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When	Thu, 15. April 2027, 20:30 h
Category	Live Music in Rotterdam



Description

Malian ngoni virtuoso Bassekou Kouyaté returns to Rotterdam together with singer Amy Sacko for an intimate concert rooted in the musical traditions of Mali.

Kouyaté is one of the musicians most closely associated with bringing the ngoni, a traditional West African lute, to international stages. By adding strings, amplification and effects, he has developed a distinctive approach in which Malian traditions meet blues and jazz. His career has taken him to festivals including Glastonbury, Roskilde, Fuji Rock, North Sea Jazz and WOMAD.

For this concert, Kouyaté returns to the music that shaped him. Together with his wife Amy Sacko, he revisits music connected to his parents and Mali’s griot tradition, reducing the format to ngoni and voice. The smaller setting puts the focus on the dialogue between Kouyaté’s playing and Sacko’s vocals, giving the concert an almost chamber-music character.

Kouyaté has previously worked with artists including Ali Farka Touré, Toumani Diabaté and Damon Albarn, while his performances have helped introduce the ngoni to audiences far beyond West Africa.

Details

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Date: Thursday 15 April 2027
Start: 20:30
Location: LantarenVenster, Rotterdam
Tickets: €25, including €3 service costs
Genre: Malian music, griot music, blues and world music
Seating: Seated concert with free choice of seats

Line-up

Bassekou Kouyaté: ngoni
Amy Sacko: vocals

Venue - LantarenVenster

Location	LantarenVenster

Street	Otto Reuchlinweg 996
Postcode	3072 MD
City	Rotterdam
Website	https://lantarenvenster.nl

Description

LantarenVenster, located at Otto Reuchlinweg 996, is one of Rotterdam's premier venues for music and film. The cultural hub offers an intimate setting for experiencing live performances across genres.