

## raison d'être - Biography - Press-kit



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### **Biography:**

raison d'être (Sweden) formed in 1991 as a tool of expression with the goal of self-realization. Behind the project is the highly respected and multi talented sound artist Peter Andersson. For over 25 years and with a vast number of album releases, raison d'être has been creating music with overwhelming dark ambient drone industrial qualities that left marks on most listeners. In recent years Andersson works mainly with field recordings and acoustic instruments like gongs, cymbals, bells, flutes, piano, various metal plates and string instruments; record and manipulate them in digital domain to make the sounds very unique and perfected.

Experiencing raison d'être is like diving into the obscure hidden domains of ones inner self. Whether it is like a good dream or a nightmare is up to you. But this is not all. Peter Andersson host not only one but up to ten other projects representing different sides and sounds of the Andersson character. The most well known except for raison d'être are Stratvm Terror, Necrophorus, Bocksholm and Atomine Elektrine.

### **Web:**

<http://raison-detre.info>

### **Selected Album Discography:**

- Prospectus I (1993)
- Enthralled by the Wind of Loneliness (1994)
- Within the Depths of Silence and Phormations (1995)
- In Sadness, Silence and Solitude (1997)
- The Empty Hollow Unfolds (2000)
- Requiem for Abandoned Souls (2003)
- Metamorphyses (2006)
- The Stains of the Embodied Sacrifice (2009)
- Mise en Abye (2014)
- Alchymeia (2018)

### **Selected Live Concerts:**

- 1 June, 1996, at Théâtre Municipal, Nevers, France, on the "Festival Musique Ultimes" 1-2 June.
- 24 July, 1996, at Roxy, Prague, Czech Republic.
- 13 December, 1996, at M/S Stubnitz, Rostock, Germany.
- 26 July, 1997, at The Steeple, Waregem, Belgium, at the "Nights of the Abyss Festival" 25-26 July.
- 1 October, 1999, at Bug Club, Athens, Greece at the Cold Meat Industry Festival 1-2 October.
- 4 August, 2000, at Neerpelt, Belgium, at the Eurorock Festival 3-6 August.
- 21 July, 2001, in Cosenza, Italy at the Festival Invasioni.
- 1 December, 2001, at Red Club, St.Petersburg, Russia at the Heilige Feuer II Festival.
- 8 June, 2003, at Wave-Gotik-Treffen, Werk II, Leipzig, Germany.
- 6 March, 2004, at 'Nordic Audio Modern' festival, Vilnius, Lithuania.
- 15 August, 2004, at the 'Summer Darknes 04 Festival' in Utrecht, Holland.
- 21 August, 2004, at the DP Arts & Music festival, Oslo, Norway.

- 21 October, 2004, at Siberian, New York, USA.
- 24 October, 2004, at The DNA Longue, San Francisco, USA.
- 5 March, 2005, at Piwnica 21, Poznan, Poland.
- 6 January, 2006, at Werk21, Zürich, Switzerland.
- 4 February, 2006, at Corner Hotel, Melbourne, Australia.
- 15 April, 2006, at Old School, Bucarest, Romania.
- 16 April, 2006, Fans, Sofia, Bulgaria.
- 23 April, 2006, at KOKO, London, UK.
- 1 July, 2006, at Lumous Gothic Festival, Tampere, Finland.
- 11 August, 2006, at 12 Tonar, Reykjavik, Iceland.
- 27 April, 2007, Barcelona, Spain.
- 21 December, 2007, at Rauhacht Festival, The Cave Club, Salzburg, Austria
- 19 January, 2008, at Industrial#12 festival, MJC Picaud, Cannes, France
- 8 March, 2008, at Dark:Live:Fest:5, Rock Club, Praha, Czech Republic
- 17 May, 2008, at V Congresso Post Industriale festival, Siddharta, Prato, Italy.
- 18 July, 2008, at Hyperborea VII, Gyar – Music Factory, Budapest, Hungary.
- 2 October, 2010, at Bazillus Club, Zürich, Switzerland.
- 8 October, 2010, at Club Noise, St.Petersburg, Russia.
- 10 October, 2010, at DOM Club, Moscow, Russia.
- 13 November, 2010, at Phobos II dark ambient festival, at Sophienkirche, Wuppertal, Germany.
- 18 March, 2011, at Baroeg, Rotterdam, The Netherlands.
- 19 March, 2011, at JH de Klinker, Aarschot, Belgium.
- 20 March, 2011, at Werkstatt, Cologne, Germany.
- 30 April, 2011, at Club Revolver, San Dona di Piave, Italy.
- 12 June, 2011, at Schaubühne Lindenfels, Wave-Gotik-Treffen, Leipzig, Germany.
- 26 June, 2011, at Energy Open Air Festival, Cherkassy, Ukraine.
- 12 October, 2012, at DOM Club, Moscow, Russia.
- 5 July, 2013, at Hradby Samoty IV festival, Castle Veveri, Brno, Czech Republic.
- 29 March, 2014, at Wrotycz Records 10 Years Anniversary Festival, Poznan, Poland.
- 19 April, 2014, at The Valhalla Festival, Norrköping, Sweden.
- 3 August, 2014, at Schlagstrom Festival, Berlin, Germany.
- 15 October, 2014, at Casa del Popolo, Montreal, Canada.
- 18 October, 2014, at The Acheron, Brooklyn/New York NY, USA.
- 19 October, 2014, at Kung Fu Necktie, Philadelphia PA, USA.
- 25 October, 2014, at Club Rectum, Chicago IL, USA.
- 29 October, 2014, at Elysium, Austin TX, USA.
- 30 October, 2014, at Gramps, Miami FL, USA.
- 15 November, 2014, at Shokoladnaya Fabrika, Moscow, Russia.
- 17 January, 2015, at Sala BeCool, Barcelona, Spain.
- 4 April, 2015, at Chemnitzer Gewölbegängen, Chemnitz, Germany.
- 8 May, 2015, at Levontin 7, Tel Aviv, Israel.
- 9 May, 2015, at Ha-Mazkeka, Jerusalem, Israel.
- 18 July, 2015, at Castle Party, Bolkow, Poland.
- 5 September, 2015, at Nocturnal-Culture- Night-10-festival, Leipzig, Germany.
- 7 May, 2016, at Etor Dark Ambient Fest I, Death Disco, Athens, Greece.
- 4 November, 2017, at Cold Meat Industry - A 30 Years Anniversary Live, Klubben, Stockholm, Sweden.