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WILD MUSIC FROM THE HEART OF POLAND
US Tour
The Janusz Prusinowski Trio

Saturday, September 21, 2013 - Wednesday, October 16, 2013

Tour Schedule

Madison, WI; Chicago, IL; Cedar Rapids, IA; Bloomington, IN; Peace Dale, RI; Boston, MA; New York City, NY; San Diego, CA; San Francisco, CA; Los Angeles, CA; Richmond, VA; Washington, D.C.

What struck me right away about this music was its amazing ability to mix the feel and power of village dance music with the personal contemporary sensibilities of the players. (...) The addition of wind and brass to the Trio's sound really pushes their music into another realm. - Michal Shapiro, Huffington Post on WOMEX performance

The Janusz Prusinowski Trio is a group of musicians who follow in the traditions of village masters they have personally learned from, but they are also an avant-garde band with their own characteristic sound and language of improvisation. They combine music with dance, and the archaic with the modern. The Trio's unique style is distilled from their informed reinterpretations of central Poland's village music. They bring the mazurka - sung, played, danced, and improvised - to a new, youthful audience. Listening to the Trio you can hear how traditional music of Polish villages echoes or is echoed by a variety of genres: the music of Chopin in its melodic pattern and the use of rubato, a shared love of improvisation with blues and jazz, a tonal sophistication reminiscent of twentieth-century classical and free improvisation, and the energy and propulsion of rock music.

The band has performed in most European countries, Asia, Canada, and the USA (including Carnegie Hall and the Chicago Symphony Center). The Trio shared the stage with such renowned artists as Janusz Olejniczak, Tomasz Stanko, and Alim Qasimov. They have released two critically-acclaimed albums: *Mazurkas* (2008) and *Heart* (2010). In October of 2012, the Prusinowski Trio was officially selected to perform as part of main showcase of the prestigious world music fair WOMEX 2012 (World Music Expo) in Thessaloniki.

The Prusinowski Trio will perform in following lineup: Janusz Prusinowski, fiddle, voice, dulcimer, Polish accordion; Piotr Piszczatowski, baraban drum, frame drum; Michal Zak, wooden flutes, shawm, clarinet; Piotr Zgorzelski, folk bass, dancing; Szczepan Pospieszalski, trumpet.

Presented by Madison World Music Festival, World Music Festival in Chicago, Center for World Music, Polish Studies Center at Indiana University, Legion Arts, Lotus World Music & Arts Festival, Music at Lily Pads, DROM, Yoshis San Francisco, School of Music and Dance San Diego, San Diego State University, Southwestern College, The UCLA Herb Alpert School of Music, Consulate General of the Republic of Poland in Los Angeles, Dancing Unlimited, Folk Dance Center San Diego, Richmond Folk Music Festival, Embassy of the Republic of Poland in Washington, D.C., the Kennedy Center: Millennium Stage in collaboration with the Polish Cultural Institute New York.

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