

Athina Kontou's project Mother is about the story of a musician who was born to greek parents in Frankfurt, Germany and considers both countries her home. With this ensemble she arranges pieces from the greek music culture - traditional and contemporary, songs and dances - and builds a link between her identity as a jazz musician and her greek roots. The traditional songs are enriched with contemporary soundscapes and the music that emerges speaks intuitively to the audience from a very personal point of view. The core of her work is the search for the connecting elements of different cultures, as she herself is a border crosser between the different musical cultures.

With her three fellow musicians Luise Volkmann, Dominik Mahnig and Lucas Leidinger she forms a colourful and lively sound body. Their debut „Tzivaeri“ was released in August 2022 on nWog-Records and was nominated for the german Critics Award (Preis der deutschen Schallplattenkritik) and the German Jazz Award (Deutscher Jazzpreis).