

Maurice van Dijk was born in the Hanseatic city of Kampen, he learned the basics of his ultimately unique sound and about the thousands of distinct ways of trumpet-playing. In his youth, he was twice champion at the soloist nationals. At a very young age, he was then admitted to the Conservatory of Rotterdam, Utrecht and Zwolle. By the end, he completed his bachelor's and master's with high final grades.

In his early years as a musician, he linked his trumpet playing to the orchestra of Jan Mulder and he acted as substitute for various professional orchestras. He later went on to play for the Hineni Symphony Orchestra and Ars Musica. He is no stranger to the worlds of church and choir music and he has been guest performer dozens of times on EO NL. He has also been a guest on Radio 4, Radio IJsselmond, RTVOost, NCRV, KRO and the Reformatorische Omroep, not only to play, but also to speak about his profession.

During these years as an active musician, Maurice also wrote four method and playbooks for trumpet which were translated into German and English and were then sold in Canada and Australia. In recent years, in addition to his thriving private teaching practice, he has been active in choir concerts and church services both solo and with his wife Janita.

Janita van Dijk. Originally from Steenwijk, her part of DUOvanDIJK warmly complements the harmony. In her daily life, she is a teacher at a school for the gifted and a plus class (group 7). She also completed the study coach certificate to a high level and now she's doing her master's in remedial education at the University of Amsterdam.

The debut album she and Maurice recorded was awarded a 'Silver Dove' nomination in the category Best Instrumental Album. The International Trumpet Guild praised the album's tone, purity and arrangements. In the summer of 2015 they recorded their follow-up album titled: LINK.

For the 2017 and 2018 seasons, they'll be on stages worldwide. Invitations have come from Croatia, Austria, Germany and South Africa.

The link to one of her performances on:

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