

## WHAT'S ON

# Cross-cultural experience at Central Bank

FOLLOWING the successful cooperation of last year's German Jazz Band "Count Count" with renowned local artists like Sheldon Blackman, 12 The Band, Patti Rogers and many others, the German Embassy will host another cross-cultural experience in Port-of-Spain.

Trinidad will be the first stop of the well known German vibraphonist Franz Bauer and his double bass colleague Dirk Strakhof on their tour through the Caribbean and Central America.

The German "Kite Duo" will perform at the Central Bank Auditorium on Sunday at 7 pm,

also featuring Clive Zanda's Ex-Tempo/Kaso Trio and a Finale Jam Session with TT Afro Caribbean pianist Mikhail Salcedo and drummer Donald Jr. Noel.

In Kite's music different cultures come together and engage in a musical conversation.

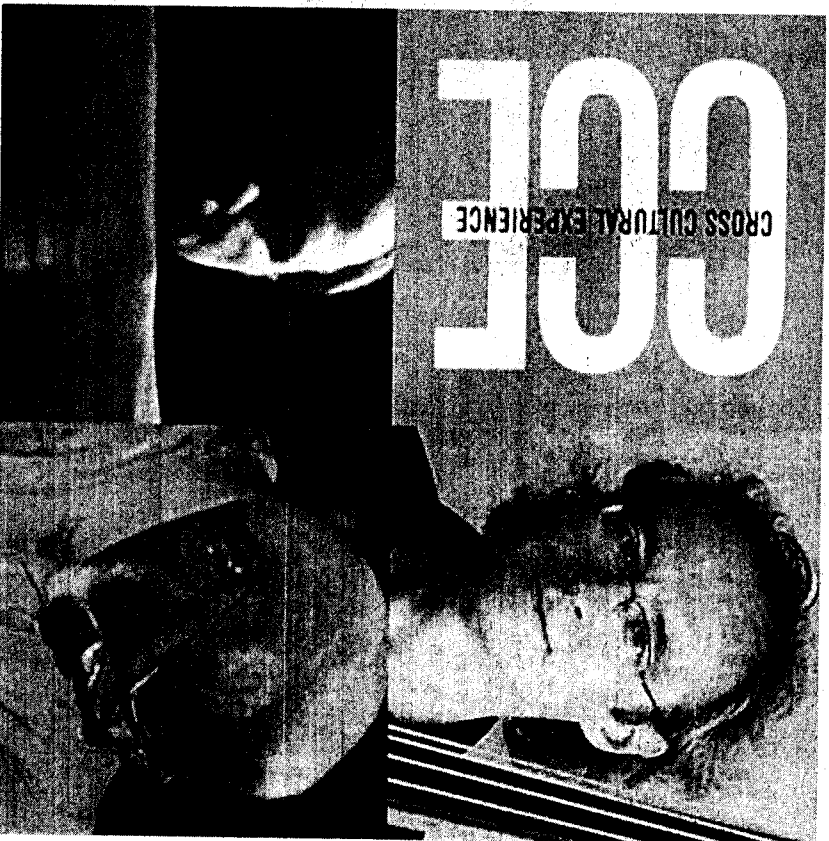
Dirk Strakhof's warm singing double bass provides the foundation for the duo. His melodious and rhythmical playing often produces experimental sounds rarely heard from a bassist. Vibraphone and marimbaphone, played by Franz Bauer, lend the music a full and soft sound. His love for unusual sounds, clear themes and complex grooves lead to

perfect interaction with Strakhof's bass.

Through communicative performances folkloristic themes appear in an unusual light, shifting constantly between jazz and world music. Exceptional, sparing grooves and virtuos solos promise an interesting programme.

The German duo will be holding workshops in cooperation with various schools in Port-of-Spain. Interested artists are invited to join in order to make their visit a true cross-cultural experience.

For further information or reservations, send an email to [pr-10@ports.diplo.de](mailto:pr-10@ports.diplo.de) or call 628-1630.



THE KITE DUO . . . coming to TT for a show and workshops