

### *Short biography:*

## Jakob Helling

The composer and trumpeter Jakob Helling, born 1990 in Bielefeld, Germany, studied in Bremen, and at Folkwang University of Arts in Essen where he got his Bachelor degree in Jazz Trumpet. Afterwards he moved to Graz to study Jazz composition with Ed Partyka and Michael Abene.

Some highlights of his career were working with Maria Schneider, playing as Substitut in WDR Big Band Cologne, being two year member of Bundesjazzorchester („BuJazzO“), composition commissions for ensembles such as Subway Jazz Orchestra in Cologne, Graz Composers Orchestra and Concept Art Orchestra in Prag.

As trumpeter he was one of three finalists for the second trumpet chair of the Danish Radio Big Band in Copenhagen. As composer he recently was finalist in „Jazz Comp Graz 2017“ and in „Neuer deutscher Jazzpreis 2018“ in Mannheim.

After playing a short tour with his Jakob Helling Concert Big Band in 2019 he won the „Förderpreis“ of Career Service Center at University of Arts Graz (KUG) as well as an honor price for outstanding alumni.

