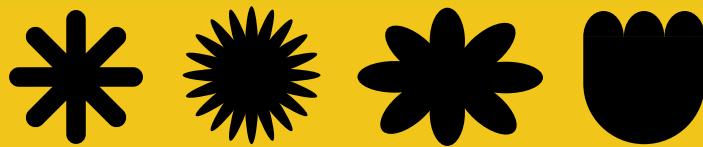




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You can go here if you don't understand Dutch very well yet

You can go here if you already understand a little Dutch

You understand a lot of Dutch and you can also tell something already

You speak and understand Dutch fluently



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# FEELING THE SUMMER?

Welcome to the **31st edition** of Zomer van Antwerpen! Europe's longest running festival lasts 74 days in 2025. From June 19th to August 31st, Antwerp will once again transform into a vibrant playground full of magic, wonder and unexpected encounters. Come and be amazed by theater, music, circus and film across town.

This year our program includes many young creators, but also internationally acclaimed companies and performers. More than ever, we aim to be for everyone. Young or old, local resident or visitor, art lover or curious passer-by, everyone is welcome! Discover (inter)national talent, enjoy hot summer evenings and experience a season that will linger for a long time.

Visit [zva.be](http://zva.be) and follow Zomer van Antwerpen on social media **@zomervanantwerpen** to stay informed about all updates.



## TICKETS

Our ticket sale starts on **Saturday, June 7 at 10 AM** on **zva.be**. Tickets can be purchased with an account via zva.be. Check beforehand if your login details for your Zomer van Antwerpen account are still correct. Log in with your e-mail address and personal password. If you do not have an account yet, you can create one. This will save you time when the ticket sale starts.

Tickets can be paid by **debit or credit card, Bancontact or iDeal**. You can buy a maximum of 10 tickets for every performance. Tickets are not refundable or exchangeable. We kindly ask you to store your purchased tickets on your **smartphone**. We strive to use as little paper as possible.

Do you use a **wheelchair**? Reserve your seat in advance via [ticketing@zva.be](mailto:ticketing@zva.be) or call us on +32 (0)3 224 85 39. Wherever possible, we provide accessible toilets and parking spaces for holders of a parking pass for **people with disabilities**.

Do you have a question about our ticket sale? Be sure to read the **FAQ page on zva.be**. Is your question not included? Email us at [ticketing@zva.be](mailto:ticketing@zva.be) and please don't forget to include the transaction number of your order. If you cannot reach us online for questions or tickets, you can also call us at **+32 (0)3 224 85 39**.

## A-CARD & REDUCED PRICING

Do you have an A-card (provided by the City of Antwerp) with reduced pricing? Then you can order tickets at a discounted price. These tickets can only be ordered **by phone at +32 (0)3 224 85 39**. You can also save points at the Zomerbar and Zomerfabriek, make sure to bring your A-card. All information about the A-card can be found at [antwerpen.be/a-kaart](http://antwerpen.be/a-kaart).

## INCLUSIVE & ACCESSIBLE

Zomer van Antwerpen aims to be a **safe and inclusive environment** where everyone feels welcome. Please consult the legend on the inside cover, which outlines icons for language level, wheelchair accessibility and support for blind or visually impaired people and people who are deaf or hard of hearing.

## HUNGRY? THIRSTY?

At the **Zomerbar** and in the **Zomerfabriek**, you can find our extensive menu with snacks, alcoholic and non-alcoholic drinks. You can also find a (pop-up) bar at almost all play areas. During some performances, drinks are not allowed.

## CASHLESS

We are a cashless festival. At all our locations and in our bars, you can pay securely with your **debit card, Payconiq by Bancontact**, and/or **credit card**.

## TRANSPORTATION

We encourage everyone to travel to our locations by bike or public transport. Plan your route via the **De Lijn** and **NMBS** websites and apps. Don't have your own bike? Take a (city) **Velo!** More info at [velo-antwerpen.be](http://velo-antwerpen.be) or via the Velo app. **Donkey Republic** is also providing bikes near many ZVA locations this year. Enjoy a special ZVA discount with the code **'ZOMER2025'**. All information via [donkey.bike](http://donkey.bike) or via the app. Are you coming by car? Take the low emission zone (LEZ) into account and leave on time. Parking spaces are often limited. All information can be found at [slimnaarantwerpen.be](http://slimnaarantwerpen.be).

## FIRST AID/EMERGENCY HOTLINE

Need a bandage? Twisted your ankle? Feeling a little too warm? Want to report something? Look for our **signs** indicating the nearest first aid station or speak to a Zomer van Antwerpen **employee** or **volunteer**, who you'll recognize by their cheerful T-shirts.

## SAY CHEESE!

We take the utmost care with your personal data. This includes photographs and video footage. During the festival, you may encounter our **photographers** and **festival reporters**. If you see yourself in one of our published photos and would prefer not to be featured, please contact [communicatie@zva.be](mailto:communicatie@zva.be). Our full privacy statement can be found on [zva.be](http://zva.be).

## LATE ARRIVALS

Be sure to arrive at least **20 minutes early** so you have time for a drink and make sure your seat is available. Late arrivals may be refused entry.

19 Jun

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31 Aug

# SUNSET

*The most beautiful show  
on earth*

The sun rises and sets every day, a timeless ritual that never gets stale. Yet no sunset can compare to the one in Antwerp, where the evening sun bathes the city and the banks of **the Scheldt** in a magical light. Here, by the water, the sky changes from bright yellow to deep orange and intense red as the sun casts its last warm rays over the city.

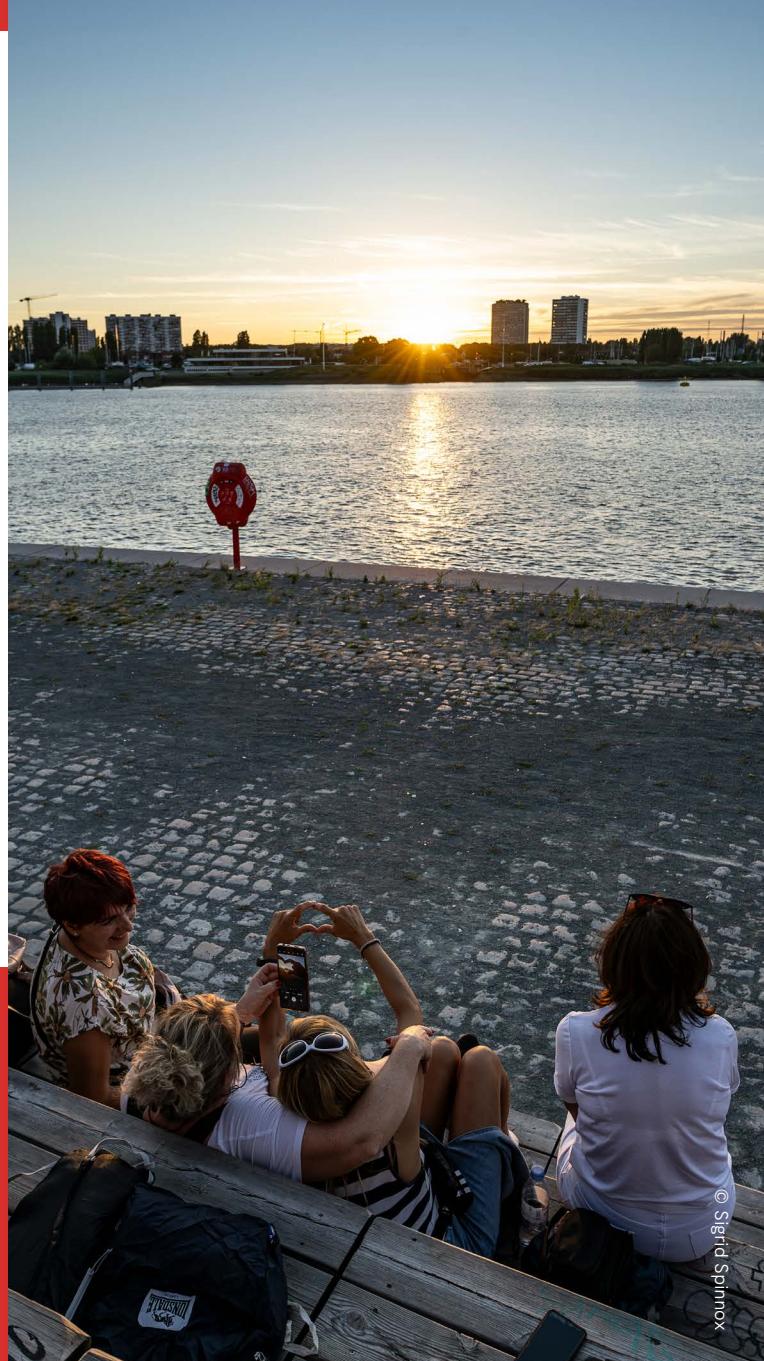
This summer, our iconic **wooden stand** will once again be ready for you on the banks of the Scheldt, the perfect place to gather and admire this spectacle. Feel free to bring your own snacks and drinks and be enchanted by the play of colors above our river. The relaxed atmosphere, the buzz around you and the view of the passing boats make this a special moment.

Whether you come with friends, family, or just on your own, an evening near the Scheldt is always **special**. Want to know when the sun sets? You can find the current sunset times at [zva.be](http://zva.be).



19 June → 31 August  
Free

Tavernierkaai 3,  
2000 Antwerp  
Behind the Loodswezen



19 Jun

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31 Aug

# ZOMERFABRIEK

*Antwerp's best kept secret*

We kick off on June 19th with the opening of Zomerfabriek, the **creative hotspot** in an old gas factory where music, dance, sports, and nightlife come together. Every week, you can enjoy completely **free** live performances, exhibitions, spoken word, jam sessions, festivals, workshops, street food and delicious drinks.

In addition to regular events such as **Classic Tuesdays**, **Grab the Mic, Dance & Jam and Sunday Jams**, Zomerfabriek also offers a fitness zone with a skate park, basketball court, calisthenics and sports tournaments in collaboration with Sporting A. Thanks to our **Open Call**, this year you can also enjoy HAUSCAT Festival, Textile Harmony workshop, Kunst voor Kunst exhibition, Barrio Latino Festival, Return of the Breakers hip-hop battle, Soweto Amapiano festival, Queer Market, Queer Cuban Salsa and many hot club nights.

There's always something to do here. Check out the full program at [zomerfabriek.be](http://zomerfabriek.be). All the updates on your feed? Want to organize something yourself next year? Follow Zomerfabriek on Instagram and TikTok!



19 June → 31 August  
Tue → Fri: 5 PM to 1 AM  
Sat → Sun: 3 PM to 1 AM  
longer open during parties  
Free

Zomerfabriek  
Minkelersstraat 2,  
2018 Antwerp



20 Jun

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22 Jun

# MEETING OF STYLES + STREET ART MUSEUM

## Graffiti op steroïden

Imagine a neighborhood where every wall tells a story, where colors dance on bricks and where creativity knows no bounds. Welcome to the streets around the **Zomerfabriek**, a paradise for street art enthusiasts. We call it our **Street Art Museum**. It is not a traditional museum with walls and doors, but an open-air collection that is accessible to everyone, day and night, 7 days a week. Here you will find not only the largest collection of murals in the city, but also the graffiti open-air festival **Meeting of Styles** on **June 20th, 21st and 22nd**. A phenomenon that brings together an **international** community in Antwerp.

What makes Meeting of Styles so special is the unparalleled **mix of styles, techniques, and cultures**. From hyperrealistic portraits to abstract explosions of color, from politically charged messages to pure fantasy: every artist gets free range. After Meeting of Styles, the Street Art Museum remains permanently accessible year round.



*Meeting of styles:  
20 June → 22 June  
Street Art Museum:  
open all year round  
Free*

*Krugerstraat en  
Minkelersstraat  
Around Site Nieuw  
Zurenborg,  
2018 Antwerp*



28 Jun

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31 Aug

# ZOMERBAR

*Every day is a holiday*

Looking for that holiday feeling in the city? Our summer bar Zomerbar in Park Groot Schijn is the perfect **green oasis** for young and old alike. Here you'll find everything you need for a glorious summer day. Relax in beach chairs or hammocks, feast on delicious street food and enjoy refreshing drinks. Children can let off steam in the nearby **climbing and adventure forest**, while parents relax or catch up with each other.

The Zomerbar is not only a **meeting place**, but also the playground for many circus artists. Enjoy free (and paid) circus performances and experience unforgettable moments together, surrounded by greenery. Whether you come with family, friends, or just by yourself, you will feel like you've **escaped** from the hustle and bustle of the city. For just a bit.

Come by, soak up the atmosphere, and discover why Zomerbar is the ideal destination for a summer outing.



28 June → 31 August  
(not on Mondays)  
Tue → Fri: 3 PM - midnight  
Sat → Sun: 2 PM - midnight  
Free

*Park Groot Schijn  
Ruggeveldlaan 486,  
2100 Deurne*



29 Jun

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11 Jul

# PLAYA DE LAS AMÉRICAS

*Maria & Gina*

National  
premiere

Maria and Gina, two **charming singers** from the most beautiful Canary Island, are coming to Belgium especially for you.

*"They're from the Kempen, so you'll understand them."* On the beaches of Tenerife, they wrote poetry and music about the crashing sea, the setting sun, sunburn and the beauty of friendship.

They are best friends, but do they share all their secrets with each other? And what does Fons think about that? The **friendship romcom** by two young creators that everyone should see.

Tip: take the **DeWaterbus** to Fort Lillo and imagine you're really in Tenerife. The performance takes place in the open air, while you sit at cozy tables. Maybe order a strawberry daiquiri to go with it. *Fiesta loca!*



29 June → 11 July  
(not on Mon & Sat)  
hours via [zva.be](http://zva.be)  
60 min  
€10



Fort van Lillo  
Vestingstraat 13,  
2040 Antwerp



© Maria en Gina

02 Jul

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27 Jul

# OSTINATO

Akoreacro

International premiere

Akoreacro returns to Zomer van Antwerpen! Welcome to **Ostinato**, a thrilling **circus journey** through time. These acrobats and musicians take you on a journey through history, from prehistoric times to the future. Ostinato is not only the Italian word for stubborn, but also a short musical pattern that is repeated over and over again. Just like music, people often fall back into the same patterns. What if things were to turn out slightly differently each time? Acrobatics and music merge into one story, full of contrasts and irresistible jokes.

You won't be able to **take your eyes off** this acrobatic rollercoaster. Vulnerable and powerful, stumbling but persistent. A show that amazes and inspires.

Already worth repeating.



02 July → 27 July  
(not on Mon & Tue)  
Always at 8 PM  
Except on Sun at 4 PM  
75 min  
€15



Park Groot Schijn  
Ruggeveldlaan 486,  
2100 Deurne



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09 Jul

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27 Jul

# FALSTAFF

National  
premiere

DESCHONECOMPANIË &  
Muziektheater Transparant

Five generations of women form a troupe that performs an adaptation of Shakespeare's **The Merry Wives of Windsor**. On and off stage, they battle with the iconic character Falstaff. As they attempt to perform the play, reality repeatedly breaks through the performance. Conflicts and confusion lurk in the wings. Even the director becomes part of the story. Gradually, the boundaries between fiction and reality blur. **What is real and what is not?** This **top-notch cast** creates a great deal of planned confusion.

A concept by Tom Goossens and Elien Hanselaer, with Stefaan Degand, Elien Hanselaer, Lucie Plasschaert, Ariane van Vliet, Ecem Topcu, and Sien Eggers, under the musical direction of Wouter Deltour, **Falstaff** unfolds like a true theatrical matryoshka.

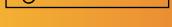
In the open air, you can watch this **fresh take** on a classic, as well as on the operas of Verdi, Nicolai, and Williams.



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09 Jul → 27 Jul

09 July → 27 July  
(not on Mon & Tue)  
Always at 8 PM  
Except on Sun at 4 PM  
90 min  
€14

Fort 3  
Zoomweg,  
2150 Borsbeek



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16 Jul

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27 Jul

# STREET CHRONICLES

## *Chimaera*

We all wear **masks**. Out of necessity, out of habit, to be seen or not to be seen. **Chimaera** takes you on a thrilling journey through the hidden layers of the city, with a dynamic mix of dance, film, and live music: string quartet, electric guitar, percussion and vocals.

Stories from the street come to life in a hidden waiting room of the **most beautiful train station** in the world. Who and what is hiding behind the bravado, the indifference, the smile?

Let yourself be carried away by raw emotions, discover the voices behind the façades and experience the city like never before.



16 July → 27 July  
(not on Mon & Tue)  
hours via [zva.be](http://zva.be)  
60 min  
€10

Wachtzaal Eersteklas  
Centraal Station  
Koningin Astridplein 27,  
2018 Antwerp



18 Jul

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10 Aug

# NOCTURNE (PARADE)

Compagnie Non Nova/

Phia Ménard

International  
premiere

Let yourself be carried away into the swirling world of **Nocturne (Parade)**, the latest installment of the Wind Cycle by renowned French director and performance artist Phia Ménard. A joyful comeback, following the earlier success of Ménard's **L'après-midi d'un foehn** and **VORTEX** at Zomer van Antwerpen.

In a **nocturnal aerial ballet** full of untameable dancers, a fragile universe unfolds. Good and evil dance together in a battle for the night.

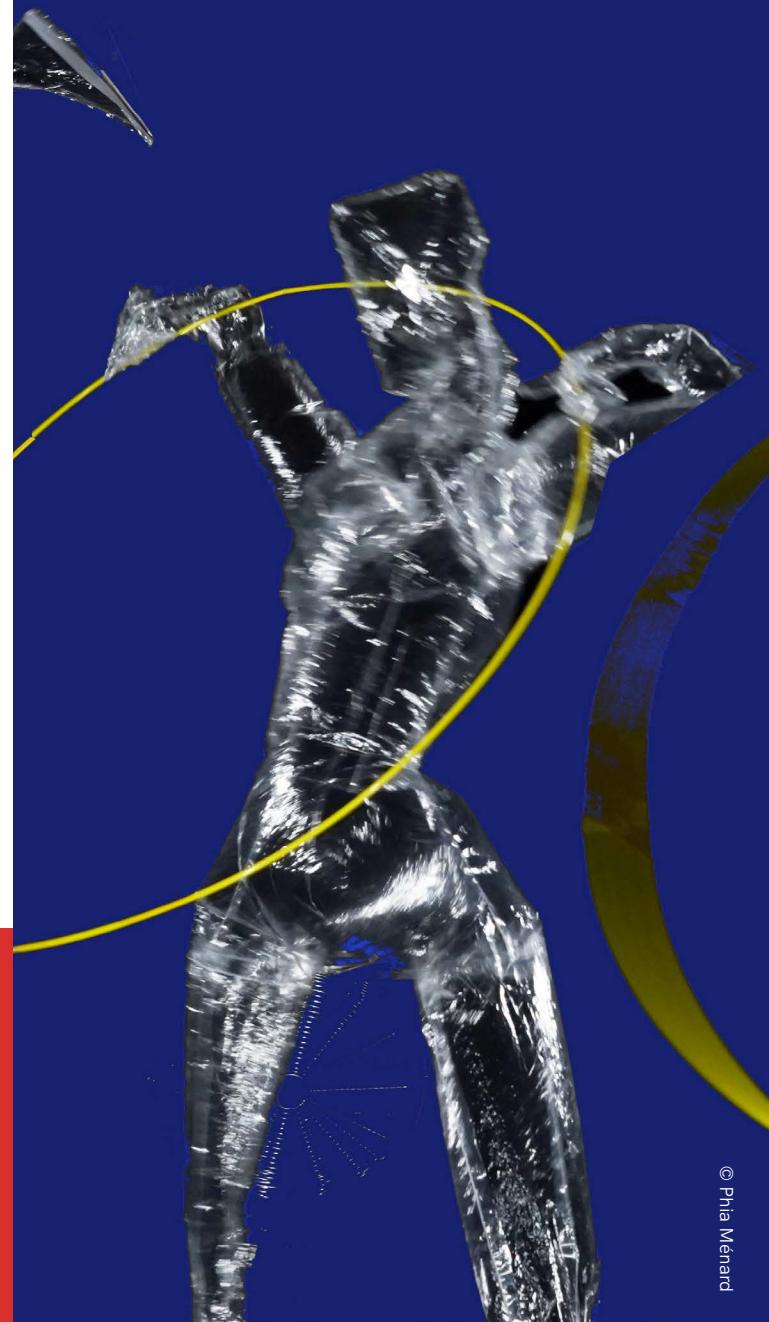
A majestic visual extravaganza with **plastic** dancers, invisible choreographers and a dash of social criticism. Do you dare to search for the light at the end of the tunnel? Experience this **eccentric** performance, where your sense of direction will disappear and only your imagination will show you the way.



18 July → 10 August  
(not on Mondays)  
hours via zva.be  
60 min  
€12



Zaal AthenA  
Franklin Rooseveltplaats  
11, 2060 Antwerp



18 Jul

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17 Aug

# DESERANCE

Circo Zoé

National  
premiere

Come and be enchanted by **Deserance**, a magical circus performance where dreams and reality come together. Accompanied by powerful opera singing and live music, these **acrobats** float through the air with aerial hoops, cyr wheels and trapezes.

Every moment exudes desire: for freedom, for love, for the unattainable. Let your heart race with **dizzying** acts and poetic images that take you to the limits of the (im)possible.

The combination of virtuoso acrobatics, compelling music and theatrical expression will keep you **on the edge of your seat** in the cozy tent. A sensory journey full of excitement, beauty, and emotion, as only these passionate Italians can deliver.



18 July → 17 August  
(not on Mon & Tue)  
hours via [zva.be](http://zva.be)  
83 min  
€15

Park Groot Schijn  
Ruggeveldlaan 486,  
2100 Deurne

**AD** 10 Aug



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22 Jul

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22 Aug

# ALLEEN EEN WONDER

Johannes Lievens  
& Martha!tentatief

National  
premiere

In **Alleen Een Wonder**, Johannes Lievens, known for his monologue **De Eenzame Stad**, tells the story of someone who is saved by a kiwi plant, someone who is ruined by five digits, and someone whose life was changed by an encounter at the foot of the Himalayas.

Together with drummer Orlan Ghekiere, Johannes is feverishly traveling, night after night, in search of something to hold on to. An ode to **unexpected twists and turns**. Can a story save someone?

Performed outdoors at the **Stuivenberg site**, which is undergoing extensive redevelopment, Johannes takes you on a journey through disarming, vulnerable stories as only he can.

Grandly intimate.



22 July → 22 August  
(not on Mon, Sat & Sun)  
at 8 PM  
105 min  
€10



Site Stuivenberg  
Pesthofstraat  
near number 6,  
2060 Antwerp

29 Jul → 22 Aug



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29 Jul

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09 Aug

# THE CONFERENCE OF THE BIRDS

National premiere

# National premiere

## *Forman Brothers Theatre*

At our headquarters, you can experience this grand and compelling spectacle by **Petr Forman** (son of legendary director Miloš Forman), inspired by the famous **Persian epic** by Farid al-Din Attar. In a magical **360° setting**, where the stage and audience merge, we follow a colorful flock of birds on an adventurous quest to find their king. With **impressive projections**, dance, and puppetry, this performance is the **visual gem** of our line-up.

Immerse yourself in a world full of **symbolism** and poetry, where the birds (each with their own character and desires) embark on a journey together in search of wisdom, unity, a leader, but also themselves. A never-before-seen theater tent, stunning costumes and state of the art technical feats create an enchanting atmosphere in which boundaries fade and you, as a spectator, become part of the story.

This international **masterpiece** is performed in Dutch and English. A must-see!



NL 



**29 July → 09 August  
(not on Mon & Sun)  
at 8 PM  
75 min  
€20**

*Zomerfabriek  
Minkelersstraat 2,  
2018 Antwerp*



03 Aug

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30 Aug

# TOUT VA HYPER BIEN

*Collectif Malunés*

The crowd favorites are back! Collectif Malunés turns the world upside down and has specially renovated their tent for this show. It can always get **faster, bigger, and crazier**. Expect acrobats who defy gravity, make you laugh and make you think.

A **whirlwind** of energy and humor. **TOUT VA HYPER BIEN** shows how we try to hold our own in a world that is always on the move. Sometimes it seems as if everything is going perfectly, but behind the scenes there is chaos, ingenuity... and pure circus magic.

Get ready for spectacular stunts, absurd moments and a healthy dose of **optimism**. In this show, nothing is what it seems.

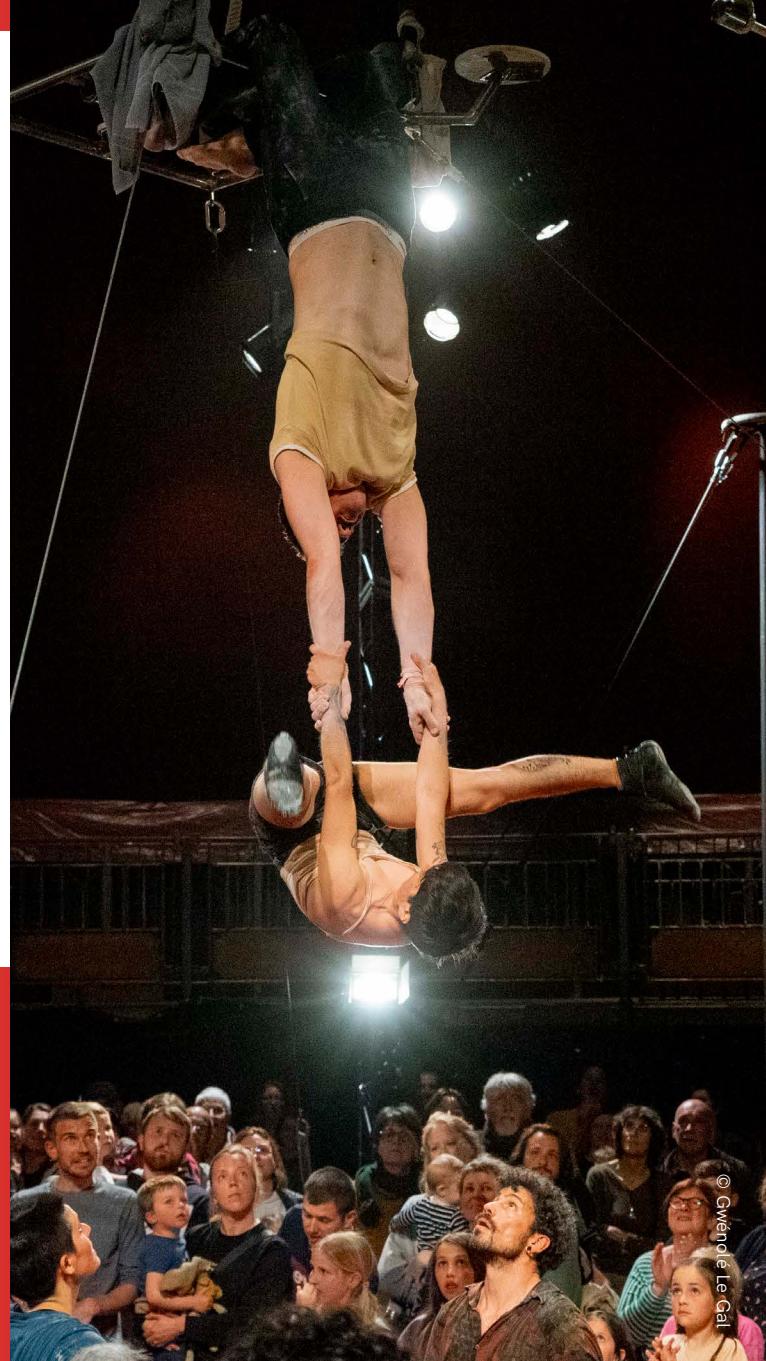
50% circus, 50% cabaret, 100% Malunés!



03 August → 30 August  
(not on Mon & Tue)  
Always at 8 PM  
Except on Sun at 4 PM  
75 min  
€15



*Park Groot Schijn*  
Ruggeveldlaan 486,  
2100 Deurne



22 Aug

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24 Aug

# DANS MA PISCINE

*Cie Ea Eo*

Immerse yourself in the surprising world of **Dans Ma Piscine**. In an impressive hexagonal **aquarium** two meters high and wide, a juggler plays with the laws of nature.

Before your eyes, everyday objects come to life. They float, spin, and dance **underwater**, as if they have a will of their own. Each object takes on its own character and movement, making every dive a new discovery.

With great humor and flare, the artist shows how he challenges and plays with the elements. Seven objects, seven ways of floating or sinking, each time a different, magical encounter. A performance that enchants **young and old** alike and invites you to view the world with wonder.

A playful, **sensory experience**, where the impossible suddenly seems quite ordinary. You won't forget this performance any time soon.



22 August → 24 August  
At 3 PM and 6 PM  
40 min  
Free



*Park Groot Schijn*  
Ruggeveldlaan 486,  
2100 Deurne



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26 Aug

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28 Aug

# EFECTOS ESPECIALES (FX)

National  
premiere

*Luciana Acuña &  
Alejo Moguillansky*

What if making a movie was also a dance performance? Would you be a spectator or an extra? Step into the world of **Efectos Especiales (FX)**, a unique **live-action** performance in which the city forms the backdrop for an endless, spectacular shoot-out scene. The iconic streets of Antwerp are transformed into a **film set**.

A **visual spectacle**, in which every shot and every effect is slightly different. A poetic ode to the cycle of life, a wheel of fortune that never stops turning.

Choreographer Luciana Acuña and director Alejo Moguillansky give everyone access to this unique making-of. Every scene and every death brings new images and emotions. 3 x 300 meters of **adrenaline**. Do you dare to watch?



26 August → 28 August  
at 6 PM  
60 min  
Free



Corner Meistraat/Hopland,  
2000 Antwerp



29 Aug

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31 Aug

# THE AIR BETWEEN US

*Chloe Loftus &  
Florent Devlesaver*

National  
premiere

This impressive open-air performance has been touring the world non-stop for several years, and once you see it, you'll understand why.

This special **dance in the air** brings together two performers from completely different backgrounds, thanks to their shared passion. Florent Devlesaver, who uses his **wheelchair** as an extension of his body, and choreographer Chloe Loftus float, spin, and balance together at great heights.

Their movements tell a **poetic story** of harmony, trust, and bridging differences, keeping each other in balance both literally and figuratively.

The performance is an ode to **inclusion**: not only on stage, but also in experience. Here, all bodies are equal, all perspectives welcome.

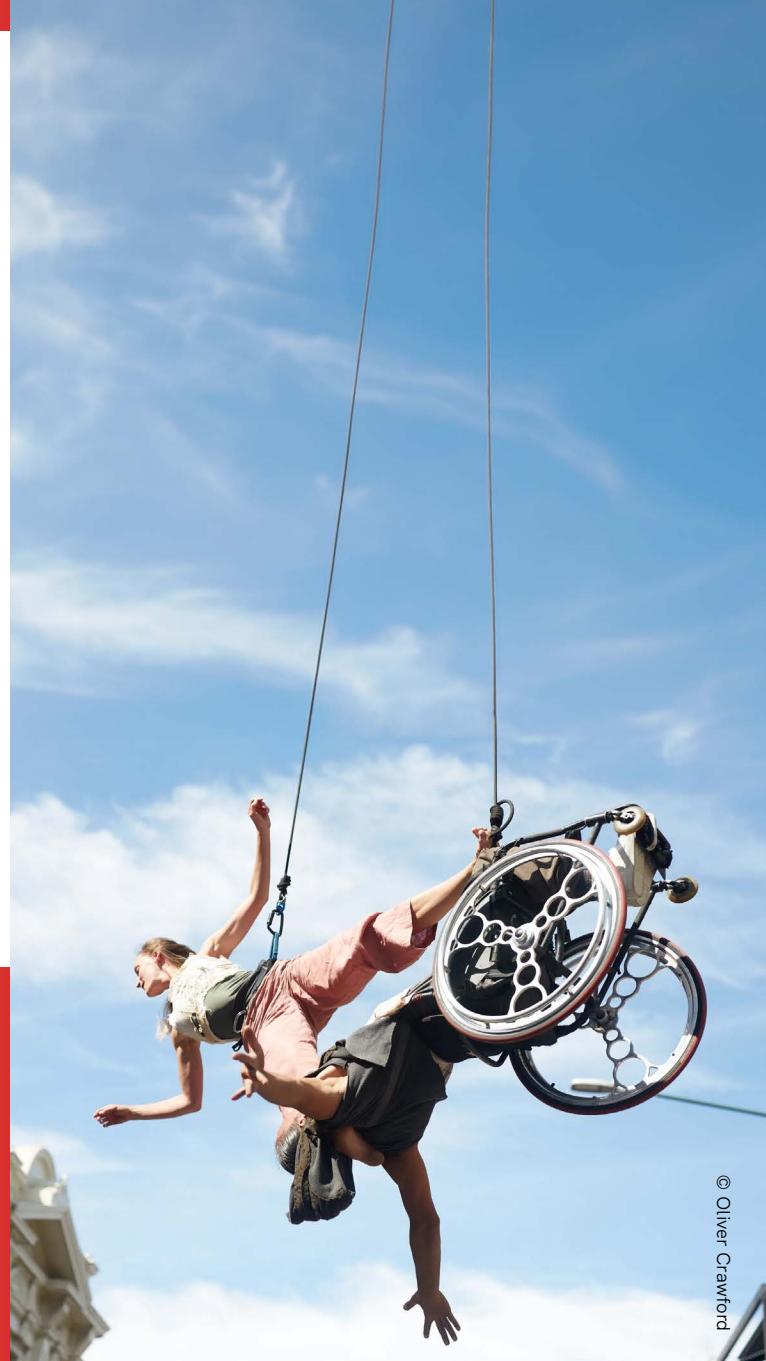
Breathtakingly beautiful.



29 August → 31 August  
at 4 PM and 6 PM  
20 min  
Free



*Park Groot Schijn  
Ruggeveldlaan 486,  
2100 Deurne*



02 Jul

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31 Aug

# MUZIEK IN DE WIJK

*Music on your square*

For the ultimate party, head to the squares in our city. That's where we celebrate the summer, with music from **all corners of the world** and **local talent**. From African rhythms to French tango. Something for everyone. Enjoy yummy street food, refreshing drinks while sunny music gets your feet moving! Together with the musicians, your neighbors, and your friends, you dance under the summer sky. The perfect summer evening!

Follow **@zomervanantwerpen** on social media for all the opening acts, including indie rock god **Dexelle** and **Band of Brothers** by television producer Tim Van Aelst.



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02 July → 31 August  
Free



[muziekindewijk.be](http://muziekindewijk.be)

JULY	Kasiva Mutua (Kenya)	Fabio Ramos (Cape Verde)	Riccie Oriach (Dominican Republic)	Sara Curruchich (Guatemala)
STUIVENBERGPLEIN (6 PM)	02 JULY	09 JULY	16 JULY	23 JULY
SINT-ANDRIESPLAATS (6 PM)	03 JULY	10 JULY	17 JULY	24 JULY
BIST (7 PM)	04 JULY	11 JULY	18 JULY	25 JULY
ZILLEBEKELAAN (6 PM)	05 JULY	12 JULY	19 JULY	26 JULY
KRUGERPLEIN (2 PM)	06 JULY	13 JULY	20 JULY	27 JULY

not on Mon &amp; Tue

AUG	Tangomatan (France)	Expresso Transatlântico (Portugal)	Valérie Ékoumé (France/ Cameroon)	Calle Mambo (Chile)
DE SCHINDE Oorderseweg (7 PM)	06 AUG	13 AUG	20 AUG	27 AUG
DE CONINCKPLEIN (6 PM)	07 AUG	14 AUG	21 AUG	28 AUG
DAGERAADPLAATS (7 PM)	08 AUG	15 AUG	22 AUG	29 AUG
FLORIS PRIMSPARK (6 PM)	09 AUG	16 AUG	23 AUG	30 AUG
KROONPLEIN (2 PM)	10 AUG	17 AUG	24 AUG	31 AUG

not on Mon &amp; Tue

## MUZIEK IN DE WIJK JULY



**Kasiva Mutua**

02 July - 06 July

With her debut album *Desturi*, Kasiva Mutua proves that she is more than worthy of her title as East Africa's best female percussionist. She creates a tapestry of sound combining traditional rhythms and modern sounds, brought directly from Kenya to your square.



**Fabio Ramos**

09 July - 13 July

Thanks to Fabio Ramos' compelling songs and infectious rhythms, Antwerp is sure to get just a little bit warmer this summer. Let yourself be carried away by the nostalgic sounds, danceable rhythms, and irresistible charm of this Cape Verdean crooner.



**Riccie Oriach**

16 July - 20 July

Dominican singer, guitarist, and percussionist Riccie Oriach has a distinctive musical style that fuses punk and rock with traditional Caribbean rhythms such as merengue, bachata, and samba. This Latin Grammy Award nominee will make the Antwerp hearts beat just a little faster.



**Sara Curruchich**

23 July - 27 July

Sara Curruchich is the first indigenous Guatemalan singer and songwriter to sing in both Kaqchikel (her mother tongue) and Spanish for an international audience. She also uses her voice as an activist for UN Women Guatemala. Sara's visit to Antwerp is an absolute gem in our program.

## MUZIEK IN DE WIJK AUGUST



**Tangomotan**

06 Aug - 10 Aug

After two albums, Tangomotán continues to explore tango in all its facets with their third opus, *Motán*. A Tangomotán live show is an exciting journey of discovery through the rich and complex history of tango. The genre was added to UNESCO's list of intangible cultural heritage in 2009 and they know how to translate that into 2025.



**Espresso Transatlântico** 13 Aug - 17 Aug

This trio met in Lisbon, where they grew up surrounded by music. They started making songs together across the Atlantic. That's how they came up with their name, which reflects their transcontinental collaboration and cross-pollination of genres. We're already fans of this spicy indie rock!



**Valérie Ékoumè**

20 Aug - 24 Aug

French-Cameroonian Valérie Ékoumè comes from a family of musicians with eclectic tastes, from Congolese rumba to Michael Jackson. Her career took off when she started collaborating with the Soul Makossa Gang. Now she travels the world with her own music and explosive live show *La Danse de l'Eléphant*.



**Calle Mambo**

27 Aug - 31 Aug

This Chilean band takes you on a journey through Latin America! With a mix of rhythms such as cumbia, huayno, and timba, combined with modern electronic beats, they create an irresistible sound. On stage, they play more than 10 instruments and deliver an energetic show full of dance and passion.

05 Aug

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30 Aug

# CINEMA URBANA

*Movies under the stars*

The Zomer van Antwerpen **open-air cinema** is back! A new program of blockbusters, indie favorites and classics, curated by J.E.F. and De Cinema. Discover new film talent through a series of short films as a prelude, in collaboration with Breedbeeld. **Don't forget to bring your own chair!**

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(not on Mon & Sun)  
at 10 PM  
Free  
[cinema-urbana.be](http://cinema-urbana.be)



Kattendijkdok-Oostkaai 25,  
near the Schengenplein,  
2000 Antwerp



Classic

05 Aug

D.A. Pennebaker

## MONTEREY POP

In Monterey Pop, the director shows how a musical revolution erupted in 1967. This exhilarating concert film brings the flower power generation to life.



06 Aug

Bong Joon-ho

## MICKEY 17

Mickey Barnes works for a company that expects its employees to die and return as clones. This comedy dares to question the status quo.



07 Aug

Levan Akin

## CROSSING ISTANBUL



Lia, a retired teacher, searches for her missing niece in Istanbul. She discovers the trans community and finds hope, tenderness and unexpected encounters.



08 Aug

Rose Glass

## LOVE LIES BLEEDING



The life of gym manager Lou changes when bodybuilder Jackie signs up. Their romance escalates, especially when Lou's sister ends up in the hospital.



09 Aug Anthony Schatteman

YOUNG HEARTS

EARCATCH



Elias falls in love for the first time with his new neighbor Alexander. Supported by his mother and father, he questions whether he should express his feelings or not.

15 Aug

Rich Peppiatt

KNEECAP

The hip-hop act Kneecap emerges on the streets of Belfast. They become the face of a civil rights movement, while police and politicians try to stop them.



Classic

12 Aug Stephan Elliott

PRISCILLA QUEEN OF THE DESERT

In this timeless classic, three showgirls leave Sydney in their lavender-colored bus Priscilla. Their goal? To give a spectacular drag performance!

16 Aug

Halina Rejin

BABYGIRL

EARCATCH



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The life of Romy (Nicole Kidman), a successful CEO with a loving family, is thrown off balance when she meets a cheeky intern. An erotic thriller about desire and control.



13 Aug Andrea Arnold

BIRD

Bailey and her absent father live in a squat. She meets the eccentric Bird, who is searching for his birthplace. Andrea Arnold paints a compelling portrait of a British family.

Classic

19 Aug

Louis Malle

ASCENSEUR POUR L'ÉCHAFAUD



In Louis Malle's debut film, lovers Florence and Julien plan to murder Florence's husband, who is also Julien's boss. A film in which multiple plotlines unfold.



14 Aug Gints Zilbalodis

FLOW

A cat awakens in a world flooded by water. Together with a dog, a monkey, a bird and a capybara, he must adapt to this new, unknown world.



20 Aug

Gustav Möller

SONS

Prison guard Eva is loved by prisoners and colleagues. When she sees a familiar face among the arrivals, she requests a transfer. A dangerous power struggle ensues.



**21 Aug** **Nora el Hourch**  
**HLM PUSSY**

15-year-old Zineb is confronted with harassment. Her best friends denounce the incident in an online video. A beautiful tribute to *sisterhood*.



**27 Aug** **Guy Nattiv & Zar Amir Ebrahimi**  
**TATAMI**

Leila heads to the World Judo Championships to win a medal for Iran. When she faces an Israeli opponent, the regime threatens her. A relevant story.



**22 Aug** **Ish & Monir Aït Hamou**  
**BXL** EARCATCH

Tarek, a talented martial artist, gets close to an international breakthrough to give his family a better future. He encounters prejudice and violence in Brussels.



**28 Aug** **Rúnar Rúnarsson**  
**WHEN THE LIGHT BREAKS**

Una has a secret relationship with Diddi. When he wants to break up with his partner, he dies in a fire. In her grief, Una finds an unexpected connection in the Icelandic landscapes.



**23 Aug** **Coralie Fargeat**  
**THE SUBSTANCE**

An actress is offered a miracle potion to create a youthful version of herself. The shock film of the year! Body horror satire with comeback queen Demi Moore.



**29 Aug** **Adam Elliot**  
**MEMOIR OF A SNAIL**

Grace and her twin brother Gilbert end up in different foster homes but stay in touch. A dark claymation full of eccentric characters about finding happiness in your own life.



**26 Aug** **Spike Lee**  
**DO THE RIGHT THING**

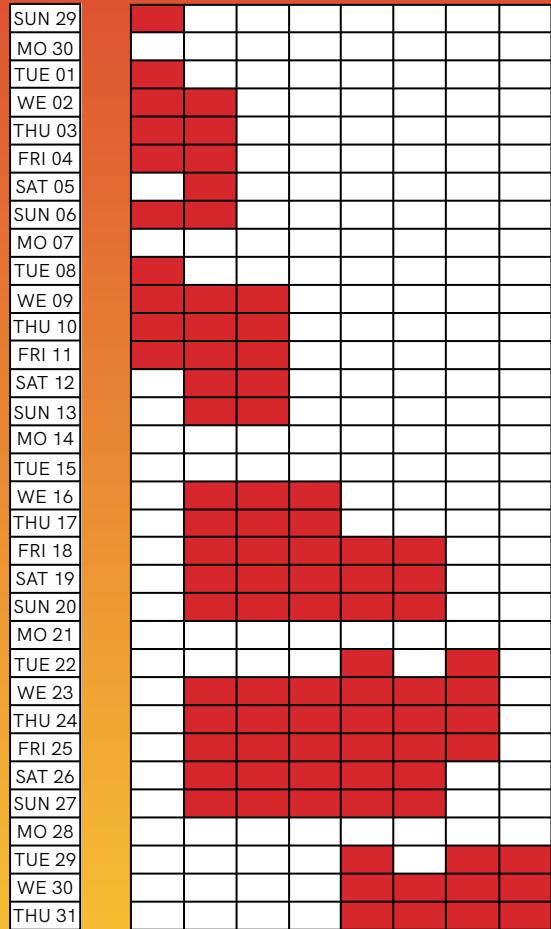
During a hot summer in New York, tensions between African Americans and Italians reach a boiling point. Spike Lee directs and stars in this classic.



**30 Aug** **Sean Baker**  
**ANORA** EARCATCH

Anora, a sex worker from Brooklyn, impulsively marries a rich Russian after a wild weekend in Vegas. His parents send gangsters after them. Oscar winner!

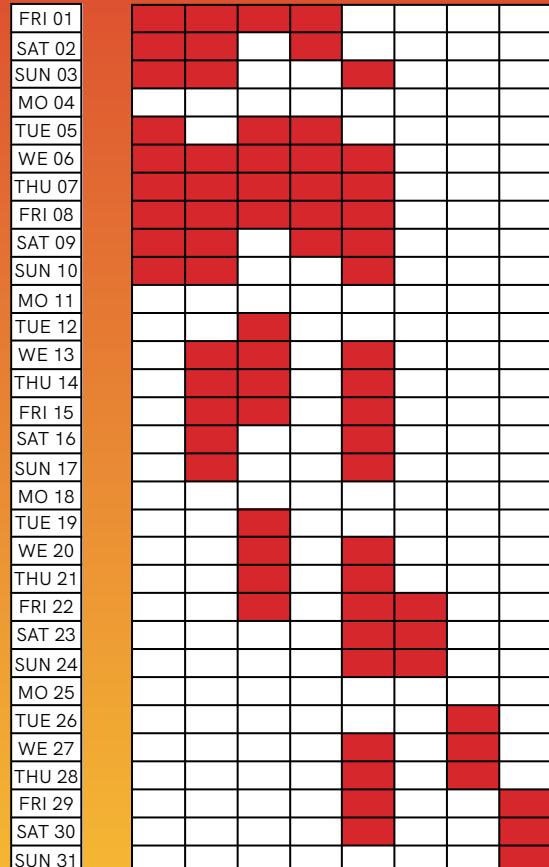
## CALENDAR JUNE & JULY



ZOMERFABRIEK 19 JUN → 31 AUG  
STREET ART MUSEUM ALL YEAR ROUND

RED = PLAYING DAYS

## CALENDAR AUGUST



SUNSET 19 JUN → 31 AUG  
ZOMERBAR 28 JUN → 31 AUG  
MUZIEK IN DE WIJK 02 JUL → 31 AUG  
CINEMA URBANA 05 AUG → 30 AUG

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# SUMMER FOR ALL

Zomer van Antwerpen aims to be an **open festival**, welcoming all ages, cultures, religious beliefs, gender identities, and sexual orientations. We strive to maintain a pleasant, vibrant and above all safe atmosphere. We **cannot do this alone**. We ask our employees, volunteers, artists, partners and our audience to treat each other with **respect**.

All our workplaces, performances, and events have a **zero-tolerance** policy for all forms of inappropriate behavior and discrimination. Every report of non-compliance with these values and standards is taken seriously. Naturally, we treat every report and/or complaint confidentially. Would you like to report something? Do you have any questions or suggestions? Talk to a member of staff during the festival or send an email to **[meldpunt@zva.be](mailto:meldpunt@zva.be)**

For years now, we've been committed to creating a **barrier-free summer** so that everyone can enjoy our festival to the fullest. This year, we've invested in additional equipment to make ZVA even more **accessible**, in collaboration with the District of Antwerp's participatory budget. Examples include plastic ramps for wheelchair users and vibrating vests, so that deaf and hard-of-hearing people can also enjoy a full experience.

Those who are able to do so, can donate an amount when purchasing tickets. You can also **donate an extra euro** when ordering a drink at our bars. This money will be used to give other visitors who are financially vulnerable a discount.

To achieve this, we work together with A-Kaart by the City of Antwerp, **VRIJUIT** and numerous other organizations. Zomer van Antwerpen also welcomes **donations**, so that we can launch even more initiatives to give everyone an unforgettable summer. Donations can be made to account number BE68 7350 2457 4734.