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Waves Vienna: Austria's Showcasefestival with 100 upcoming bands, 14.000 visitors and 900 delegates

Last weekend Waves Vienna Music Festival & Conference invited music lovers to discover 100 new acts and to take part in workshops, speed listenings and lectures. 14.000 people, among them 900 representatives of the international music industry, responded the call and enjoyed the eights edition of Vienna's Showcase Festival.



Besides newcomer acts from various genres already established acts like UK indie rock band The Go! Team or Swedish artist Neneh Cherry were part of Waves' line up. Neneh Cherry presented her new album that is going to be released in autumn and is produced by Massive Attack's Four Tet and 3D. The Portuguese composer Rodrigo Leao impressed the audience not only with his distinguished band but also with a new stage show. WWWater from Belgium with Soulwax Drummer Steve Slingeneyer made the crowd dance in a fashion school.

Festival director Thomas Heher: „We feel that we have a strong and significant standing in the Austrian and international festival landscape.“ Numerous festival visitors came from abroad - from this year's focus countries Portugal and Slovakia, from the UK, from Switzerland, Ukraine or the US.

Austrian artists playing at Waves Vienna had the chance to win the music export award ‚XA‘. A jury consisting of music experts awarded the DIVES as winner. The Viennese trio will be supported by Austrian Music Export, by radio station FM4 and Waves Vienna - for instance with invitations to partner festivals - and gained a prize money of 3.500 Euro.

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About Waves Vienna

Waves Vienna is the city's first club- and showcase festival and takes place once a year at the end of September. Waves Vienna's motto is „East meets West“; numerous international alternative, electronic, rock, and club acts are performing around Vienna's 9th district. Additionally, local artists and sophisticated musicians from Eastern Europe form an essential part of the festival's programme.

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