

Une visite de l'expo LaLaLab 'The Mathematics of Music'



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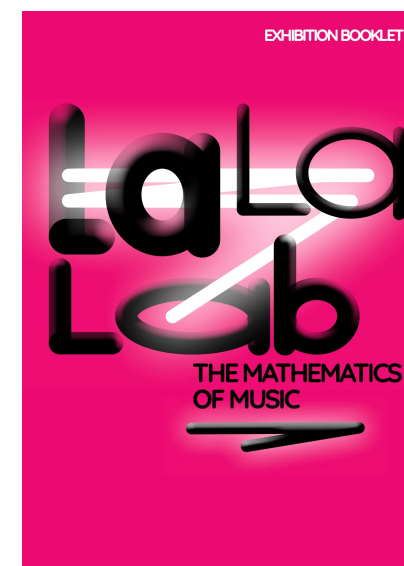
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La.La.Lab brings the visitor to an interactive exploration and discovery of music from a mathematical perspective. The exhibition pivots over three axis:

- **Music theory.** Learning what tools build music, and how these tools are used to create art. Basic concepts and historical comments.
- **Current research.** The latest trends of research in the connection of maths and music. Artificial Intelligence, theoretical and new instruments, classification and composition tools.
- **Art and entertainment.** A joyful display of artworks from artists and mathematicians in the field.
Talks/concerts at scheduled events



Vue d'ensemble des stands/modules disponibles

Pink Trombone

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Show me music

Program



Mind and Music Jukebox

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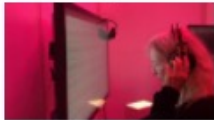
The Spectrum of Sound - Analyzer

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The Spectrum of Sound - Synthesizer

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Musical bench

Physical Exhibit / Hands on



The Harmonic Series #3 - 3D display

Program



Gerhard Widmer on Expressive Music Performance, the Boesendorfer CEUS, and a MIDI Theremin

Film



Scale Lab

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Whitney Music Box

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The Harmonic Series #1 - Laser

Physical Exhibit / Hands on



Pentatonic Scales

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Tonnetz

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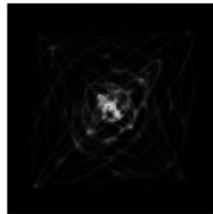
Beat Box

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Lissajous figures

Gallery



Note Compass

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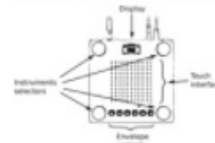
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Physical Exhibit / Hands on



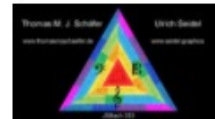
The Harmonic Series #2 - 3D sculptures

Physical Exhibit / Hands on



JSBach333 - canone permutativo al triangolo from BACH333 - Canon Composition Competition 2018

Film



The Graph Composer

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AI Jam

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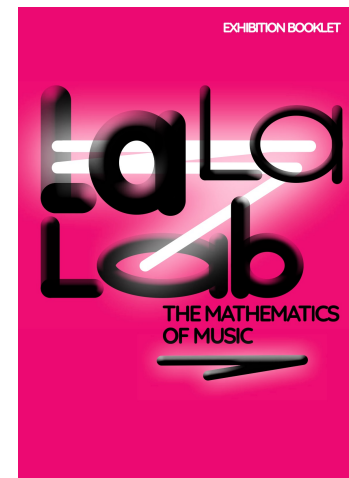
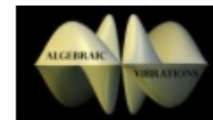
The Sound of Sequences

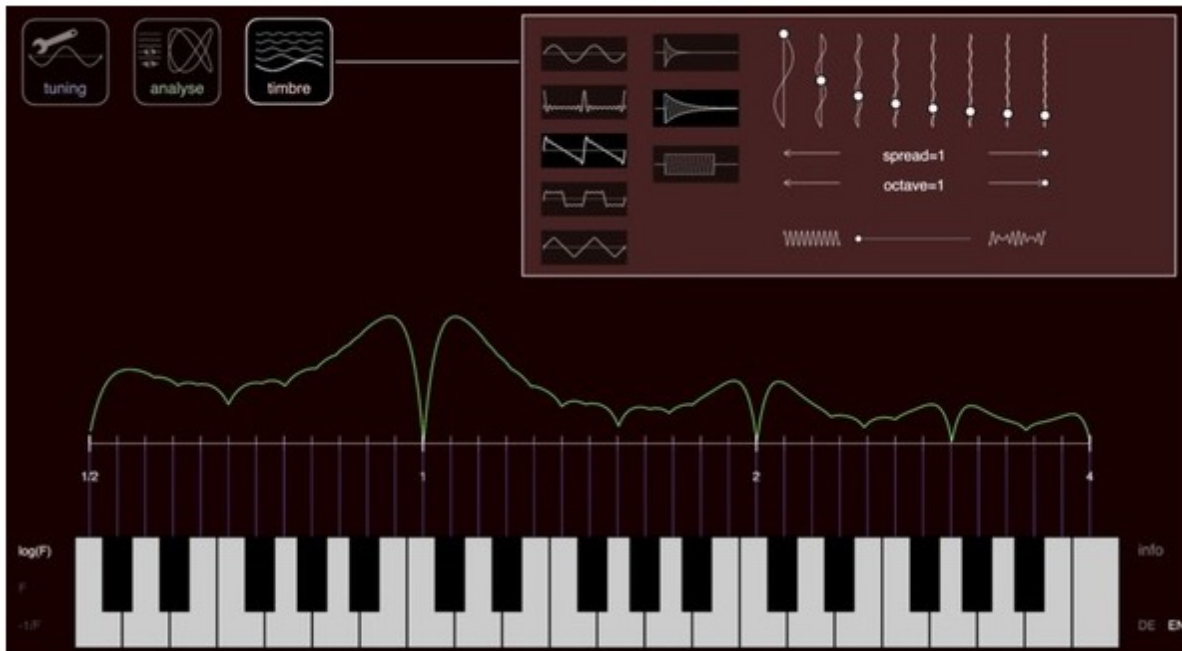
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Algebraic Vibrations

Film





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Scale Lab

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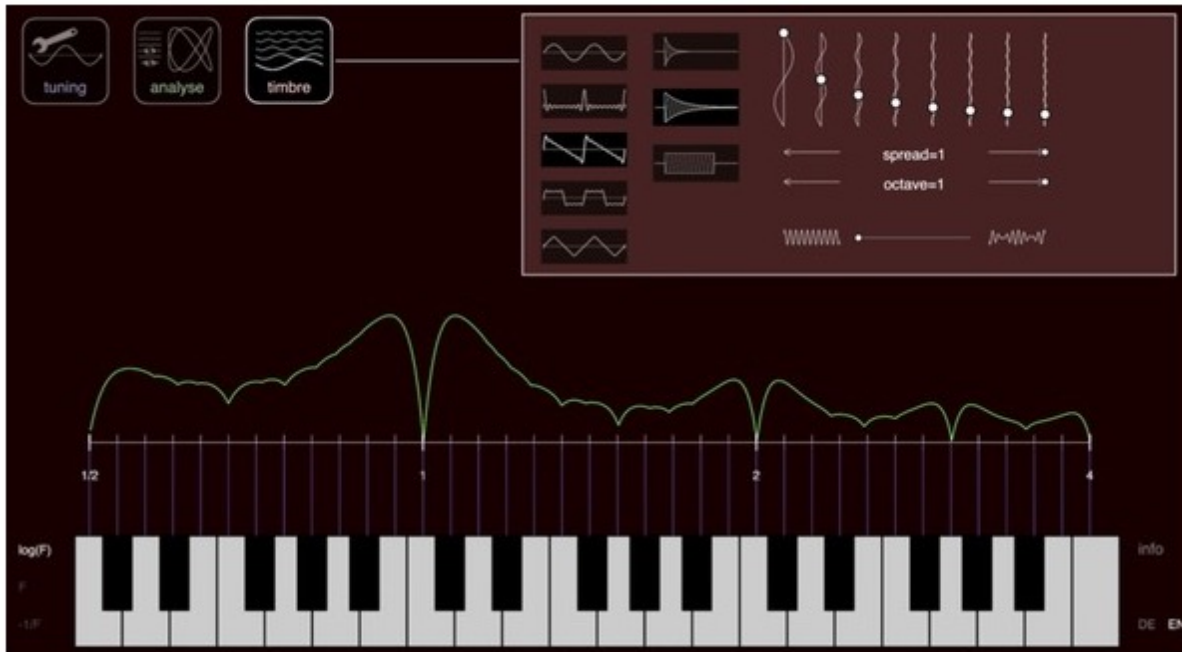
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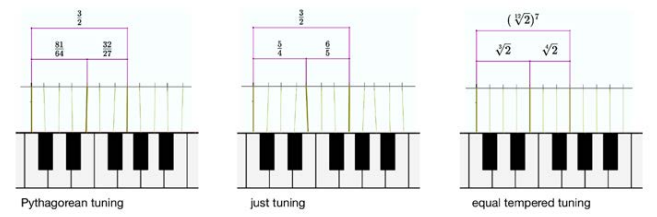
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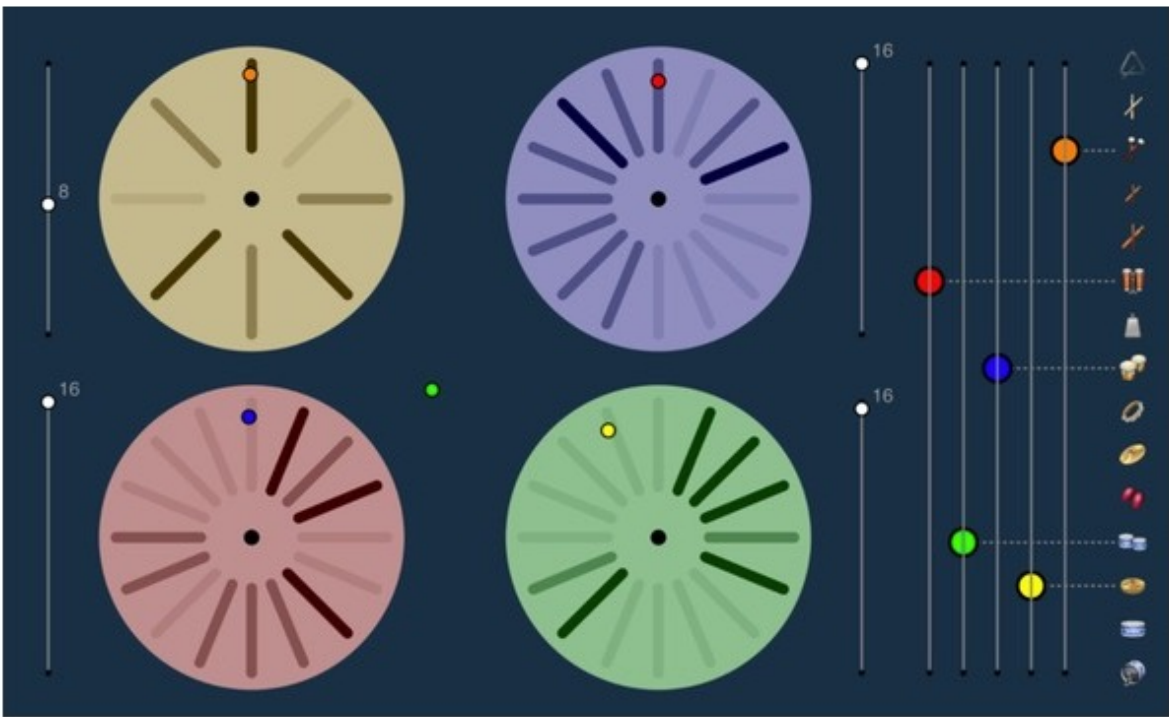
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Experiment: Open the tuning box and experiment with different Western tunings. The colors shown in the Tonnetz indicate how close an interval is to a perfect one. It is also very instructive to analyze the different tunings with the ratio tool. It shows the ratios of intervals if they are played on the keyboard. The picture below shows the frequency ratios for a major C chord.





Select an animation, press the “play” button and experiment with the parameters. Try to clap along.

Along with melody and harmony, rhythm is one of the most important components of music. This exhibit explores various ways to create and analyze rhythms by mathematical methods. No instrument is required to play a rhythm, clapping your hands is enough. However, even simple structures may be difficult to perform. In this exhibit, you can explore the relation of fractions and rhythms. See how pixelated lines can be used to create drum patterns. Explore intriguing minimalistic ways to create rhythms and much more.

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Beat Box

SEQUENZER

EUKLIDISCHER RHYTHMUS

N ÜBER M RHYTMEN

FIBONACCI RHYTHMUS

CLAPPING

GITTER RHYTHMUS

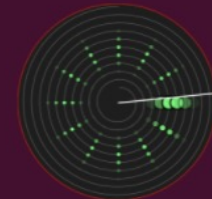


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Show me music



MOZARTS WÜRFEL



SHEPARD TONE



DUR-MOLL KANON

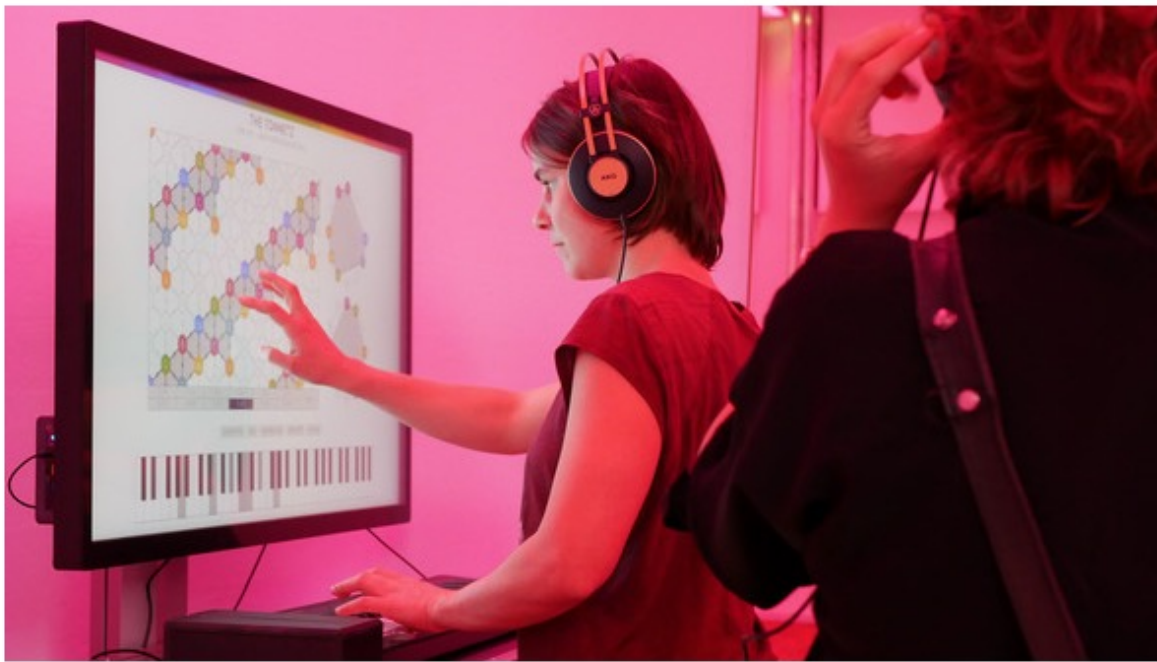


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Dive into a multitude of topics that visualize the complex interrelations of melody, harmony and mathematics. Push the “play” button in each visualization and experience the effect of parameters.

Each of the animations looks at a certain musical piece or pattern from a special mathematical viewpoint. Aspects of symmetry, both in time and space help to understand musical ideas. If you look at an animation of a Chopin Prelude, it unveils hidden structures and helps you to understand the music better.

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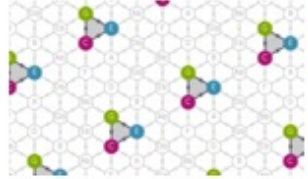
Explore how we can represent the notes in a logical and useful way! The Tonnetz is a pictorial representation of the notes in the plane that reveal affinities and structures between notes and on concrete music pieces.

Written scores and keyboard instruments order notes by pitch. However, notes with close pitch tend to sound bad together, but notes separated by intervals such as the octave (12 semitones), the perfect fifth (7 semitones) or the major third (4 semitones) are more harmonic. The different types of Tonnetz display close together notes by specific intervals. Musicians also use the chromatic circle (ordered by semitones) and the fifths circle (ordered by fifth intervals) as useful tools to compose music.

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Tonnetz



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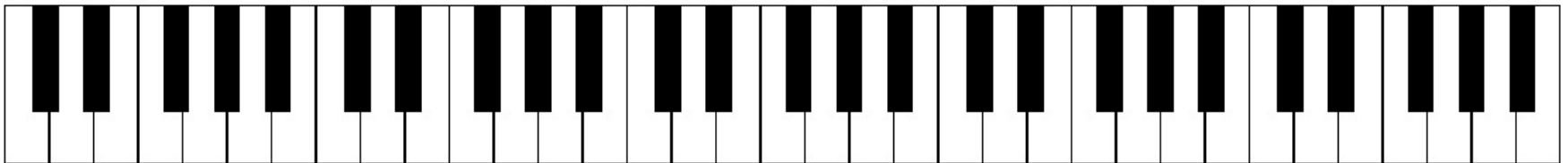
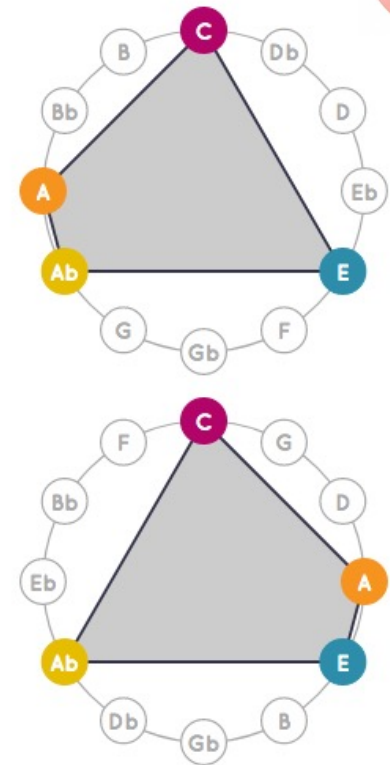
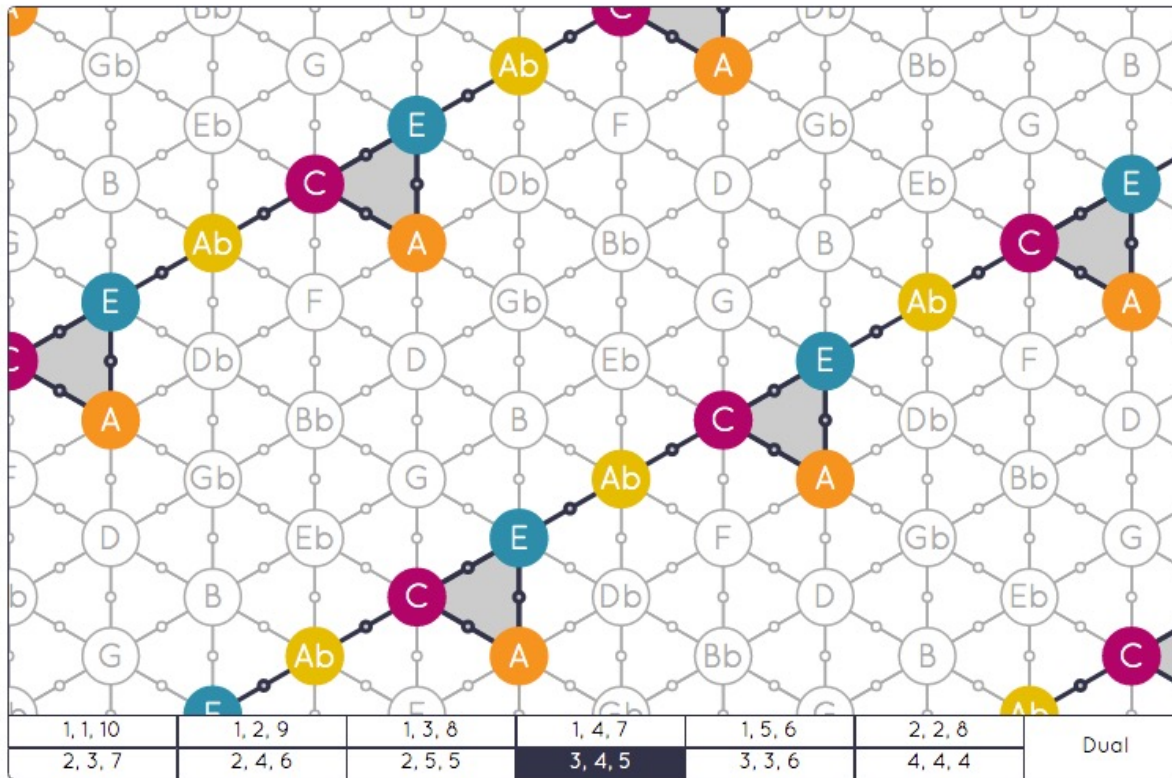
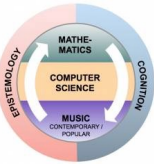
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THE TONNETZ

ONE KEY – MANY REPRESENTATIONS



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La La Lab: A tour through maths and music



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