

FREE MUSIC FOR KIDS

"Free music for kids" aims to bring music to unusual places such as playgrounds. 4 improvising musicians will arrive playing on a cargo bike to join together in a free improvisation concert that will actively involve the participants. We want to bring improvisation and performers where children and families spend time playing. Making music together can be a very fun and educational game. Musicians will arrive with suitcases full of musical instruments, which they will leave for participants to use gradually, creating different soundscapes and multiple interactions. The musicians at the same time will play as a duo trio or quartet creating instantly composed soundscapes in interaction with the participants. Music is a language accessible to all, children, parents and all people present will be able to interact with the musicians in creating music. There will be no stage, the musicians will move around the playground interacting with people softly, intriguing and inviting those present to listen, interact and create sound. To allow more children and families the opportunity to experiment, create relationships and enjoy musical interaction, the musicians will spend an hour in the playground alternating different sounds and suggestions. Games will be proposed that link sounds to movements and encourage the use of the voice and rhythmic development. Everything will be proposed through musical language and using sound as a communicative vehicle. A double interaction will be created in the mutual inspiration that will take place between artists and people present, a building together shared between human beings. We believe it is important to repeat the event several times in the city to analyze its effect and social potential of free improvisation, of a spontaneous approach to music for a psychophysical well-being of the person and society. Following this summer edition in playgrounds, we are interested in bringing the project to libraries and cultural spaces in the winter months. Making music together, in a spontaneous and free way may become a pedagogical journey of growth for children, families and individuals. We believe in the importance that contemporary and improvised music can have within society. We want to create a moment of musical spontaneity that can involve everyone and make people with different backgrounds interact. A moment of union between art and society. All events will be audio and video documented for the development of the research path.

WHERE AND WHEN?

We plan to implement the Free Music for Kids project in four playgrounds in the city of Copenhagen. Four different neighborhoods-Vesterbro, Nørrebro, østerbro and Amager-will be involved during August and September. The playgrounds involved will be Mimersparken playground - Enghave Legepladsen - Tower playground - Lergravsparken playground. Dates and organizational details will be worked out in cooperation with Playground employees.

WHO ARE WE?

We are an informal group of improviser and educators from the Rhythmic Conservatory of Copenhagen interested in developing approaches of teaching music. To bring music to children and people by creating an interaction and offering them the opportunity to do it together. We believe in the power of free improvisation like social endeavor and developing musical identity in people. We are musicians with different skills coming from different countries. We believe that this diversity can enrich our project during the creative and the implementation process giving a multiculturalism point of view.

