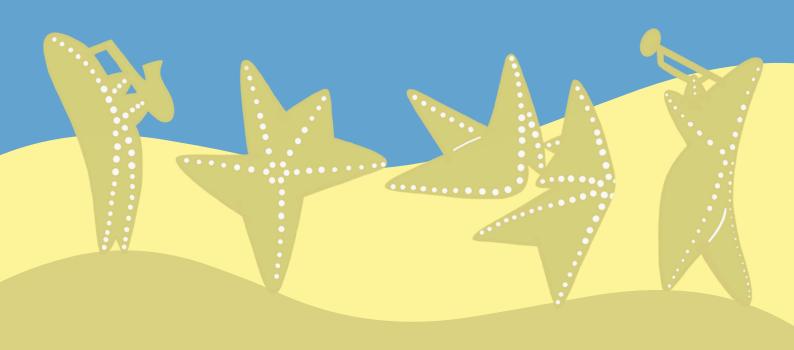
# The Mess Around

by



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FESTIVAL BOOKLET

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## Welcome to The Mess Around!

In this booklet, you will find all the information you need during the festival. For any updates, make sure to follow <a href=@hofstad hop on Instagram and/or our Facebook event page.</a>

#### **General information**

- You can get your wristband at the registration desks on Friday and Saturday evening, and Saturday morning.
  - Your wristband is just for you, so please keep it on and don't share it with others.
- Please join the lessons in the track you signed up for, so everyone can have the best festival experience.
- Registration for the Theme class and Musicality class will happen on the day they take place. First come, first serve!
- Please get familiar with our care team and code of conduct shown in the following pages.
- Our venues are:
  - De Prael for Friday and Sunday parties
  - September for Friday Blues afterparty
  - Zilt events (at the Pier) for the Saturday party
  - Revamb for all workshops
- Joining for Sunday dinner? Register <u>here</u> before September 18th
- This festival would not have been possible without the generous "Geld voor je Kunst" subsidy from Cultuurschakel



## **Care Team**

If you experience any issue or concern you want to address, please come and find a member of our care team. This might include unsafe experiences on or off the dance floor, or situations in which you or others have been made to feel uncomfortable. Your concerns will be taken seriously and treated confidentially. If necessary or desired, our care team member will discuss possible courses of action with you. Contact any organiser if you need help in locating them, they will wear yellow buttons to indicate they are part of the team.



### **Code of Conduct**

### Safe Space

Hofstad Hop is dedicated to providing a safe space for everyone, no matter their gender, race, nationality, age, ability, sexual orientation, physical appearance, religion or any other personal characteristic.

### Code of conduct

- All attendees and staff are subject to our code of conduct.
- We have a zero tolerance policy on harassment be it racist, sexist, homophobic or transphobic abuse, unwanted sexual attention or sexual assault.
- Drug use or being under the influence of drugs is prohibited at our venues.
- If the code of conduct is breached we reserve the right to remove the participant from current and future events.

### Asking someone to dance

- We encourage anyone to ask anyone to dance. Anyone can respond with 'no, thank you.' An explanation is never required.
- We believe that dance roles are unrelated to gender. Don't assume that someone dances a certain role just based on appearances.
- To have clear communication when asking someone to dance, it's good to state your preferred role or ask. For example: "Hi, would you like to dance the next song? Would you prefer to lead or follow?"

### **Code of Conduct**

#### **Floorcraft**

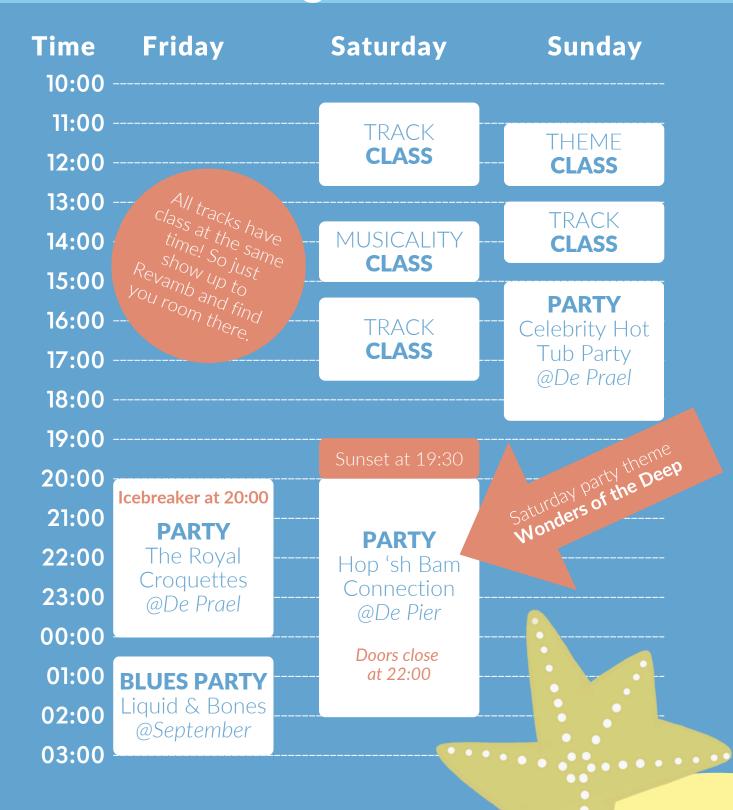
While dancing you invite people into your personal space and enter other people's personal space. While there is always some risk associated with any physical activity, we are committed to preventing injuries before they happen. Unsafe dancing is any movement that puts anyone at an increased risk of physical injury.

- Social dances are not the time or place for aerials. Please save these for competitions or jam circles with the consent of your partner.
- Be aware of the space around you and account for this in the moves you do. If you should bump into anyone, check-in with them and offer an apology.

### Be considerate of others

- Good hygiene can make dancing more comfortable for everyone, so bring a change of clothes, deodorant & mints if you need them.
- Our classes and social dances are not the place for unsolicited feedback. This is reserved for teachers or when your partner explicitly asks for it.

## **Programme**



## Live Music and Theme Classes

On top of your regular classes, we have arranged some amazing elective classes! On Saturday one set of classes will be together with musicians playing live music. On Sunday you can decide which teachers you like best and get an extra class with them.

They have already been cooking up some crazy ideas that they want to share, but we will reveal the subjects on the day itself. At the beginning of the day we will have registration forms so that we know how many people can fit in each group. An incentive to come on time, maybe ;) ?

## Theme party

Be prepared for Saturday's party themed "Wonders of the Deep" inspired by the enchanting world beneath the waves. Get ready to immerse yourself in an underwater adventure filled with mysterious marine creatures and the enchanting allure of the ocean floor. Some ideas to help you dress? Flowy fabrics, sandy shells and shimmer can be a good start! Accessories can take your look to the next level - think pearl necklaces, corals clips and fishy jewelry. Nonetheless, if you don't feel like 'diving in' that's

okay. Dress so that you feel like a fish in the water!

## **Teachers**



Ailsa



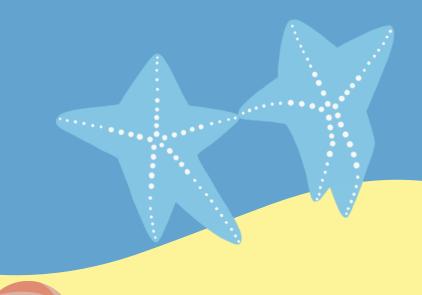
Nathan & Anaïs

Léna & Thomas

## MC



Erik



## Bands



**The Royal Croquettes** 



The Hop 'sh Bam Connection



Liquid & Bones



**Celebrity Hot Tub Party** 

## DJs



DJ Nitz



DJ Wout



DJ Tobi



DJ Aster





# **Getting around**

To help you get around, we created a <u>Google Maps link</u> with all locations. Looking for a specific address? Check them out below!

### Classes

RevamB
Daendelsstraat 57
2595 XT Den Haag

### Firday after-party

Café September Grote Markt 26 2511 BG Den Haag



De Prael (Fri & Sun) Esperantoplein 20 2518 LE Den Haag Zilt events (Pier, Sat) Strandweg 150-154 2586 JW Den Haag

The best way to navigate around town is by bicycle or public transportation. It's easy to get a bike at the station (if you have a Dutch OV-chip card) or a <a href="Donkey bike">Donkey bike</a>.



## Food tips

### **During class (Location: RevamB)**

During the workshops on Saturday and Sunday you can find supermarkets and restaurants to enjoy lunch nearby the venue. But heads up, **Sunday break is short (30 min)** since the party kicks off early. Therefore, we suggest **packing your own bites for that day**. Some options to consider:

- Visit a supermarket (Spar City Monarch, Albert Heijn (To Go))
- Visit Lunchroom Engelhard, Home Food&Drinks or Mingle Mush



### **Parties**

During the parties at the Prael (Friday and Sunday) you will be able to buy snacks. And on Saturday at the Pier the community will provide something to keep your groove going all night long.

### **Sunday Dinner**

Both Friday and Sunday we'll dance in Brewery the Prael. Beside lovely beers, they also cook great food! On Sunday you can stay around for dinner, after 18:30.

Planning to join? Please let us know via this form before Wednesday 18th if you are sure you'll stay around. This way the kitchen can prepare enough for everyone, without wasting food afterwards.

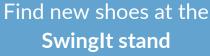
## Messing around

We wouldn't be the Mess Around without Messing Around! That's why we arranged various things to spice up the weekend, send you on a quest and connect!



Steal someone at the Stealing corner

> Learn about Jazz Roots at the Library





Participate and win Swingo



Write in the Guest Book

**GUEST** 

BOOK

Hunt for more "Easter Eggs" Find 5 stars and get a prize

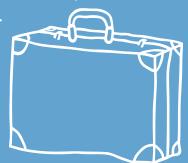




### **Practical notes**

### **Packing list**

- Saturday theme outfit (Wonders of the Deep)
- Swimsuit (Saturday party will be next to the beach!)
- Your phone for pictures at the selfie-corner
- Sufficient clothes for dancing
- Shoes that allow you to dance all night!



### **Contact info**

Please contact us if you have any further questions! During the festival you can recognize us from our blue buttons, and beforehand you can reach us at:



festival@hofstadhop.com





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