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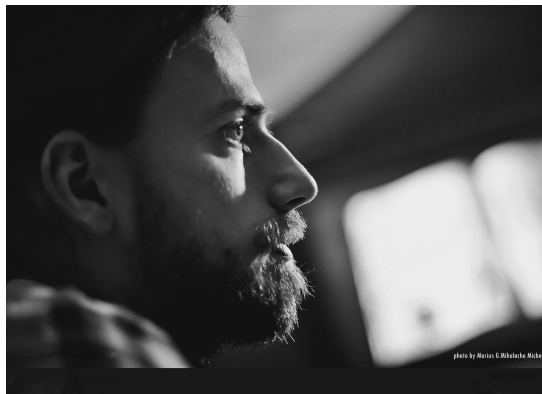


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Education

- 2010-2012 Master degree in Jazz Guitar and laptop electronics at the **Conservatory of Amsterdam**, the Netherlands
- 2009 Exchange semester at the **Long Island University** in New York, USA
- 2006-2010 Bachelor in Jazz Guitar at **Prins Claus Conservatorium**, Groningen, the Netherlands
- 2001-2006 Bachelor in Classical Violin solo performance at the **National University of Music Bucharest**, Romania.
- 1989-2001 Music and violin studies at “**George Apostu**” **Arts College of Bacău**, Romania

Scholarships

- 2008-2010 Nuffic HSP scholarship of the Dutch Ministry for Education, Culture and Science

Awards and Prizes:

- 2018 Semifinalist of Zbigniew Seifert jazz violin competition in Krakow, Poland
- 2011 Finalist of Brussels Jazz Orchestra International Composition Contest
- 2008 2nd Prize, Erasmus Jazz Competition, with Next Music Ensemble
- 2006 Second Prize, Mamaia Festival, with the group Jazz It Up, Romania
- 2005 Special Prize, UNMB Chamber Music Competition, Romania (classical violin)
- 2003 2nd Prize, National Competition “Paul Constantinescu”, Romania (classical violin)
- 2001 1st Prize, National Competition “Spring of Arts”, Romania (classical violin)
- 2000 Mention, National Music Olympics, Romania (classical violin)
- 1998 Mention, National Music Olympics, Romania (classical violin)
- 1997 3rd Prize, National Competition “Ciprian Porumbescu”, Romania (classical violin)
- 1996 1st Prize, National Contest “George Georgescu”, Romania (classical violin)
- 1995 1st Prize, National Competition “Achim Stoia”, Romania (classical violin)

- 1994 3rd Prize, International Competition “Rovere D’oro”, Italy (classical violin)
Mention, International Competition Brasov, Romania (classical violin)
- 1993 3rd Prize, National Music Olympics, Romania (classical violin)
1st Prize, National Competition “Spring of Arts”, Romania (classical violin)
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Relevant experience:

- 2018
- Monk on Viola solo project at Museum of Sidur (Moscow), Bimhuis and ZomerJazzFitsTour Festival
 - Release of *Dance* album in duo with Sanem Kalfa, performances at Bimhuis and festivals in Romania
 - Performing at Oriental Landscapes Festival with Oene van Geel Ensemble
 - Premiere of Eve Risser’s Lensemble Ensemble at Atelier du Plateau, Paris
 - Hondenhartje opera at the National Opera & Ballet
 - Concerts with DUMItRIO at EUNIC Festival Berlin
 - Tour and album recording with Dialoganduo in Italy
- 2017
- Solo viola premiere at Bimhuis
 - *Proverbe* CD-release tour with DUMItRIO in Netherlands and Romania
 - Co-founding Romanian Jazz International
 - Guest guitar teacher at the Conservatory of Amsterdam
 - Performances with Kaja Draksler Octet at Artacts Festival (Austria), Taktlos Festival (Switzerland), Cerkno Jazz Festival (Slovenia), Culturgest (Portugal)
 - Workshops and performances with Re-fuse at Gaudeamus Muziekweek and at Athens National Opera
 - Performances with Sanem Kalfa at Jazz Te Gast Festival, Tromso Jazz Festival (Norway), Beylikduzu Jazz Gunler (Turkey)
 - Collaboration with National Opera & Ballet for the opera Hondenhartje
 - Performance with Alex Simu Quintet at ZommerJazzFiets Tour
- 2016
- Recording of the album *Proverbe* with *DUMItRIO*.
 - Romanian/Dutch tour and recording of *Echoes of Bucharest* with Alex Simu Quintet
 - Recording with Sanem Kalfa & **Ambrose Akinmusire**.
 - Guest jazz guitar teacher and masterclass at the **Conservatory of Amsterdam**.
 - Premiere of *Kaja Draksler Octet* at Bimhuis, Amsterdam.
 - Performances and workshops in Amsterdam and Athens with the music-theater group Re-fuse as a collaboration between **Gaudeamus Muziekweek** and **National Greek Opera**.
 - Romanian tours with singer *Sanem Kalfa* and *Alex Simu Quintet*.
 - Dutch tour and CD-recording with Steven Kamperman Trio feat. Oene van Geel and **Michel Godard**.

- 2015
- Guest viola improvisation teacher at the Prins Claus Conservatorium Groningen and ensembles teacher at Conservatory of Amsterdam.
 - Performance at prestigious **Konzerthaus, Berlin** with DUMItRIO as part of Newstalgalia.
 - New collaboration with *Sanem Kalfa* and **Zapp4 String Quartet**.
 - Musical director of Homo Ludens, an opera-theater performance in collaboration with the **National Dutch Opera and Ballet**.
 - Workshops and performances on pipe organs and improvisation at Orgelpark with interdisciplinary group *I/O*.
 - Performances with *DUMItRIO (Gărâna Jazz Festival)*, *Hidden Myth (Ljubljana Jazz Festival)*, *Sanem Kalfa* (Romania, Turkey, Netherlands - **Rotterdam International Jazz Festival**)
 - Member of the jury: **Bucharest Jazz Festival** composition commission.
- 2014
- Guest jazz guitar and ensemble teacher at the Conservatory of Amsterdam.
 - CD-release tours of *Future Nostalgia* with *DUMItRIO* in the Netherlands and Romania.
 - Performances with *I/O*, **Romanian Jazz Collective**, *DUMItRIO*, *Sanem Kalfa* in the Netherlands, Romania, Turkey, Italy.
- 2013
- CD-release *Nehir*, together with *Sanem Kalfa* in the Netherlands and Romania.
 - CD-release *Catch If You Can* with *Steven Kamperman Horizon Trio*, Netherlands.
 - Performance with *I/O* interdisciplinary group at **Muziekgebouw aan't IJ**.
 - Romanian tours with **Romanian Jazz Collective** and *Twin Thoughts*.
 - Composing and recording soundtracks for 3 films together with *Alex Simu* (eg. *Off Ground - Cinedans Public Prize winner*).
 - Performance with *Kaja Draksler Acropolis Quintet (Winter Jazz Festival Brussels)* and *Sabrina El Hossamy Band (Cairo Jazz Festival)*.
- 2012
- Major jazz festivals performances with *Kaja Draksler Acropolis Quintet* in Norway, Estonia, Netherlands, Slovenia (**Ljubljana Jazz Festival**), Germany and Turkey (**Akbank Jazz Festival**) part of **12Points Plus program**.
 - Concerts with *DUMItRIO* and duo with *Sanem Kalfa* in the Netherlands, Slovenia, Turkey and Romania, duo with *Marta Hristea* at **Jazzycolors Festival, Paris**.
- 2011
- Composing and conducting the piece *Nautilus* (inspired by Bela Bartok) for **Brussels Jazz Orchestra** at Flagey Hall, Brussels.
 - Performances in major festivals (**12 Points Festival Dublin, Skopje Jazz Festival**) with *Kaja Draksler Acropolis Quintet*.
 - Romanian tour with *Twin Thoughts*, **radio broadcasting for European Union**.
 - Performance with *Sanem Kalfa Quintet* for **Istanbul Jazz Festival**.
- 2010
- CD release tour of *Turku* with *Kaja Draksler Acropolis Quintet* in Slovenia and Croatia.
 - Performances with *Neighbors Trio* feat. *Francesco Bearzatti* in Italy.
- 2009
- Tour with *European Academy Big Band* led by *Peter Herbolzheimer* in Ukraine.
 - CD-release concert of **Ack van Rooyen** in New York.

- 2008 Performances with **Nicolas Simion Group** (Italy, Switzerland and Germany), *Re-bop Unit* (Romania), *European Academy Big Band* led by **Peter Herbolzheimer** (Germany, Czech Republic), *Kaja Draksler Quartet* (**Ljubljana Jazz Festival**, Jazz Lent Maribor)
- 2007 •CD-release as co-leader of *Re-bop Unit* feat. 1st alto saxophonist of Village Vanguard Orchestra **Dick Oatts** (New York).
•CD-release *Akropola* in Slovenia with *Kaja Draksler Quartet*.
- 2006 Tours in Romania with Eldad Tarmu, Cengiz Bayzal and Henry Franklin.
- 2005 •Tour as part of *Romanian National Radio Orchestra* in Japan.
•Workshop lead by american Fulbright teachers in Jupanesti, Romania.
- 2002-2006 Performances with *Romanian All Star Big-Band* led by *Tom Smith, Maurice de Martin and Berliner Jazz Composers Ensemble, Romanian Radio Big-Band, Mircea Tiberian, Mihai Iordache, Marius Popp, Nicolas Simion, Jazz It Up* in most of the Romanian venues and festivals.

Discography:

Sanem Kalfa & George Dumitriu	Dance	2018
Steven Kamperman's Neoropa		Homerecords.be 2018
DUMItRIO	Proverbe	TryTone 2017
Kaja Draksler Octet	Gledalec	Clean Feed 2017
Native Aliens Ensemble		TryTone 2017
Alex Simu Quintet	Echoes of Bucharest	2017
DUMItRIO	Future Nostalgia	FN01 2014
Sanem Kalfa	Nehir	Zennez 2014
Sebastian Spanache Trio	A Pasha's Abstinence	Fiver House Records 2014
Steven Kamperman Horizon Trio	Catch it if you can	Zennez 2013
Kaja Draksler Acropolis Quartet feat. Sanem Kalfa	Türku	DruGod 2009
Kaja Draksler Quartet	Akropola	Goga Records 2008
Re-bop Unit feat. Dick Oatts	Bali Dreamland	PCC 2008
Teodora Enache	Rădăcini - shorashim	Soft records 2007