Kasba Houariyat

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When	Sun, 13. December 2026, 21:00 h
Category	Live Music in Rotterdam



Description

Moroccan all-female percussion and vocal ensemble Kasba Houariyat bring the vibrant musical traditions of Marrakech to Grounds in Rotterdam on Sunday 13 December 2026. Expect powerful rhythms, hypnotic call-and-response singing and an energetic performance celebrating the rich musical heritage of Morocco.

Formed in the historic Kasbah district of Marrakech, Kasba Houariyat have spent nearly a decade performing at weddings, festivals and cultural celebrations. The ensemble draws on the musical traditions of the Houari people, combining ancestral rhythms with influences from Moroccan chaabi, houzi and aita music.

Traditional rhythms with irresistible energy

During their performances, the musicians traditionally sit in a circle, exchanging powerful vocal lines over a rhythmic foundation of drums and metal percussion instruments. Their music gradually builds in intensity, moving from expressive melodies and storytelling to fast, trance-like passages that invite audiences to dance.

Their repertoire includes songs about love, everyday life, spirituality and celebration, often incorporating humour and playful exchanges between performers. Dressed in colourful traditional clothing, the musicians combine the intimacy of communal music-making with the excitement of a live concert.

Kasba Houariyat offer a musical experience rooted in Moroccan cultural traditions while connecting naturally with contemporary audiences. Their performance at Grounds brings the atmosphere of Marrakech's medina to Rotterdam, where rhythm, voice and movement take centre stage.

Tickets and practical information

Kasba Houariyat perform at Grounds, Pieter de Hoochweg 125, Rotterdam, on Sunday 13 December 2026. Doors open at 20:00, with the concert starting at 21:00.

Advance tickets cost €18 plus €1 in service charges, while tickets at the door cost €20, subject to availability.

For tickets and further information, visit the official Grounds event page.

Venue - Podium Grounds

Location	Podium Grounds
Street	Pieter de Hoochweg 125

Postcode	3024 BG
City	Rotterdam
Country	NL
Website	https://www.grounds.nu/

Description

Grounds is a vibrant platform where audiences can experience groundbreaking music from emerging and renowned international artists across diverse genres. The venue hosts weekly concerts featuring styles ranging from Turkish folk to Afro beats, Latin to Sahara blues, providing a rich tapestry of global sounds.

Beyond live performances, Grounds actively contributes to the cultural climate of Rotterdam West by offering a stage for local talents and organising community events. They are also developing a second stage, Lab Grounds, in the historic HBS building in the city centre's Oude Westen district, aiming to transform it into a significant creative hub for musicians and dancers.