



## **SOUAD MASSI – *Ya dra***

New album (release August 2019 - naïve Believe) and new show 2019

Following her last album, *El Mutakallimûn*, where she had brought back to life a selection of texts from great Arabic poets, Souad Massi is back with a very personal project : *Ya dra* (« *who knows* » ?).

### ***A tribute to women ... from intimate to universal...***

The various songs selected for this upcoming album render moments of her own life, her own emotions in a personal way. But also her commitments, her strive for the values she has puts forth whether in her career or in her life as a woman.

In this new project, Souad wants to talk about what touches her, what she strives for : women and their conditions through time and in the world.

She raises her voice hoping to fight, on her level, against the violence so many women experience, but also; to be part of those thriving to find a new path : the path to independence and to the right to dignity.

From a profound longing to reach out far and wide, her musical choices are pure, universal, thus creating a bridge between chaâbi and folk music. Souad invites us to experience a return to the source of her musical grounding, tinted by her genuine inclination for diversity.

### **Touring line-up :**

Souad Massi, voice, guitar

Rabah Khalfa : derbouka

Mehdi Dalil : mandolin, guitar

En cours : violin viola

En cours : percussion