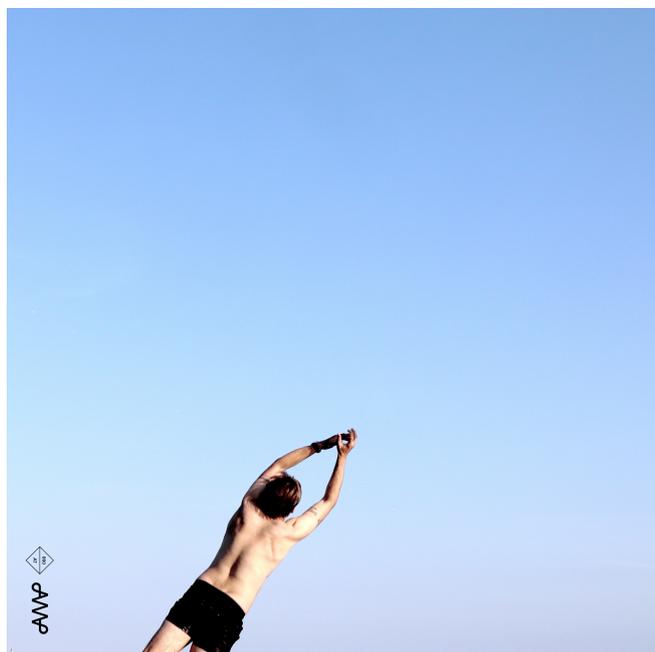


Laupsa Lokomotiv is a sextet that operates within the acoustic jazz-landscape; improvised, rhythmic, sonorous and seeking - led by Norwegian bassist Vetle Aakre Laupsa.



Vetle Aakre Laupsa - bass  
Øyvind Mathisen - trumpet  
Joscha Ernst - tenor saxophone  
Sigurd Drågen - trombone  
Kristian Enkerud Lien - electric and acoustic guitar  
Olav Abildgaard - drums

#### TRACKLIST:

1. Åpning
2. Zambesi
3. Grand Voyager
4. Plantesangen
5. Hektor
6. Bass for tog
7. Mirakel
8. Fåvnesbane
9. Lukning

"Reach" is the debut album of Laupsa Lokomotiv. An album that showcases a broad range of musicality, inspiration, compositional depth, and has the aim to find place among the best of modern, acoustic jazz from Norway. Vetle Aakre Laupsa has searched for his ideals when it comes to sound and composition, through his work as a musician and listener. This results in music with strong roots in the acoustic resonance of instruments and rooms, and conveys the urge to tell stories with strong artistic intuition.

The album title points to Laupsa's reach; as a composer, musician and human being. The music on the album was assembled during Laupsa's time as a music student in Stavanger and collects inspiration from a wide spectrum of references; Fela Kutj, Arvo Pärt, Zanussi 5, Brian Blade and the Fellowship band, Eyolf Dahle's Wolf Valley, Charles Mingus and Hanna Paulsberg Concept among others. "Reach" is a compilation of gems from Laupsa's time on earth, which have been dug up with a strong focus on his musical identity and taste. From memories, feelings, pictures and ideas these gems have come into the light.

"Reach" was recorded and mixed by Dag Erik Johansen at Athletic Sound in Halden and Mastered by Frode Berg at Your Sound Mastering in Oslo.