

AUSTRIAN HEARTBEATS AT RBF 2018

DIVES

DIVES was formed in February of 2016 after Dora De Goederen, Tamara Leichtfried and Viktoria Kirner met at the Austrian Girls Rock Camp. The Viennese underground scene was immediately taken by their surf-ish sound. In spring 2017 they recorded their self-titled mini album with Austrian musician and producer Wolfgang Möstl (Mile Me Deaf, Sex Jams, Clara Luzia, Melt Downer...). This gem was released on Siluh Records in fall 2017, including six songs as fresh and confident as DIVES themselves. DIVES are contemporary and yet, there's an 80s vibe going on here, referencing artists like Altered Images but also the early Black Tambourine or La Luz.

The two-part singing of Tamara and Viktoria makes songs like "Concrete" such catchy tunes. DIVES switch instruments and re-new what is thought to be traditional surf sound. They speak their minds, they challenge their listeners. On "Tomorrow" the trio opens the floor for dancing and singing along. Their music celebrates levity, the lightheartedness of juvenileness. It's not simple, but yet very accessible and addictive. Viktoria's bass lines offer the melodies to the fast-paced life-style of young adults, supported by the impelling beats of Dora's drums, ranging from samba rhythms to minimal accentuation. All this is belted together by Tamara's up-front guitar playing, sometimes loosing itself in a loop-driven vortex of sound.

DIVES are three friends, lacking all insincerity, doing what they like best – having a good time and taking the audience along on their journey. DIVES already toured throughout Austria, Germany and the Czech Republic, played with artists such as L.A. Witch and will perform at the renowned festivals c/o Pop, Popkultur Berlin and Reeperbahn Festival in fall.

QUOTES:

In line with „*indie heroes such as the Shop Assistants or Feelies [...] with influences of bands such as La Sera or Waxahatchee*". SPEX

ALBUM:

DIVES – 12"/EP / 2017 (Siluh)

LINKS:

<https://www.facebook.com/DIVESvienna>
<https://dives-vienna.bandcamp.com/>
<http://www.siluh.com>

VIDEO:

Shrimp: <https://youtu.be/G3m61GKqwAQ>

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