



José Soto

Driven by the purpose of creating socially conscious music, and art, José Soto, a Costa Rican pianist, composer, and educator, explores free improvisation, jazz, classical music, and Latin American rhythms. He studied at the National University of Costa Rica, the New England Conservatory, and the Berklee Global Jazz Institute.

His album "The Ancestral Call," inspired by the Bribri indigenous culture, won the Gold Medal at the Global Music Awards and was featured in NPR's Best Alternative Latin Music of 2023, Jazziz Editor's Choice, NBC New York, and People en Español. Notable jazz musicians such as George Garzone and Francisco Mela contributed to the project. José has toured nationally and internationally, sharing stages with artists like Luciana Souza, Francisco Mela, Danilo Perez, and Eddie Daniels. He currently teaches at Berklee College in Massachusetts.