

*Johannes Lauer* was born in Tübingen, Germany, in 1982. He grew up in Florence and Ravensburg and studied at the University of the Arts, Berlin, and with Nils Wogram and Dieter Ammann at the Lucerne School of Music. There he graduated 2006 in Jazz-Performance and Jazz-Composition, both "with distinction". Lauer was a member of the National Youth Jazz Orchestra of Germany and performed with own ensembles and as sideman on countless stages from Mochenwangen to Sibiria, South Korea and Peru. His collaborations include renowned artists such as Tyshawn Sorey, Peter Evans, Chris Speed, Henning Sieverts, Drew Gress, Michael Wollny, Steffen Schorn, Marc Ducret, Christoph Schlingensiefel and the Big Bands of NDR and WDR. He won several prizes including the internationally reputed "Frank-Rosolino-Award" for jazz-trombone. After living in New York on a scholarship from the German Academic Exchange Service in 2006/07, where he had concerts a.o. at Carnegie Hall and The Stone, he spent five months touring West-Africa with a Malian band in 2008.

Currently he's living in Berlin, mainly focussing on his micro-tonal and microrhythmical band "MORF" and his big band "Lauer Large", whose first CD "Konstanz Suite" received international attention.

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