JChris



Urban Latin singer-songwriter, pianist, and producer Chris Urquiaga, known as JChris, is lauded for his high energy Spanish-English performances and smooth voice. His music transcends boundaries, infusing Latin, Afro and Brazilian influences and exploring themes of gender fluidity and queer culture. Metro Weekly magazine featured Chris on the cover, calling him "...the next big thing" and describing him as an artist with a "potent, sweet, and rich voice [with] songwriting skills to match."

"...the next big thing...one of the country's hottest up-and-coming composers..."
- Metro Weekly Magazine

"...staggering intensity on the piano..."
- BroadwayWorld

Program Offerings

LATIN MUSIC NIGHT (or LATIN MUSIC CELEBRATION)

Show Reel: https://youtu.be/nNlbHB6BVF4

Show Description: You will hear original urban Latin tunes penned by JChris as well as other Latin pop standards in Spanish and Portuguese, presenting a variety of subgenres in Latin music.

LATIN DIVAS

Show Reel: https://youtu.be/4smehmhPPnU
Show Description: This program travels throughout Latin America, the US and Spain to perform songs by iconic divas like Gloria Estefan, Selena, Shakira, Rocío
Durcal and more

NOCHE DE ORGULLO - CELEBRATING QUEER LATINX ARTISTS

Show Reel: https://youtu.be/279k6G5bkz4

Show Description: JChris celebrates queer Latinx artists like Ricky Martin, Anitta, Juan Gabriel, Pabllo Vittar and others.

These programs are flexible and malleable. JChris enjoys speaking with presenters to shape the programming to meet their needs.



Workshop Offerings

LATIN POP: A CULTURAL FUSION

Workshop Description: Participants will learn about the history of Latin pop music, Latin pop subgenres of music, and the influential artists who contributed to this crossover genre.

EVERYONE CAN WRITE A SONG

Workshop Description: Students will learn ways to write & record their musical ideas and turn their ideas into songs more fluidly.

URBAN LATIN: HOW DID IT COME ABOUT?

Workshop Description: Participants will learn about the history of urban Latin music (reggaeton, dancehall, dembow, etc.) and the identifying features that make it distinct from other genres of music.

Educational Workshops For Youth

LA MÚSICA: A WORLD OF ENCANTO

Workshop Description: Kids will be singing, playing percussion instruments and learning about Latin rhythms with music from Disney films like Coco, Saludos Amigos and Encanto.

+Includes: An Encanto themed Goodie Bag

CANTAR Y BAILAR

Workshop Description: This interactive workshop will have kids learn about the different music, languages and dance styles of Latin music.





"The superstar." - Akon, recording artist

"Soulful" - Brenda Russell, recording artist

Workshop Reviews

"Participants will be inspired and enlightened by the musicianship, talent and energy of the very gifted JChris."
- Betty Scott, Strathmore

"JChris makes the learning experience fun and unique."
- Jason Asbury, Associate Head of School at Saint Ann's
School in Brooklyn







Discography

Tun Tun - JChris, Lissis Martin, and Nitty Scott - 2023

La Llave - JChris and LoMaasBello - 2023

Cariñosa - JChris and Den\$o - 2023

Insensible a Ti - JChris - 2022

Dime - JChris - 2022

Oportunidad - JChris - 2022

Quedate Con El - JChris - 2022

Caliente - JChris, Naldo Benny, and Rick Joe - 2021

Hasta Abajo - JChris - 2021

The Last Time/ Jamás Te Olvidaré - JChris, Maryjo Mattea, and Pablo Antón - 2020 Macarena - JChris - 2020