss guitarist who mainly plays flamenco and Latin music. He studied classical guitar (Master of Arts) at the Lucerne University of Applied Sciences and Arts and soon discovered his passion for flamenco and Latin music. His virtuosity and knowledge comes from many years spent abroad (Cuba and Spain). At the moment Daniel plays in two bands, one of them is called “Azucaribe” (Salsa), and the other one “Luna del alba” (Flamenco). He feels comfortable playing various instruments, such as the flamenco guitar and the “tres cubano” amongst others. Daniel Portmann plays various concerts and currently teaches at PH Schwyz.

Ladina Bucher (dance)

Ladina Bucher is a Swiss flamenco dancer and choreographer. She began to dance at the age of 14 and studied in Zurich with Eva Maria Gomez and Elena Vicini. She also spent various months in Spain to study at the “Fundacion de Cristina Heeren” in Sevilla and with other artists. Ladina studied “Theater and dance” at the University of Bern and is the founder of the flamenco festival “Arte reunido” in Zurich. She also founded the “Union for flamenco Switzerland”, which is a platform for flamenco artists in Switzerland. Ladina dances in various projects and teaches in various Swiss cities.