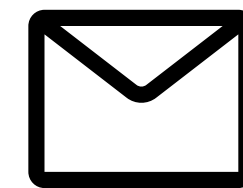
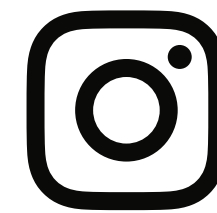




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# ADRIÁN MONCADA 6TET

“Adrián Moncada Sextet” is an Amsterdam based group lead by Spanish pianist and composer Adrián Moncada along with five other individual and forward thinking musicians from the Amsterdam scene. Using architecture as a source of inspiration, Moncada invites the listeners into his musical mind with the aspiration to excite their imagination, showing them sonic spaces with a wide spectrum of characters.



**"Impressive in its depth and breath, "Inhabitable Imagination" showcases Moncada's brilliance as a composer, band leader and performer. This recording is a poignant start to what promises to be a unique and brilliant career."**  
**- All About Jazz \*\*\*\***

The group features a repertoire of original songs influenced by contemporary jazz, combining the rhythm, improvisation, and intention of the jazz tradition with the eclecticism of the cultural melting pot of Amsterdam. At times highly structured and composed, other times freely improvised and loose, showing that they are not afraid of being vulnerable in front of an audience while they maintain their artistic narrative.

The band released their debut album "Inhabitable Imagination" in March of 2021 and played in the finals of the Dutch Jazz Competition 2020. In June 2021 they did a week long residency at the Comedy Café Amsterdam.

This international group was founded in 2018 together with Nick Thessalonikefs (Greece) on drums, Pedro Ivo Ferreira (Brazil) on bass, Alistair Payne (Scotland) on trumpet, Federico Calcagno (Italy) on bass clarinet, José Soares (Portugal) on alto saxophone, and Adrián Moncada (Spain) on piano and compositions.

"I like to see the music I composed for this 6tet as liquid architecture" Moncada says. "An inhabitable platform for the expression of imagination through organized sound."



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# The Music

"Inhabitable Imagination" Album:

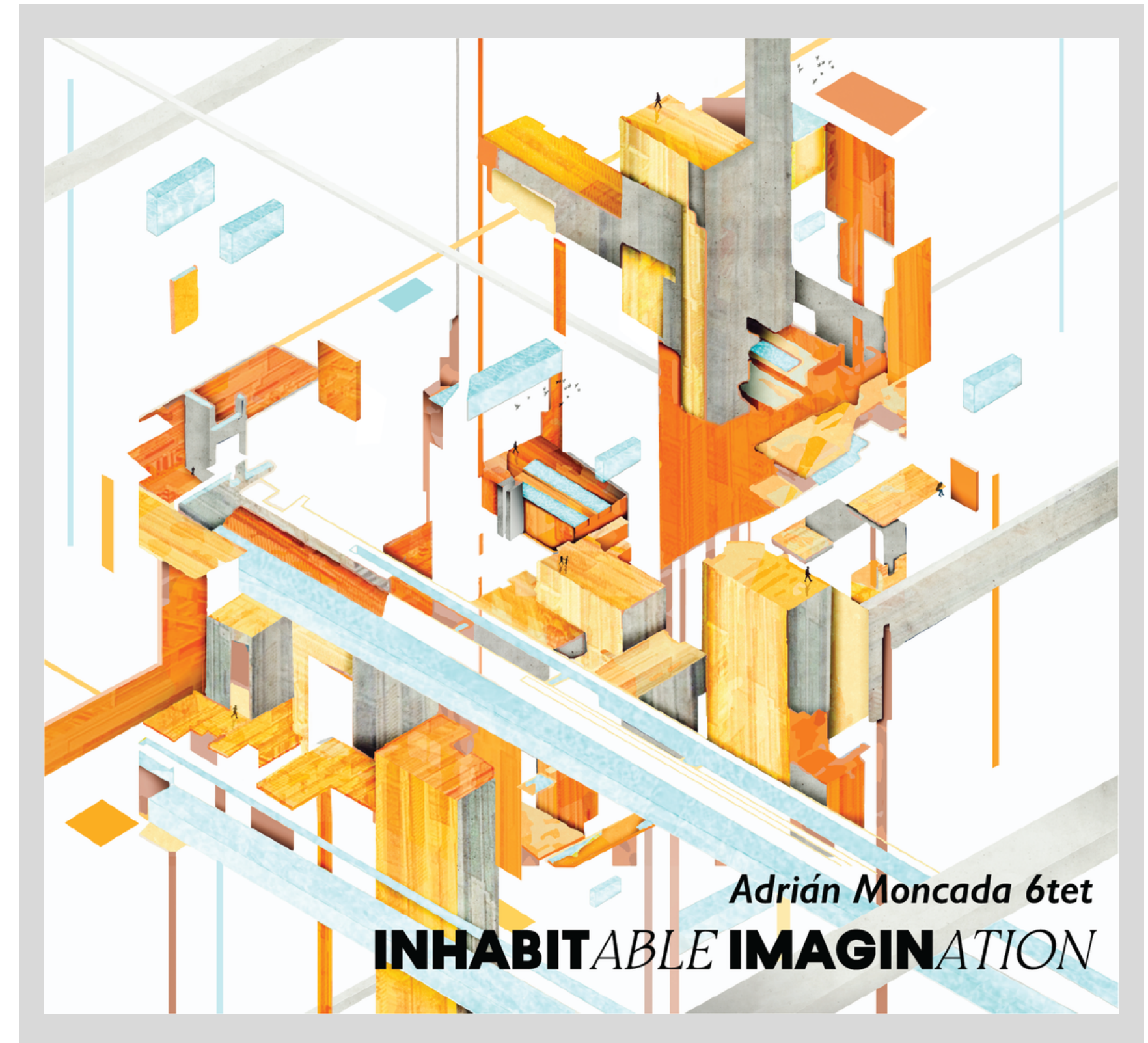
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The Bearable Heaviness of Being (LIVE @ Splendor)

<https://youtu.be/DBli7oLmx-s>

Live at Dutch Jazz Competition 2020:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lOd-B2-uUws>



"Moncada's competent work is not just about structure and form but also interconnected ideas  
built with tension and release" - Jazz Trail \*\*\*\*

# Adrián Moncada BIO

-Pianist, composer and improviser



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Adrián Moncada is an Amsterdam based pianist and composer originally from Madrid, Spain. He started his studies in the Netherlands in 2014, and graduated Cum Laude from the jazz performance program at CvA in 2020. During his time in NL he received lessons and masterclasses from musicians like Brad Mehldau, Gerald Clayton, Harmen Fraanje, Rob van Bavel, Karel Boehlee and Franz von Chossy.

He has participated in various prestigious competitions such as: Keep an Eye Competition, Dutch Jazz Competition, and Leiden Jazz Award; and played in some of the most important venues in Europe: Bimhuis (Amsterdam), Lantarenvenster (Rotterdam), North Sea jazz (Rotterdam), Hot club Portugal (Portugal) and Jamboree Jazz (Spain).

His main projects are: Adrián Moncada 6tet, with which he has released his debut album in March 2021, and Adrián Moncada + Strings.

In addition to his own projects, he is a sought after piano player as a sideman in some of the upcoming young bands in the Netherlands, such as: Liquid Identities, Noneto Desconcertante, Garden Crack, Alba Careta Group, Marta Arpini Forest Light, James McClure Quartet, Irene Sorozábal K U R K U M A and Stab Freeze Collective.

More information about these bands and their recordings in:

<https://www.adrian-moncada.com>