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Rīga, Latvia

EDUCATION

1999-2008:

AMARASEKARARAMAYA TEMPLE,
COLOMBO AND THE BUDDHIST
MONASTERY SCHOOL IN
PALLEKANDA, SRI LANKA.

BUDDHISM STUDIES

2002-2003:

UNIVERSITY OF LATVIA
PHILOSOPHY AND HISTORY
FACULTY

1989-1994:

RIGA SECONDARY MUSIC
SCHOOL NO. 2
PIANO, SOLO SINGING

NOMINATIONS

- 2024 Kilograms Kultūras (Kilogram of Culture) LV, Concert-video story with video artist Mersedese Margoite, *"Finally, the Happy Sharks"*
- 2023 Zelta Mikrofon (Golden Microphone) Latvia, LP *"Lonely Revolutions"*
- 2021 Zelta Mikrofon (Golden Microphone) Latvia, EP *"The Long Road in the Cemetery"*

IMANTS DAKSIS

SONGWRITER, COMPOSER,
SINGER-SONGWRITER, VOCALIST.

PROFILE

Imants Daksis has written several hundred songs in Latvian and has worked as an independent solo artist since 2003. He regularly performs throughout Latvia. He has released nine critically acclaimed music albums that received six nominations for the Latvian Music Annual Award *Zelta Mikrofon* and one nomination for the *Austra Award* (additional Latvian popular-music award). Additionally, he has participated in various music projects spanning different genres, contributing to nine more albums. His studio recordings have included collaborations with numerous professionals from Latvia's music scene. His musical influences are: world music (in song arrangements), ritual music (in stage performances), film soundtracks (in music production) and 1960's psychedelic rock (in lyrics and sound).

NOTABLE EVENTS AND PROJECTS

2024

Concert and video story (projections) in collaboration with a video artist Mersedese Margoite: *"Finally, the Happy Sharks"*

- **January 27, 2024:** Cinema "K.Suns," Riga, LV / **Premiere**
- **March 22, 2024:** Cultural Center "Wiktarija," Liepāja, LV
- **August 31, 2024:** "Old fire night", open air concert, Ventspils, LV

2023

Album presentation concert: *"Lonely Revolutions"*

- **January 28, 2023:** Cinema "K.Suns," Riga, LV / **Premiere**
- **February 3, 2023:** Cultural Center "Wiktarija," Liepāja, LV

Creation of a 16mm music video for the song *"The Long Road in the Cemetery"* (Album: *Lonely Revolutions*).

Author of storyline Imants Daksis. Camera, directing, edit: Jazeps Podnieks (LV)

2022

Release of the album *"Lonely Revolutions"* on vinyl 12" and digitally.

2021

Release of a music video: *"Freedom Drive"* (Album: *Lonely Revolutions*).

2020

Recorded a song *"Vīziju Mednieks"* (*Vision Hunter*) with the support of LaIPA grants. (UNRELEASED)

Released EP *Ilgaiss "Ceļš Kapos"* (*The Long Road in the Cemetery*), digitally

- 2021 *"Austras Balva"*, EP *"The Long Road in the Cemetery"*
- 2019 *Zelta Mikrofons* (Golden Microphone) Latvia, LP *"ASS, Self Destructive"*
- 2009 *Zelta Mikrofons* (Golden Microphone) Latvia, Elpo, bērns! (Breathe, Child!, 2009)
- 2008 Latvian Music Awards, Latvia, LP *"Tu esi dziļā"*, ("You are deep")
- 2007 Latvian Music Awards, LP *"In the Temple of Unborn Religion"*

Release of a music video for a song *"Spoks"* (Ghost)

2019

Writing lyrics for 13 songs inspired by Kārlis Skalbe's tale *"Kaķīša dzirnavas"* (*The Cat's Mill*) for the Latvian innovative music original composition collection Skalbe. *"Dzirnavās"* (Naba Music).

Arrangement and recording of two songs from the collection: a solo track, *"Maigais skatiens"* (*The Gentle Gaze*), and a collaboration with Matīss Runtulis, *"Vienots stāsts"* (*A Unified Story*).

Creation of a music video for the song *"Vētrasputns"* (*Storm Bird*) from the upcoming album *Vientuļās revolūcijas* (*Lonely Revolutions*).

2018

Release of the album *"ASS, Self Destructive"*, CD and digital

2016

Release of the album *"Mūžīgā ģeogrāfa piedzīvojumi"*, (*The Adventures of the Eternal Geographer*), 2016 (CD, Lauska)

2009

Release of the album *"Elpo, Bērns! vol.2"*, (*Breathe, Child! vol.2*) CD, Lauska

2008

Release of the album *"Tu esi dziļā"*, (*You Are Deep*) CD, Lauska

2007

Release of the album *"Vēl nedzimušas reliģijas templī"*, (*In the Temple of an Unborn Religion*) CD, Lauska

Release of the album *"Mežs ieiet sevī"* (*The Forest Enters Itself*), CD, Lauska

2004

Release of the album *"Elpo, Bērns! vol.1"*, (*Breathe, Child! vol.1*) CD, Pienene

Release of the album *"Rīts, kad atausa atmiņa par Saules civilizāciju"* (*The Dawn That Rekindled the Memory of the Sun Civilization*) CD, Pienene

OTHER PROJECTS/RELEASES

2018

The Bubble Gum expLOTION (lyrics, music, vocals, guitar)
An experimental electronic music group
LP *"Sexplotion"* 2018 (CD, Naba Music)

2015

Pērkonvīri (vocals)

Folk music group

LP "Dindaru" 2015 (CD, Lauska)

2009

Antarktīda (vocals, sound effects, percussion):

An experimental avant-garde music ensemble

"For Antarctica and Freedom", 2009, (Antarktīdai un brīvībai)
(CD, Sturmmandat)

2005

Džefras Asinis (music, lyrics, vocals, guitar, bayan, whistles, flutes, etc.)

Experimental solo project

"Skin Is Clothing" (Āda ir drēbes) 2005, (CD, Pienene Records)

2004

Pasaules Gaisma (lyrics, music, vocals, guitar)

Post-punk, indie alternative music group

LP The Picture Book of Matter (Matērijas bilžu grāmata) 2004,
(CD, Tornis Records)

World's Light, (Pasaules Gaisma) **2003**, (CD, Tornis Records)

ADITTIONAL PROJECTS/SOLO

A digital retrospective compilation of songs released in 2013,
Digital:

- **"Domas nogalina"** (**Thoughts Kill**),
- **"Mēs esam tukšums"** (**We Are Emptiness**) (Live recordings from 2007-2008)
- **"Этот мир требует шамана"** (**The World Needs a Shaman**) (2006)
- **"Soviet Ghosts"** (2003-2009)

