

# MONA MUR

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### Description

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Old "Snake" Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ajtHSdAs9gU>

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<http://www.playloud.org/archiveandstore/en/>

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### TEXT

MONA MUR: THE ORIGINAL BAND (1984-86)

Mona Mur, born in Hamburg, met FM Einheit, Alexander Hacke and Mark Chung from "Einstürzende Neubauten" and Gode B. from "Front" during the punk explosion. As "Mona Mur & Die Mieter" they released their first 12" single "Jeszcze Polska" in '82, which immediately claimed the "Single of the Week" slot by London's New Musical Express. Mona Mur then lived a wild life in Paris and Berlin. In fall 1984, she formed a new Mona Mur band with FM Einheit and Alexander Hacke, joined by "Flucht nach Vorn" keyboardist Nikko Weidemann (today "Moka Efti Orchestra"), Siewert Johannsen (guitar, "Stricher") and Thomas Stern (bass, "Crime and the City Solution"). This "Mona Mur Band" was recorded and mixed live by Raymond "Nainz" Watts ("Einstürzende Neubauten", "Psychic TV", "KMFDM") at his Building Site studio in Hamburg.

The band played acclaimed concerts in Germany and Europe, as well as festivals, such as the renowned PANDORA's BOX in Rotterdam. Their manically intense live performance in guitar thunderstorms and morbid slowbeat chic and especially their seminal Brecht/Weill interpretations ("Surabaya Johnny", "Der Song von Mandelay", "Die Ballade vom Ertrunkenen Mädchen") are still cult today.

The band broke up in spring of '86, and Mona Mur embarked on a solo career.

The recordings, made between 1984 - 1986, had never been released... until now.

"Her dark, dramatic voice lets our blood flow backwards." (Bewegungsmelder ZÜRICH)

### CREDITS

Mona Mur: Vocals

Siewert Johannsen: Guitar

FM Einheit: Drums

Thomas Stern: Bass

Alexander Hacke: Guitar

Nikko Weidemann: Keyboards, Organ

Recorded and Mixed by Raymond "Nainz" Watts

Produced by Mona Mur Band & Raymond Watts at Building Site Studio, Hamburg 1985-86

\* "Der Song von Mandelay" was recorded at NDR Studio Hamburg, June 1985, produced by Raymond Watts

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IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE ABOVE ALBUM, THERE ARE TWO OTHER ALBUMS BEING RELEASED FOR STREAMING AND DOWNLOAD:

Mona Mur: The Original Band live at NDR (1985)

Mona Mur: Live at K44, Berlin 2005

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### Tracklist

#### DISC 1

1. Surabaya Johnny
2. Snake
3. Eintagsfliegen
4. Die Ballade vom ertrunkenen Mädchen
5. Der Song von Mandelay
6. 120 Tage
7. Mon Amour
8. My Man