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## Rewire announces first artists for 2017 festival

*Arca & Jesse Kanda, SUMS: Kangding Ray & Barry Burns (Mogwai), Forest Swords, Jessy Lanza and 12 premieres confirmed for Rewire 2017*

Returning for its seventh edition, the festival for adventurous music has just announced its first wave of artists for Rewire 2017. Taking place in The Hague from 31 March to 2 April, Rewire has confirmed exclusive performances by Arca and Jesse Kanda, Kangding Ray and Barry Burns as SUMS, and Daniel Wohl presents Holographic in collaboration with Slagwerk Den Haag and Matangi Quartet. Early Bird Passes are available until 12.00 CET on Thursday, 1 December. Regular Festival Passes will go on sale afterwards, Day Passes will be available soon. All tickets can be purchased through [www.rewirefestival.nl/tickets](http://www.rewirefestival.nl/tickets).

In addition to the aforementioned performances, Rewire has also confirmed the following artists for the 2017 edition: **Forest Swords, Jessy Lanza, Lorenzo Senni, Pharmakon, These Hidden Hands, Jameszoo Quartet, Gaika, Radian, Moor Mother, Croatian Amor, Zs, Horse Lords, Tirzah, Sarathy Korwar, The Chi Factory, Reckonwrong, Ryan Teague Ensemble, Cloud Becomes Your Hand, and Trigger**. The announcement covers the festival's first wave of artists. Up to 75 artists, as well as talks, workshops and screenings, will be added to the lineup over the coming months.

**Arca** is the alias of London-based, Venezuelan producer Alejandro Gherzi. With the release of critically acclaimed albums *Mutant* and *Xen*, and production work for Kanye West, Björk and FKA Twigs, Arca has cemented his position as one of the most important producers of his generation. Joined by longtime collaborator and visual artist **Jesse Kanda**, the duo present an exclusive performance of their new DJ + Live A/V show at Rewire 2017. Kanda has also collaborated with FKA Twigs and illustrious brands like Maison Margiela and Comme des Garçons. Arca combines his idiosyncratic dj-sets with vocals, performance and abstract visuals, which immerses into a alien, dreamlike experience.

**SUMS** is a collaborative project by French producer **Kangding Ray** and multi-instrumentalist and composer **Barry Burns**, one-fourth of Scottish post-rock legends Mogwai. Performed live with a full band, SUMS sees these two genre-leading artists play a range of electronic and amplified instruments to craft a compelling mixture that blends their combined musical legacies. The result is an warm and organic fusion of spatial electronics and stunning post-rock sounds. SUMS will release its debut album in the beginning of 2017 on Mogwai's Rock Action label.

**Daniel Wohl** is a Los Angeles-based composer and skilled sound alchemist who seamlessly fuses classical and acoustic instrumentation with electronic elements.

Hailed as one of the young artists shaping our contemporary music scene, he defines what it means to be a composer in the 21st century. Commissioned by Rewire for the 2017 festival, Wohl brings his latest album Holographic to life with the help of **Slagwerk Den Haag**, the **Matangi Quartet** and visual artist **Daniel Schwarz**. The result is an immersive multimedia experience where classical and electronic music and video projections interact to devastating effect.

**Rewire 2017 Programme so far:**

Arca & Jesse Kanda (DJ + Live A/V) - *Dutch Premiere*

SUMS: Kangding Ray & Barry Burns (Mogwai) - *Dutch premiere*

Daniel Wohl + Slagwerk Den Haag + Matangi Quartet present Holographic *Dutch premiere*

Forest Swords

Jessy Lanza

Lorenzo Senni

Pharmakon

These Hidden Hands - *Dutch premiere*

Jameszoo Quartet

Gaika

Radian present On Dark Silent Off - *Dutch premiere*

Moor Mother

Croatian Amor presents Love Means Taking Action Live A/V - *Dutch premiere*

Zs

Horse Lords

Tirzah

Sarathy Korwar - *Dutch premiere*

The Chi Factory - *Dutch premiere*

Reckonwrong live - *World premiere*

Ryan Teague Ensemble - *Dutch première*

Cloud Becomes Your Hand - *Dutch première*

Trigger plays John Zorn's Bagatelles - *Dutch première*

+ 75 artists to be confirmed over the next months

For tickets and information about the programme, please visit our website:

[www.rewirefestival.nl](http://www.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.*

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