



ARNO **Photographs 1972-2022** **Danny Willems**

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- Photographer and soul brother Danny Willems shows the real Arno in hundreds of images
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“Arno will never die, even though he is dead. There is his music. And there are the pictures Danny took. Danny’s photographs don’t sing. They whisper. You can hear the singer, his voice, his stuttering, his laughter, his breathing. This book is the shadow cast by a life.”— Stephan Vanfleteren

Danny Willems – not called the sixth band member of T.C. Matic for nothing – stood side-by-side with Arno Hintjens for 50 years, both as a photographer and as a friend. The sheer number of photographs he took of Arno, from his very first concerts to the final leg of his journey, is a testament to those years. This book shows Arno’s life in pictures. It is the story of two men who not only surrendered wholeheartedly to their passion for music but were also mutual kingmakers.

An overview of Arno’s career in more than 200 pictures with dozens of anecdotes, a complete iconography of the cover art from 1976 to 2022, and a foreword by Stephan Vanfleteren.

Text in English, French and Dutch.

Belgian photographer **Danny Willems** started out as a successful rock photographer in the 1980s. During the 1990s he directed music videos and from there on switched over to commercials. From 2005 on, he has combined commercials and music videos with still photography. In 2008 he quits commercial work and shifts his focus to what he likes the most: music, contemporary dance and theater photography.