# Pantribe Summercamp and Festival '24 Participant briefing

First of all, a warm thank you for joining us for the Pantribe Summercamp and festival. Here is some information and some housekeeping rules for you to enjoy the best possible way..

# **The Spirit**

Pantribe is fully organized by volunteers as well as all the staff for the catering, the room staff, and greenkeepers.. are volunteers from Koningsteen from all over the world. So please respect their work and the beautiful location. It's a zero-waste event, so please don't leave any trash, and if you're a smoker, bring a little container for the stubs.

Last years we found the site almost as clean as we got it.. Let's do that again!

# **How to get there**

The location "Koningsteen" is situated about a 15 min drive from the train station of Mechelen.

KONINGSTEEN VZW, OXDONKSTRAAT 168, 1880 KAPELLE-OP-DEN-BOS

By plane: **From Brussels Airport,** take the train at level -1 to Mechelen (Direction Antwerp / Amsterdam - 1 stop)

IMPORTANT: DO NOT BOOK YOUR FLIGHT TO BRUSSELS SOUTH (CRL) is very far from the venue - Make sure you fly to Brussels Airport

By train: you go to Mechelen Train station from there you can take:

#### **Shuttle Service**

From Mechelen station, we have a **taxi shuttle service** available to the venue, for 20 EUR each way. You can book a timeslot by sending a request by Whatsapp to +32 489 98 86 77 - Dani Taxi - Make sure you make a reservation at least the day before so he can plan the schedule. - It's a minimal so if you align timings with other participants it's easier.

You will find Dani Taxi at the Kiss and Ride, Level -1 in between tracks 11 and 12. It has a Pantribe logo behind the windshield.

#### Bus

Or you can take Bus 288 it is a 20-minute drive to the venue direction Londerzeel Get off at Kapelle-op-den-Bos - Expoelstraat (Steynemolen) turn left to Expoelstraat and continue to Bredestraat. at the intersection with 'Oxdonkstraat' Koningsteen will be on your left

(about 20 min walk from the bus stop)

#### Arriving by car:

GPS: OXDONKSTRAAT 168, 1880 KAPELLE-OP-DEN-BOS Parking at: What3words: <a href="https://w3w.co/thumbnail.instigator.skiing">https://w3w.co/thumbnail.instigator.skiing</a>

### **Arrivals**

On arrival, please check in at the registration desk to recover your credentials and keys... The registration is at the south side of the castle like last year: <a href="https://www.co/mountaineer.symmetrical.miracle">https://www.co/mountaineer.symmetrical.miracle</a>

**Arrival times for Summercamp** are Tuesday from 16:00 to 19:00. **Registration desk will open at 15:00.** You're welcome to arrive earlier, but rooms and campsite will be open at 15:00 only, as we will be setting up.. You can always give a hand at build-up  $\ensuremath{\mathfrak{C}}$ 

Arrivals on Wednesday and Thursday will be open from 7.30 to 8:30 only for the late arrivals and One day workshops.

#### Arrivals for the festival will be open

- Thursday as of 3 pm to 10 pm
- Friday and Saturday from 7:30 am all day.

# Onsite Parking / Campers / Caravans / Tents

If you are arriving by Car and are camping in a tent or staying in a room, you follow the signs Parking and park on in the loading and unloading zone. https://w3w.co/thumbnail.instigator.skiing

After you have unloaded please park your car at the end of the road on the right-hand side, in the parking area.

Last year we had lots of damage to the garden, so you are welcome to put your tent in the garden, but cars and campers need to go in the parking area this year!

If you want to camp next to your car, or in a camper, you are welcome to stay in the large camping area, next to the parking/prairie area at the end of the road.

Toilets and showers are available in the nearby building. And we will have an extra toilet unit near the loading and unloading zone. This will be open also during the night to service the camper and tent area. - Please keep the toilets clean.

We also offered a limited number of rental tents. These will be handed out on check-in and need to be returned on departure.

# Whatsapp info-channel

We have created a Whatsapp Infochannel for all participants onsite. You can join the group with this link: https://chat.whatsapp.com/KrOxrbk7BFr1flRMLsESVO

This is an info channel, DO NOT use it as a group chatroom to avoid spamming everyone. Feel free to reach out directly to the organization team with any questions.

# **Catering**

As the kitchen is working with a dedicated team of volunteers, we appreciate you respecting the timings for the catering, as they need to plan back-to-back for the full day.

We will have an external catering company delivering fresh vegetarian food every day. If you have special dietary requirements, please let us know ASAP!

Breakfast will be daily from 08:00 to 09:00 Lunch from 12:00 to 13:00 Dinner from 18:00 to 19:00 or 19:00 to 20:00 Check daily announcements.

#### For the summercamp these meals are included:

Tuesday: Welcome dinner Included this year!

Wednesday: Breakfast, Lunch, DinnerThursday: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Friday: Breakfast

For the festival: As of Friday pm and Saturday there will be food stalls on site.

**For the Summercamp:** At Check-in you will receive a namebadge with your breakfast, lunch and dinner reservations on the back. Bring this badge to every meal so the team can stamp it. (No badge / no food)

Friday only breakfast is included, and for lunch and dinner, there will be little catering stands with a variety of dishes.

At the bar, we will serve a selection of soft drinks and of course, some Belgian beers. Duvel, Vedett and Liefmans Kriek beer.

For the drinks, we will provide **reusable cups**. You will receive a Re-usable cup for 2 euro,. - Cups will only be swapped with a special Cup token.. you can trade it back in at the end of the festival.

The same goes for glasses and bottles, so please return them to the bar to recover your Cuo tokens.

# **Cash Only!**

Please be advised that **we can not accept credit cards** for payments onsite. Please bring cash to pay for tokens or goodies from the shop.. Or maybe to buy your first instrument... There is NO cash machine onsite!

#### **Rooms**

Your room keys will be ready for you on arrival. If you have a shared room, we have randomly allocated your room partner (if you did not select one)

Sheets, are provided, but you will have to bring your own towels!

On departure, please drop your sheets at the laundry dropping point near the kitchen.

Castle is **only accessible for teachers** that have a room in the building, NOT for others, the castle is private, so please respect the privacy.

#### **Showers and toilets**

Showers and toilets are available on-site for the camping, and most of the rooms have private facilities.

# Welcome session Tuesday

On **Tuesday evening at 20:00 we will organize the welcome session**, here we will introduce the teachers and split the groups for the workshops.

#### Instruments

**The instrument of choice is DKurd** - If you have a DKurd please bring it to the Summercamp, as we will aim to get the most of the same instruments to have the best experience. We have some DKurd rental instruments available upon reservation.

# **Handpan Library**

We will have a nice selection of instruments for testing and also for sale. Every day, we will open the Handpan library, where you can borrow an instrument for free for a few hours. Please bring your ID card as a warranty if you want to remove an instrument from the room.

# <u>Workshops</u>

We have 50 people registered for the workshops! Most of you are joining the full camp, but some will join for just a few sessions.

This year we will have 6 different groups !! for the workshops and some workshops will be given in French!

- First Touch: The first group will always be a first touch group for people who have never played before. As some people will be joining on Thursday and Friday only we will keep them separate from the beginner group.
- Beginners: If you know the basics, you can join the beginner group, each teacher will approach different topics so you get a nice variety of skills.
- Intermediate: if you have some experience you can join the intermediate group here
  we will go more into composition, grooves, singing and other tools you can add to
  your toolbox.
- Advanced: This is the highest level to finetune your playing and learn from the best.

If you have been allocated to a group, you always have the freedom to switch to a level higher or lower, but given the large number of students, we will limit the maximum number of students in a group to 15. We might change the group levels depending on the different levels for the best experience.

Bring your own stool, cushions, and stand.. For the best comfort of playing.

You can find the program here:



# Summercamp evenings

Tuesday we have the welcome session, and on Wednesday and Thursday we will have a program with some live performances, Jams, interview sessions...

Don't forget to bring your camping seats, blankets, and mats to enjoy in the best comfort.

On Saturday concerts will start in the park at 11:00 and this event will be open for day ticket holders, so if you want to invite friends & family..

You can find the full program here

# **Sound and Video**

Alexandre Chaigne will be our amazing Sound Engineer.

And we have the team from Bombaclass that will cover all performances on video during the festival, and will cast a live stream.

# **Pantribe Virtual**

This year we will have Pantribe virtual tickets for those who want to follow the festival from home..

# **Merchandising**

There will be a shop with CDs, Vinyl, T-shirts and other merchandise available, please bring cash as we have no way to accept credit cards.

#### Raffle

For the raffle, and auctions we have a total of 3 instruments and some small goodies!! One of the instruments will be sold in a blind auction and another in a live auction. Tickets are available onsite. We appreciate your support!

# Yoga & side workshops

Every morning there will be a Vinyasa flow Yoga session at 7:15 and 8:15 in the garden room. This is paid event, please contribute during registration or onsite. You will get a Yoga-pass for all sessions.

# **Departures**

You are welcome to stay at the campsite until Sunday after midday, please clear the rooms by 10:00 on Sunday so the team can start preparing for the new arrivals of the retreat on Monday.

More information will be distributed in the Whatsapp Group and on the infoboard onsite.

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