



## **Robinson Khoury**

Robinson Khoury was born in Lyon to jazz musician parents. He began his musical studies with singing lessons from the Opéra de Lyon, then when he was twelve, he started learning the trombone.

He was admitted to his local Conservatoire, then in 2011, at age 16, to the Conservatoire Supérieur de Musique et de Danse de Lyon to study under Michel Becquet. He was awarded his Master's degree five years later with first-class honours, highly commended by the degree awards panel, not least for the diversity of styles presented.

While he was still a student, Robinson founded the group Uptake, which met with some early success when the Jazz Festival in Vienna offered the group the chance to make their first recording ('So Far So Good'), and get signed up to the label Jazz Village Harmonia Mundi in May 2015.

Robinson has also won international prizes as a solo artist (first prize at the International Trombone Association's awards in 2012, in the J.J.Johnson category, instrumentalist award at La Défense in 2015, first prize and improvisation prize at Riga Jazz Stage 2016). In January 2015, he was invited to New York to record with Tom Pierson's Big Band, playing alongside Lew Soloff and 'Blue' Lou Marini. In 2015, he was also contacted by Ibrahim Maalouf to take part in a series of projects working alongside Natacha Atlas at Jazz in Vienna and Marcus Miller at the Jazz à Juan festival in Juan-les-Pins.

The young trombonist is involved in a number of groups with different musical styles, which include SARĀB (Arabic/jazz/rock music), Octotrip (low-register brass ensemble), Thibault Gomez Quintet (contemporary poetic jazz), the Dedication Big Band and Le Sacre du Tympan (large modern jazz band).

In 2019, he has signed a contract for the position of solo trombonist with the Metropole Orkest in the Netherlands (considered the greatest jazz orchestra in the world). This appointment confirms his position as a leading light amongst his generation in the world of jazz.

Robinson Khoury is sponsored by Rath Trombones (England) and plays an R3 model.