SHIRA Z. CARMEL and her BRASSERIE

A Singer-Songwriter and a Brass-Band walk into a bar



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Shira Z. Carmel and her Brasserie is **Shira Z. Carmel'**s newest adventure - an **Avant-Groove Brass Band**, standing (and dancing) on the line between Jazz, Art and Pop. This unusual ensemble features 6 brass and woodwinds players, a drummer, an arranger and a singer-songwriter.

After years of traveling between the arts - be it dance, theater or photography - *Shira Z. Carmel* has found her artistic home in music. For over a decade of writing and performing them, her songs have taken many shapes and sounds, whether it's a doo-wop swingy tune with her band "The Hazelnuts", a rocky-jazzy-cabaret ballad with her former "Shira Z. Carmel Quartet", or a Yiddish poem composed into music with her Avant-guard duo "The Technicalities". Whatever the instrument, whatever the genre, Shira creates a human microcosm: a SONG, and with it - an idea, a story, a new perspective. Now - accompanied by 6 horns and a drummer there's no stopping her.

Finding inspiration in the classical brass quintets, jazz big-bands, the 1940s' cool jazz and the New Orleans marching bands, arranger *Orr Sinay* dips Carmel's songs in a hot sauce of horns and drums that best befits her sultry voice and poetic lyrics. *Carmel & Sinay* met in the Jerusalem Music Academy, and it was musical love at first sight. They now collaborate in this fascinating project, where **Brass, Wind** and **Fire** come together. After performing for astounded audiences throughout the year, and releasing their debut album on Jan. 1st 2016, **Shira Z. Carmel and her Brasserie** are now planning to take over the world.

"A strong and interesting feminine album". (Hadey Ozen music blog)

"Shira Z. Carmel and her Brasserie's new album flirts with jazz and cabaret and leaves many open thought provoking questions." (Haaretz Newspaper)

"9/10 - Despite this instrumental and intellectual complexity (you'll find plenty of songs about death here) the album feels "jammy" and light and the joy of music making blows through it like a storm.

(Haaretz music blog)

"Shira Z. Carmel's act is likely the best musical act in Israel today... (+972 Magazine)

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Voice & Songs: Shira Z. Carmel // Arrangements: Orr Sinay // Drums: Oded Levi Tuba: Péter Lengyel // Trombone: Yaron Ouzana // Trumpet: Tal Avraham Bass Clarinet: Nitai Levi // Saxophone: Noam Shapira // Clarinet: Tomer Amikam

