

**Antti Virtaranta** is a Finnish bass player. Born in Stockholm, Sweden, he has moved from place to place throughout his life. As a teenager, he moved to the United States, where he began playing in math-rock bands. He studied jazz at the University of the Arts, Philadelphia, where he found access to free jazz and improvised music. Since moving to Berlin in 2011, he has played throughout Europe and Japan in a wide variety of formations.

His musical influences range from mathcore, electronic music, jazz to contemporary music. His very own sound is drawn from a multitude of elements. His music is the result of a careful exploration of traditional and non-traditional playing techniques. Incorporating home-built and -programmed technologies, he transcends them to create a unique sonic vortex.

He frequently collaborates with dancers and visual artists such as Zala Pezdir, Yuko Kaseki, Olli Orthuber, as well as musicians such as Tristan Honsinger, Elliot Levin, Axel Dörner, Silke Eberhardt, Ignaz Schick and others.