



SIMONA PARRINELLO

A W A K E N

Simona Parrinello

*vocals / compositions /
arrangements*

Gianluca Di lenno

*piano / compositions /
arrangements*

Michelangelo Scandroglio

double bass

Alessandro Rossi

drums

Music and art create spaces for attention and care, awakening what lives within us and opening new ways of relating to the world around us. Both an intimate and a collective need, artistic experience can transform the way we perceive and inhabit the present. Poetry and beauty become living matter, making space for connection, listening, hope, wonder and emotional resonance. Led by vocalist and composer Simona Parrinello and pianist Gianluca Di lenno, whose musical dialogue began in 2006, Awaken brings together original compositions and imaginative arrangements of jazz gems. A distinctive element of Awaken is its dialogue with poetry.

The verses of Maya Angelou, Emily Dickinson, Alda Merini and Fadwa Tuqan become a source of inspiration, woven into the creative process. Parrinello's velvety voice, expressive depth and poetic sensibility flow freely across the pulse, alongside Di lenno's adventurous harmonic language, Alessandro Rossi's inventive drumming and Michelangelo Scandroglio's melodic bass lines. Together, they create a sound that moves between lyrical openness, rhythmic complexity and raw intensity. In summer 2026, Awaken performed at the Edinburgh Jazz & Blues Festival as part of a European tour spanning London, Paris and Barcelona.





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www.soundcloud.com/simona-parrinello-1

LIEVE (S. Parrinello / G. Di Ienno)

live recording at MU74 | <https://youtu.be/tb8DJ8HF9uA>

DAY DREAM (B. Strayhorn / J. La Touche)

live recording at MU74 | <https://youtu.be/FemSzMyNuTY>

BEATRICE (S. Rivers / S. Parrinello)

live at OutOff | <https://youtu.be/XNa468wYZRs>

MAN ON WIRE (G. Di Ienno / S. Parrinello)

live at OutOff | <https://youtu.be/WfgSLPwGAVw>

GHOSTS (G. Di Ienno / S. Parrinello)

live at OutOff | <https://youtu.be/dHBubrimqzo>

A FLOWER IS A LOVESOME THING (B. Strayhorn)

live at OutOff | <https://youtu.be/XIZ6Y7AldD0>

EVERYBODY'S SONG BUT MY OWN (K. Wheeler)

live at OutOff | <https://youtu.be/7Dm9ee1uimo>

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