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Rats On Rafts / De Kift New album: Self-Titled Released October 14th LP/CD/DL

"The best act I've ever seen at a festival" **Paul Thomson**, **Franz Ferdinand**



Rats On Rafts have joined forces with legendary underground Dutch punk band De Kift - Zaandam punk vs Rotterdam punk! Their self-titled collaborative album is set for release in October and coincides with a Netherlands tour.

A playful revisioning of each other's music which began at Metropolis Festival in 2013. The record brings together songs from Rats On Rafts critically acclaimed second album 'Tape Hiss' and De Kift's huge catalogue. The two bands locked themselves up for a month to record a completely analogue album. Together they will play this material live on tour.

Instantly recognisable as Rats 'Last Day On De Zon' is shot through with brass - enter De Kift. Dark, dub infused 'Meggy' sees Rats bringing their explosive and unrelenting rolling crescendos into the fold. 'Sleep Little Links 2 3 4' is uplifting with the addition of brass whilst folk tinged 'Dit Schip' sees them bring further depth to the collaboration. Energetic and raw, the spirit of their festival performances prevails throughout.

De Kift have released music for three decades with father Heijne only retiring in 2013, brothers Marco & Ferry Heijne and cousin Pim remain alongside co-founder and drummer Wim. The nine piece brass ensemble have released eleven albums, collaborated in theatre, film and various media projects which has seen them win a number of Dutch awards across film and music.

Line up: David Fagan (vocals, guitar), Bram Nigten (drums), Ferry Heijne (vocals, trumpet), Pim Heijne (guitar), Marco Heijne (steeldrum), Mathijs Houwink (bass guitar), Han Hulscher (trumpet), Arnoud Verheul (guitar), Patrick Votrian (trombone), Natacha van Waardenburg (bass guitar), Wim ter Weele (vocals,

Track list

- 1. Last Day On De Zon
- 2. Voorbiji
- 3. Brass Poison Face
- 4. Dit Schip

- 5. Melk En Benzine
- 6. Moonlight Flit
- 7. Meggy
- 8. Swan Song
- 9. Sleep Little Links 234