Meshuggah: The Forty-Year Anomaly

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When	Fri, 1. October 2027, 19:00 h - 23:00 h
Category	Live Music in Rotterdam



Description

Swedish progressive metal pioneers Meshuggah celebrate their 40th anniversary with a special concert at RTM Stage in Rotterdam Ahoy on Friday 1 October 2027. Their Forty-Year Anomaly tour brings four decades of crushing guitar riffs, complex rhythms and uncompromising metal to Rotterdam, with special guests Periphery and Vildhjarta completing an extraordinary line-up.

Formed in 1987, Meshuggah have become one of the most influential bands in modern metal. Their distinctive sound combines heavily distorted, low-tuned guitars with intricate rhythmic patterns, unconventional time signatures and relentless intensity.

Albums such as Destroy Erase Improve, Chaosphere, Nothing, obZen and Koloss helped establish their reputation for challenging traditional metal conventions. Their technical approach also played a major role in the development of djent, a progressive metal style characterised by percussive guitar sounds and rhythmically complex compositions.

Forty years of groundbreaking metal

The Forty-Year Anomaly celebrates Meshuggah's remarkable musical journey, from their early thrash metal influences to the distinctive sound that inspired countless progressive and extreme metal bands.

Known for their precision, immense sonic power and elaborate lighting productions, Meshuggah have developed a reputation for concerts that combine technical musicianship with an overwhelming physical intensity.

Special guests: Periphery and Vildhjarta

Joining Meshuggah are American progressive metal band **Periphery**, whose music combines intricate guitar work, polyrhythmic grooves and dynamic shifts between aggressive metal and melodic passages. The band are widely recognised as one of the leading names in contemporary progressive metal.

Swedish band **Vildhjarta** complete the line-up with their atmospheric and rhythmically complex approach to extreme metal. Their music combines unconventional guitar patterns, heavy breakdowns and haunting soundscapes, making them a natural addition to Meshuggah's anniversary tour.

Together, the three bands represent different generations of progressive metal, bringing an evening of technically demanding and fiercely heavy music to RTM Stage.

Tickets and practical information

Meshuggah: The Forty-Year Anomaly takes place at RTM Stage, Rotterdam Ahoy, Ahoyweg 10, Rotterdam, on Friday 1 October 2027.

Doors open at 18:00, with the concert programme starting at 19:00 and finishing at approximately 23:00. Visitors should use entrance RTM B.

Tickets start at €63.80, including service charges. General ticket sales begin on Friday 6 November 2026 at 12:00.

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

Venue - Rotterdam Ahoy

Location	Rotterdam Ahoy
Street	Ahoyweg 10
Postcode	3084 BA
City	Rotterdam
Website	https://www.ahoy.nl

Description

Rotterdam Ahoy is a multi-purpose arena known for hosting large-scale concerts, sports events, and exhibitions. With a capacity of up to 16,000, it’s celebrated for its excellent acoustics and modern design, attracting top international artists and audiences from around the world. Located in Rotterdam Zuid, the venue is easily accessible and a major hub for entertainment in the Netherlands.