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## Rewire 2017 music programme complete

*Slowdive, Blanck Mass, Jace Clayton's Julius Eastman tribute, AGF & Kubra Khademi and more confirmed for Rewire 2017*

Taking place in The Hague from 31 March to 2 April, the festival for adventurous music has announced the final musical acts for the seventh edition of Rewire. Having previously confirmed performances by Jeff Mills & Tony Allen, Arca & Jesse Kanda, Swans and Helena Hauff, among others, Rewire now confirms the addition of Slowdive, Blanck Mass, Jace Clayton presents Julius Eastman Memorial Dinner, AGF & Kubra Khademi and more. Festival passes and day tickets can be purchased through [rewirefestival.nl/tickets](http://rewirefestival.nl/tickets).

Rewire has also confirmed performances by the following artists for its 2017 festival: **SØS** Gunver Ryberg, Oliver Coates, Kassel Jaeger, Greg Fox, Kobe van Cauwenberghe, HOEK & Dieter Vandoren, DSR Lines, Igor C Silva, Torus & Nikki Hock and S.T. Cordell. More local artists and the full discourse programme including talks, workshops, screenings will be added over the coming weeks.

Prepping the release of their first album in over 20 years, British shoegaze legends **Slowdive** head to Rewire 2017 for an exclusive Dutch performance. Originally formed in the late 80s, Slowdive was heralded as the creator of a wondrous new music that blended the atmospheric of Brian Eno with the noise of The Jesus and Mary Chain. Reuniting in their original constellation, Slowdive treat Rewire 2017 to the celestial sounds of their iconic albums, *Souvlaki* and *Pygmalion*, as well as recently released newcomer *Star Roving* and more new material.

**Blanck Mass** is the solo project of British electronic musician and Fuck Buttons co-founder Benjamin Jonathan Powers. Releasing his self-titled debut on Mogwai's Rock Action label in 2011, Blanck Mass sees Powers extend the sweeping emotional and physical power of Fuck Buttons' sound into hypnotic, electronic realms. On his third album *World Eater*, to be released on 3 March, Blanck Mass turns in his first protest music; a thorough rejection of the hate in the world right now that sheds new light on the importance of love.

New York-based artist and writer **Jace Clayton** presents the European premiere of the **Julius Eastman Memorial Dinner**. Conceived for twin pianos, live electronics, and voice, this exhilarating sonic exploration brings fresh insight to the artistic legacy of **Julius Eastman** – the mercurial gay African American composer who mixed canny minimalist innovation with head-on political provocation. The Julius Eastman Memorial Dinner is built around new arrangements of *Evil Nigger* (1979) and *Gay Guerrilla* (1980), two of Julius Eastman's most important piano compositions.

German poet, vocalist and new media artist **AGF** (Antye Greie) and Afghan performance artist and activist **Kubra Khademi** present the world premiere of their new collaborative performance. As AGF Greie examines speech and spoken word in the context of the darker corners of electronic music, while Kubra Khademi explores her life as a refugee and a woman by creating public performances that respond to male-dominated societies and

extreme patriarchal politics. Their Rewire 2017 premiere fuses Khademi's politically-charged performance art with AGF's distinctive sound art to produce a truly subconscious work that deals with womenhood, white supremacy and intersectional feminism.

**Rewire 2017 music programme:****FRIDAY 31 MARCH**

Slowdive

Arca &amp; Jesse Kanda

Daniel Wohl + Slagwerk Den Haag + Matangi Quartet present Holographic

Forest Swords

Jessy Lanza

Blanck Mass

GAIKA

Lorenzo Senni

Zs

Tirzah

Horse Lords

Gábor Lázár

Pete Harden &amp; Ensemble Klang

Cloud Becomes Your Hand

NAH

Greg Fox

Torus &amp; Nikki Hock

HOEK &amp; Dieter Vandoren

S.T. Cordell

Trigger plays John Zorn's Bagatelles

**SATURDAY 1 APRIL**

Swans

Daniel Lanois 'Instrumental steel AV'

Helena Hauff

Jace Clayton presents Julius Eastman Memorial Dinner

AGF &amp; Kubra Khademi

Peter Zinovieff &amp; Lucy Railton

Wolf Eyes

Pharmakon

Croatian Amor

SHXCXCHCXSH

Moor Mother

Aurora Halal

Virginia Wing

Waclaw Zimpel

Carla dal Forno

SØS Gunver Ryberg

Kassel Jaeger

Sex Swing

Reckonwrong

Kobe van Cauwenberghe  
Igor C Silva

**SUNDAY 2 APRIL**

Jeff Mills & Tony Allen  
SUMS: Kangding Ray & Barry Burns (Mogwai)  
This Is Not This Heat  
These Hidden Hands  
Radian  
Jameszoo Quintet  
Sarathy Korwar  
Oliver Coates  
The Chi Factory  
Ryan Teague Ensemble  
DSR Lines

For tickets and information about the programme, please visit our website:  
[rewirefestival.nl](http://rewirefestival.nl)

*Rewire is an annual festival for adventurous music. The festival presents an extensive programme with a focus on contemporary electronic music, neo-classical, new jazz, experimental pop, sound art and multidisciplinary collaborations. The programme comprises special concerts, multidisciplinary performances, screenings, talks and workshops.*