



# SHAMANIC Live

## 16 – 30 Aug (on demand)

### The Pleasance Online, Edinburgh Fringe



(Part of **Made In Scotland** curated showcase)

**Spectacular, monumental collision of live music, painting and architecture in a stunning show, filmed in iconic Pleasance Courtyard**

World Premiere

**SHAMANIC provides the most vivid colours you will ever hear, and the brightest sounds you will ever see!**

A unique, dramatic, visceral collision of live music, painting and architecture, created by acclaimed Russian artist **Maria Rud** (who recently worked with SNJO on *Where Rivers Meet* in St Giles Cathedral) with punk rock legend **Fay Fife** (Rezillos) and **Martin Metcalfe** (the prowling frontman of Goodbye Mr Mackenzie/Filthy Tongues). With special guest, actor **Rula Lenska** (*Rock Follies/Coronation Street*) performing Edgar Allan Poe's *The Raven*.

The music is an original soundclash of 60s influenced garage, alternative rock and contemporary electronica, laced with a punk spirit, perfectly complementing Maria's ever-evolving imagery and perspectives. Swathes of colourful, swirling paint seemingly splash all over the buildings of the iconic Pleasance Courtyard.

Like many artists the SHAMANIC Collective found 2020 extremely frustrating, as they saw live performances, including invitations to perform at SXSW and Made in Scotland being cancelled because of the pandemic. So when the opportunity came up to be included in the 2021 Made In Scotland showcase in a digital format and they realised they could film in the historic Pleasance Courtyard, they decided to go for it. In "normal" times the courtyard would be part of the bustling heart of Edinburgh Fringe festival, and unavailable for filming (or live performance). Using 2 different locations on the building and a 5 camera shoot over 2 late, dark nights they aimed to recreate the immersive SHAMANIC experience for screen.

**SHAMANIC** is a multitalented, international art and music collective featuring acclaimed Russian artist **Maria Rud**, whose work has drawn comparisons with Marc Chagall, musicians **Fay Fife** (vocals, keys and theremin) and **Martin Metcalfe** (vocals and electric guitar), with additional soundtracking by Edinburgh legend, DJ Dolphin Boy. The rest of the band for this recording is comprised of Chris Agnew (bass) and Mike Baillie (drums).

The SHAMANIC concept is a development of artist **Maria Rud**'s previous work with The AniMotion Shows with Evelyn Glennie (which toured to USA, China and Europe)). SHAMANIC is the fruit of the creative friendship between herself and Fay Fife, taking the AniMotion Show into the realm of rock 'n' roll, in which one member of the band is a painter.

The group delivers an unforgettable live experience in which music and painting become one in a psychedelic cinematic performance. Projected live, Maria's ever-changing imagery and perspectives, fused with the music, is akin to being in a live animated film, a transformative, immersive experience which cuts to the heart of the creative process.

**ADVISORY: Watch with the volume UP, and on the biggest screen you can!**

**WEBSITE:** [www.shamaniclive.com/](http://www.shamaniclive.com/)  
**VIDEO TRAILER:** <https://youtu.be/oc0Exbzpxx0>

**"MAKING OF..." VIDEO:** <https://youtu.be/J8y0FMSFfec>  
(including interviews with the participants – 10 minutes)

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