Mała Orkiestra Dancingowa (Small Dance Orchestra), under the direction of Noam Zylberberg, plays early Polish pop. The twelve-piece ensemble performs the music of 1930's Warsaw in a nostalgia-free manner, using surviving recordings to reconstruct songs in their original arrangements, presenting them in their original musical style. The orchestra sees its mission also in preserving the music's original goal by playing mainly for dancing. Orchestra members are leading classical and jazz musicians in Poland. Based in Warsaw, MOD regularly performs across Poland as well as abroad.



Warsaw in the interwar period was a multicultural and cosmopolitan city, open to new and experimental ideas, embracing and absorbing external influences. A new and unique Polish style of popular music rapidly began taking shape. The scale and scope of creative work was astonishing, and during the course of a decade, local artists had introduced thousands of new original songs, many of which have been long forgotten.

The capital of the newly independent Poland was quickly taken over by dances, which were then popular all over the world: from the Foxtrot, Slow-fox, and Waltz, through new American dances such as the Charleston and the One-Step, to the more exotic Rumba and Pasodoble.

Surprisingly, however, the most popular genre at the time was the Tango. While popular all over Europe at one time, the Argentinian dance found its way into the hearts of the people of Warsaw and was not quick to disappear. Starting in the late 1920s, Polish musicians began composing their own tangos and very quickly a new style emerged - a mixture of South-American rhythms, traditions of western classical music, and Slavic tenderness. The **Polish Tango** was unique to that particular place and time, not to be found anywhere else.





In 2018, the orchestra released its first album.



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MOD consists of:

Noam Zylberberg – vocals / piano/ artistic direction
Michał Górczyński – clarinet / saxophone
Michał Robak - clarinet
Maurycy Idzikowski - trumpet
Filip Mazur - trumpet
Dagna Sadkowska – violin
Zofia Endzelm – violin
Olga Owczynnikow - violin
Mikołaj Majkusiak - accordion
Andrzej Izdebski – guitar / banjo
Łukasz Owczynnikow - contrabass
Krzysztof Szmańda – percussion / vibraphone



MOD performed in:

Warszawa

Klub SPATiF DZiK Nowy Teatr Sinfonia Varsovia Kinoteka PROM Kultury Sklep Wielobranżowy Bęc Zmiana

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LDZ Alternatywa – Fabryka Sztuki, 08/2019

Lublin

Teatr Osterwa, 11/2018

Iława

Festiwal Złota Tarka, 08/2019

Kraków

Festiwal Kultury Żydowskiej, 06/2018, 06/2019

Germany

Haus der Kulturen der Welt – Berlin, 04/2016

Israel

Jerusalem Theater – Jerusalem, 11/2019

Netherlands

Parkstad Limburg Theaters – Heerlen, 05/2019

Georgia

Teatr Tumanishvilli – Tbilisi, 05/2019

