

German city Monheim/Rhine will host international music festival

Mayor Daniel Zimmermann and managing Artistic Director Reiner Michalke have signed the contract for the Triennale.

Monheim/Rhine. At its meeting on 10 October 2018, the City Council of Monheim/Rhine unanimously decided in favor of hosting the 'Monheim Triennale'. The contract between Reiner Michalke as future managing Artistic Director and mayor Daniel Zimmermann as chairman of the supervisory board of the Monheimer Kulturwerke GmbH has been signed at the town hall.

It was preceded by one year of planning with subsequent consultations among the responsible city council committees.

From 2023 onwards, the 'Monheim Triennale' will be held at a three-year interval at the 'Kulturraffinerie K714', an industrial monument located directly along the river Rhine which is currently being converted into a venue for events. However, in 2020 there will be a first, smaller edition of this new festival at various other locations.

The aim of the 'Monheim Triennale' is to present both current improvised and composed as well as popular music eye-to-eye in a joint festival context. It is intended as an international showcase of modern artistry in the field of contemporary music, a Documenta for music as it were.

"It's a great privilege and a wonderful opportunity to live up to such a challenge. At the same time, a festival of this kind also marks the beginning of a new era for the way contemporary music is being presented. I hope to come as close as possible to our ambitious goals", comments Artistic Director Reiner Michalke, who was Artistic Director at Moers Festival from 2006 to 2016 and is

the current Programme Director at Cologne's Stadtgarten.

Mayor Daniel Zimmermann: "We regard the Monheim Triennale as a great opportunity for our city. A festival of this kind will not just help the city of Monheim/Rhine to achieve international acclaim. We also foresee contact possibilities between performing festival artists with Monheim's children and youth which thereby further promotes cultural education".

Further information: www.monheim-triennale.de



Daniel Zimmermann, mayor Monheim am Rhein and Reiner Michalke, Artistic Director of Monheim Triennale.