

“To Believe In The Good”

INTERVIEW Dust of Soul are Saskia Stäuble and Michael Odermatt

On Friday, May 9th at 7:30 P. M. “Dust of Soul” will enchant their audience in the Villa Villette in Cham. We spoke with the two musicians about their fate and how they found together.

By Sonja Breitler

Saskia Stäuble (SS) and Michael Odermatt (MO), you’re a singer Dusty and pianist MiKey from Dust of Soul and not only a musical dream team. But the way you found each other was stony and difficult. Especially for you, Saskia Stäuble. Would you like to tell our readers what fate you met with not even 30 years?

SS: Before my 30th birthday, I suffered a stroke with paralysis, without beforehand signs of it. I was shocked and realized at once that this was a wake up call of my life. Then my big dream is to be a singer and to touch people in their hearts. But I was too afraid of doing this.

How has this event changed your life today?

SS: To this day I am grateful for my fate, because I remember every day my vision and mind to fight for my dream: to encourage people as a singer to believe in themselves and never give up, no matter how dark everything looks. Three weeks after the incident I noted the saying: “Rather I live brave, than I die full of fear”.

When you came back again to Switzerland after a trip to New York, you met for the first time your present pianist Michael Odermatt. How do you, Michael Odermatt, still remember the first meeting?

MO: It was the first moment I saw her and knew that now everything is different. Immediately I decided to travel back to New York with her, even before I heard her first self-composed melody. I felt a deep connection. Life has asked me through Saskia if I'm ready for the adventure of my life. And I accepted the challenge without hesitation.

Today we know of Soul Dust not only in Switzerland but also in New York and Tunisia. How did your career go in music?

MO (laughs): Different as planned, even better than we could ever imagine. To create our own style and stay with it, proved to be one of the biggest tests. The fact that we now on our own giving concerts around the world, without being bound to a management, and thus be free to decide where and how we make music, we owe to our will and courage. But behind all this great history are very many individual personalities who believe in us. Without them, much would not have been possible. At this point we would like to thank all these people again.

About what are your own compositions and how would you describe your music style?

MO: Our audience partially describes our music as a new style: as music from the heart with a message for the soul with “goose bumps guarantee”. Dusty remembers with her distinctive soulful voice to musical combines with my soulful piano playing.

Among other things stands on your homepage www.dustofsoul.com that you want to return something to the world with your music and original compositions. What is it exactly?

SS: Our philosophy ‘It's about respect, passion and love’ is reflected in our songs. It means, if we respect ourselves, we can also respect another, then we can live our passion and inspire and so find true love in our hearts and pass them to our audience at this moment.

On May 9, at 7:30 P. M. you will sing and play in the Vilette in Cham. Who do you lay your concert to his heart?

SS: The concert is for us a wonderful way to say thank you and with our audience to celebrate spring in a stylish and touching atmosphere. We look forward to each and every guest.