

Unique: Harp and Voice

# ZEM

## *A New Sound on Harp*

*Charismatic Dutch-Belgian Harpist & Singer-songwriter with Ethiopian roots gives the harp a completely new sound!*

From folk to jazz, via blues, triphop and dance, from Beethoven to Jimi Hendrix, from Bob Dylan to Patti Smith... ZEM astonishes with her idiosyncratic interpretations of her (S)HEROES and amazes with her own compositions and lyrics in three languages. As a singer, ZEM accompanies herself on a specially built semi-electric harp and her own rhythms, together a complete one-woman band.

*Born in Ethiopia, raised in Ghent, classically trained,  
innovative in vocation, hip hop as roots, French Chansons as guilty pleasure,  
blues as experience, jazz as rhythm, and soul as prophecy:  
ZEM!*

### **Short Bio**

ZEM was born in Ethiopia.

As an orphan, she was adopted by a Belgian-Dutch couple and grew up in Ghent (Belgium) in a bilingual environment (Dutch/French).

Very early on she studied classical harp (culminating as a private student of Suzanna Mildonian) and piano.

From the age of 16 she wrote her own songs and sang in hip-hop formations.

ZEM writes in French, English and Dutch and embraces musical genres as diverse as her own roots.

At her first public performance during the “Concours de la Chanson Alliance Française” in The Hague, she immediately won the “TV5MONDE Audience Award”.

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#### **Websites:**

- repertoire & booking [www.zem-harpist.com](http://www.zem-harpist.com)

- music & shop [www.zemsworld.com](http://www.zemsworld.com)

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