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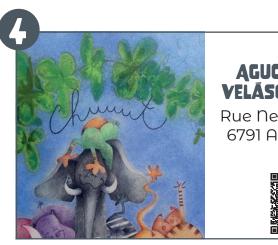
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In order to dynamise the centre of Athus, the Local Development Agency in collaboration with the City of Aubange decided to launch a project featuring Street art.

With the aim of developing the socio-cultural life of the city through the colouring of the environment, it symbolises the emergence of a little touch of personality in the town. Urban art allows us to embellish our daily lives. It gives everyone the means to express their imagination and to interpret the message that the work wants to create. Moreover, this popular art is accessible for everyone.

This project is as much artistic as human, because it contributes to provide a way to retrieve, meet and greet each other.









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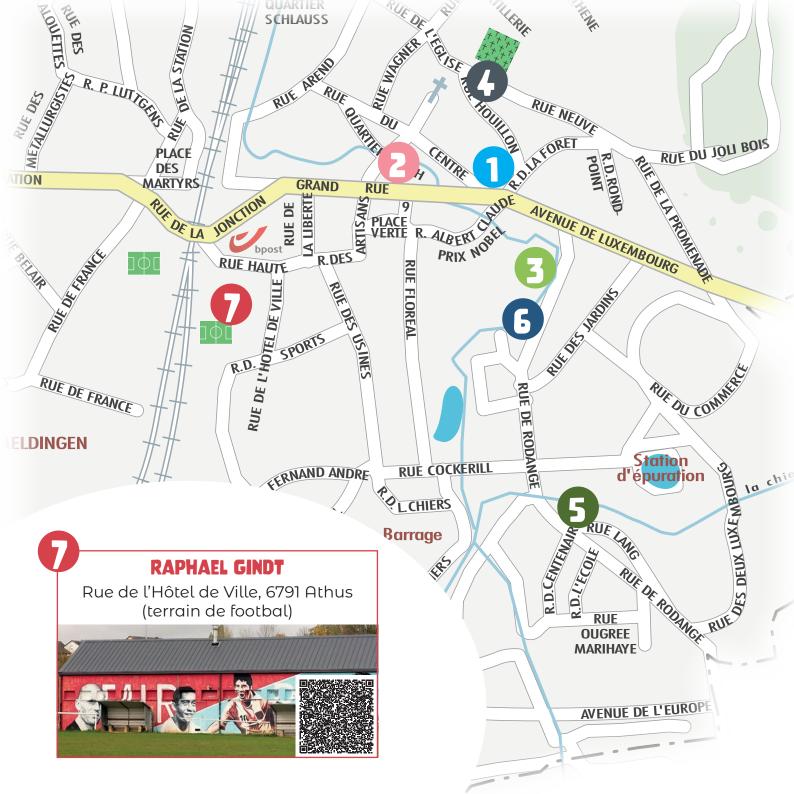












#### **PABLITO ZAGO**

This artist, coming from Avignon, is self-taught and multidisciplinary (street art, illustrator, graphic designer and musician). His work is always very colourful. He has developed a technique to draw portraits with a single line. His work has a large abstract side and a very personal and dreamlike symbolism. He is particularly interested in monsters, but prefers to add colour to make them more friendly than scary. He likes when people tell their own stories about his work.

This fresco is called « Unite, we will be stronger ». Although the work was painted in September 2020, Pablito drew the picture on paper before he heard about covid. However, the fresco is intended to deliver a message of meeting, reunions, solidarity and mutual support.







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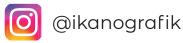
# ALEX KANOS AND THE OSARO COLLECTIVE

Alex Kanos comes from Paris. He has always lived in the middle of graffiti. He attended the Fine Arts during 10 years. He is a great humanist. His art is expressed through female faces. He is inspired by Mucha, a famous illustrator, painter and graphic artist of the Art Nouveau period. He is also influenced by futuristic works such as the cartoon Akira or the movie Blade Runner. In his works he often mentions the relationship between man and technical innovation.

In this fresco called «Elsa», he created the character with mechanical elements to evoke the city's industrial past. In his design, he also wants to show that the cultural future will give more space to digital technology by integrating the relationship between man and machine.







http://www.ikanografik.com/



#### **BORIS BOBZ**

Boris Bobz lives in Auboué, a small town located 30 km from Metz. He is an illustrator and graffiti artist. He is a self-taught artist who learned to draw by reading books and watching tutorials. His illustrations are often related to the world of comics and cartoons. He likes funny characters and colours.

This mural wants to transport us in a tropical jungle and bring greenery into a grey environment. He wanted his work to be cheerful and to attract directly everyone's eye.



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# PHAYAM PRODUCTIONS

Marina and Antoine are jacks-of-all-trades (comics, sculpture, theatre sets) who started mural painting in 2018. Their works can be admired in Belgium (Beloeil, Hamois), France (Angers), Spain, India and Thailand. They find their inspiration from nature and place endangered animal species in the centre of their compositions. They also use brushes and acrylic paints that are less polluting than aerosol cans.

With this fresco, they want to revegetate this urban space by presenting a part of nature in a large format. The animal represented is the harvest mouse, whose population has been drastically reduced due to intensive agriculture.





#### IOTA AND HIER DESIGN:

Iota is born in Brussels in 1991. She started drawing at a very young age. In 2013, she became more and more interested in mural painting and spends her free time looking for deserted places to practice. Her work is inspired by classical figurative painting and Art Nouveau. She likes to represent the human soul in all its forms. She mixes bodies, textures and materials to bring us into a world where the unconscious merges with reality.

In this fresco, she has chosen to illustrate a flock of migratory birds. Blue was chosen because it is considered to be the colour of hope. She has wanted to illustrate the journey undertaken by people who leave their country in the expectation of a better future.





https://www.notoneiota.art/



## AGUCHO VELÁSQUEZ

Agucho Velásquez is a Peruvian-born artist living in Athus. He likes to make works with simple recycled objects such as tin lids, jute bags for coffee beans, .... This always results in very colourful relief paintings.

Agucho painted this fresco during summer 2005. His wife, Marie-Christine Nadin, drew the design on paper. She was inspired by what the nursery means for her. She has been working with children for more than 30 years and creates illustrations for children's books.





#### RAPHAEL GINDT

This Luxembourg artist is born in 1993. He lives in Leudelange. He started painting in the streets as a teenager. At the age of 19, he became a professional artist. He is known for his art which mixes styles and techniques. He is an expressionist, as well as a surrealist artist. He also creates his own glass sculptures. All the characters in his paintings have taken part in a touching moment in his personal life.

This mural was painted in 2015. On one side, he represented big names in world football and on the other side, famous Belgian players.







http://www.gindt.eu/



















