

Outhere Music acquires HatHut Records

Outhere Music is proud to announce the acquisition of the catalogue of the legendary Swiss jazz and contemporary music label HatHut Records. HatHut Records boasts an impressive number of more than 500 CD's and LP's, produced by its visionary founder, Werner X. Uehlinger over 40 years. Major composers such as John Cage, Morton Feldman, Giacinto Scelsi, Galina Ustvolskaya and interpreters like Paul Bley, Anthony Braxton, Ellery Eskelin, Steve Lacy, Joe McPhee, Cecil Taylor or the Sun Ra Arkestra have put their faith in the label.

The integration into the Outhere Music group will enable HatHut Records to perpetuate its pioneering role while strengthening Outhere's position in the fields of jazz and of contemporary music. Werner X. Uehlinger of Hat Hut Records will collaborate closely with the Outhere team to keep the label's spirit. Around 12 to 16 new CD releases will be produced each year.

Charles Adriaenssen, founder and president of Outhere Music says: *"HatHut Records is a mythical label and its founder Werner an incredibly progressive idealist. His productions are as fresh and stimulating today as they were 40 years ago. I'm proud and happy to work with him to perpetuate and develop his creation."*

Werner X. Uehlinger, founder of HatHut Records said: *"With offices in Brussels, Paris, Cologne, Milan and recently in London, Outhere Music will provide a wider reach for HatHut Records albums and artists and will integrate the label into its worldwide digital and physical distribution network from early 2017. By this acquisition, Outhere confirms its policy of supporting creative labels and achieves an interesting diversification."*

About HatHut Records

Originally a label for Jazz and Improvised Music it extended its interest in the 80's to New Music/Contemporary Music. Many First recordings of works by John Cage and Morton Feldman have been the result of this step forward. With an ear into the future the past has not been neglected. The spirit of the label intends to live the "Avantgarde" and pioneering role for this kind of music.

About Outhere Music

An independent musical production and recording group, Outhere Music distributes its recordings all over the world, ranging from early to contemporary music, by way of jazz and world music.

Outhere Music emphasises production quality, strong ties with the artists, scrupulous attention to the realisation of every project and a keen interest in the new forms of distribution and relations with audiences. The Outhere Music group was founded in 2005 by Charles Adriaenssen and is established in Brussels, Paris, Milan, Cologne and London.

While the group's best known label **Alpha Classics** opens its catalogue to repertoires and artists of international stature, the other labels of the group: **Ricercar**, **Phi**, **Arcana**, **Aeon**, **Ramée**, **Outnote Records** and **Fuga Libera**, have very strong identities and offer outstanding, though more specific musical experience. Outhere Music aims to fulfil its role as a major independent international production company, with a clear focus on high quality cultural products.

As of January 1st, 2017, the outstanding Scottish label **Linn Records** will also be integrated into Outhere Music.

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