

MATEO

2023



MATEO is a Colombian singer-songwriter, guitarist based in Montreal, Canada. He is defined by various media and critics as **an atypical singer who transforms and refreshes the homogenized image of the current Latin American Artist**.

Inspired by Afro-Beat, Salsa, Rock, and Afro-Colombian sounds, Mateo has developed a solo project sculpted in his image: **Afro-Latin & Electric: Pure Candela!**

He has an artistic background that includes studies of classical and electric guitar, vocals, and percussion. His professional experience in music begins at the age of 5, first with folk groups with whom he represented his home country on several tours across South America.



MATEO Festival Mosaïque 2021

Since arriving in Montreal, CA at the age of 19, MATEO has successfully conquered and established himself in the local Canadian scene and is recognized as an artistic figure of the « Latin New Wave » sweeping the country.

MATEO was chosen by **CBC Radio Canada as « Artist Revelation of the Year 2020-2021 »** in the World Music category for his first solo album **« Vengo de Frente »** released in February 2020.



Créditos: Juan David Padilla Vega

He subsequently obtained his first nomination at **ADISQ in the category « Album of the Year in World Music »** and finally received the **Male Singer of the Year Award at the Canada Latin Awards 2020**.

This gave him considerable visibility in the media throughout the territory. MATEO is often heard on the radio and **television of major Canadian media networks**.

The musical quality and MATEO's discographical work opened important doors which led him to participate in the digital edition of the prestigious **Montreal International Jazz Festival** which brings together each year the best representatives of the genre around the world, as well as the **International Nuits d'Afrique Festival**, where important collaborations have also been made with the **Place des arts in Montreal** and the **Quartier des spectacles in Montreal**.

MATEO is currently promoting their debut album and producing new material for the year **2024-2025**

TOUR

Headliner Festival Les Rhythmes de Tremblant, August 2023, Mont Tremblant (CA)

- Shenkman Arts Center
September 2023, Ottawa (CA)
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Headliner Festival Solstice
June 2023, Saint Georges (CA)

- Canada day
July 2023, Gatineau (CA)
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Mango Cocktail
November 2022, Chia (COL)

- Album release « Vengo De Frente Vol I & II » Théâtre Plaza, May 2023, Montréal (CA)
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Institut de la Culture
November 2022, Cajica (COL)

- Banana House club
Novembre 2022, Bogota (COL)
-

Lola Lolita Lola
September 2022, Montréal (CA)

- Official Showcase – CirculArt
November 2022, Medellín (COL)
-

Vieux St Bruno
August 2022, St Bruno(CA)

- Zone Musicales
August 2022, Laval (CA)
-

Square Cabot
August 2022, Montreal (CA)

- Festival Traditions du Monde,
August 2022, Sherbrooke (CA)
-

Fête de la Récolte
August 2022, Deux Montagnes (CA)

- Festival International Nuits d'Afrique
July 2022, Montréal (CA)
-

Diffusion FAR
July 2022, Vaudreuil sur le Lac (CA)

- Parc Eusèbe Ménard
July 2022, Montréal (CA)
-

Festival International De Jazz
de Montréal
July 2022, Montréal (CA)

- Canada day
July 2022, Montréal (CA)
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- MATEO Selection & spotlight for Global Toronto 2022, Toronto (CA)
- Festivals 2021 - Canada
 - Festival international Nuits d'Afrique; Festival Rythmes du Monde; Festival Mosaique; Festival Far; Festival MUZ Montreal; Festival TAM TAM
- Advertising campaign « Coeur Battant » Quartier des spectacles, 2021, Montreal (CA)
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 - Showcase Mundial Montreal 2021, Montreal (CA)
- TV Show « La fabrique culturelle »
Télé Quebec, June 2021, Béthanie (CA)
- - MATEO Tribute to my Influences (3 sold out shows), Fall 2021, Montreal (CA)
- Performance TV« Rallumer les étoiles »
Télé Québec June 2021, Béthanie (CA)
- - Quebec Tour (More than 15 dates in several cities, festivals an venues) Summer Fall 2021, Quebec (CA)
- MATEO selection for circulART, 2021, Colombia
- - MATEO at *Belle et Bum*, musical perfomance TV Show, January 2021, Montreal (CA)
- MATEO Selection & Showcase for RIDEAU 2021, Montreal (CA)
- - Awarded *singer of the year* - Canada Latin Awards December 2020, Montreal (CA)
- MATEO Festival Mondo Karnaval, December 2020, Quebec (CA)
- - Nomination, « Album of the year » World Music at Gala ADISQ
 - November 2020, Montreal (CA)
- MATEO Selection & spotlight for the showcase Mundial Montreal November 2020, Montreal (CA)
- - MATEO Selection & Showcase at Mercado Musical del Pacífico (MMP)
 - October 2020, Cali (COL)
- Festival Coups de Cœur Francophone November 2020, Montreal (CA)
- - International Nuits d'Afrique Festival September 2020, Montreal (CA)
- Montreal International Jazz Festival June 2020, Montréal (CA)
- - Award « Revelation CBC Radio Canada 2020-2021 » World Music category
 - May 2020, Montreal (CA)
- Launch « Vengo de Frente »
at Le Ministère
February 2020, Montreal (CA)
- - Show at Sofar Sounds Montreal
 - January 2020, Montreal (CA)

MEDIAS



Campain for the cultural reactivation of Montreal City in partnership with **Le Quartier des spectacles**



Mapping projection on the buildings at **la Place des Arts de Montréal - Les visages Nuits d'Afrique**



Performance MATEO for the TV Show **Rallumer les étoiles à Bethanie – Télé Quebec**



MATEO Showcase
Montreal International Jazz Festival 2020



Performance MATEO for the TV Show **Belle et Bum – Télé Quebec**



Performance of MATEO at **YAMM – Télé Québec**

PRESS



« I don't do Latin music — we have grown beyond that. This music is global »

https://exclaim.ca/music/article/canadians_are_thriving_in_latin_music_but_can_they_succeed_at_home



THE BEST SOUNDS FROM ALL AROUND

Mateo in the post-Colombian era

« Colombian-born Montreal singer Mateo is a composite creature... far from denying his Latin American roots. »

<https://panm360.com/en/interviews-panm360/mateo-a-lere-post-colombienne/?fbclid=IwAR29ethHQoCxav-Uv-dev-uSo1QiWWCwvQA938P0Qwi0bMCNb7zSifGhIYg>

RÉVÉLATIONS



« Discover Matéo, an atypical singer who transforms the image you have of Latin music. »

(Translated from french)

<https://ici.radio-canada.ca/revelations/2020-2021/document/nouvelles/article/1780753/mateo-revelation-radio-canada-en-musique-du-monde-2020-2021>

NIGHTLIFE.CA

« a surprising singer and creative songwriter who draws inspiration from Colombian folk music, rock and salsa to create a sound that is both electric, progressive with an Afro-Latin touch. It's really to be discovered ! »

(Translated from french)

<https://nightlife.ca/2020/06/23/5-artistes-a-ne-pas-manquer-presentes-par-td/>



« Conoce a Mateo, la nueva promesa de la música colombiana en el exterior »

<https://colectivosonoro.com/2021/01/conoce-a-mateo-la-nueva-promesa-de-la-musica-colombiana-en-el-exterior/>



« Beyond being a mainstay in my career, this award means an opportunity to tell all those freelance creators out there that all their efforts are worth it and that the hours they spend doing projects are not wasted. » (Translated from spanish)

<https://www.rcinet.ca/es/2020/05/28/mateo-premio-revelacion-radio-canada-musica-del-mundo-2020-2021/?fbclid=IwAR32-MTOdtrEoPWOAbcKdexH1zGlvABDFHado-novjm-LuWMT-g9E8BwqDdA>



« it is a transgressive and daring proposal, in which genres that could be considered opposite to each other, find in Mateo's music a point of union that opens doors to a creative universe. » (Translated from spanish)

<https://rugidosdisidentes.co/mateo-musico-colombiano-que-desde-canada-esta-conquistando-el-continent/>



« Defined as an atypical singer, Mateo seeks to break the prototype of the Latin American artist. That is why he makes use of all his cultural heritage in the research to define his own style, a personal stamp, however; « We must continue to represent who we are » » (Translated from spanish)

<https://www.montreallatino.ca/post/2020/07/04/mateo-una-revelaci%C3%B3n-latina-en-el-festival>

VENGO DE FRENTE Vol I & 2

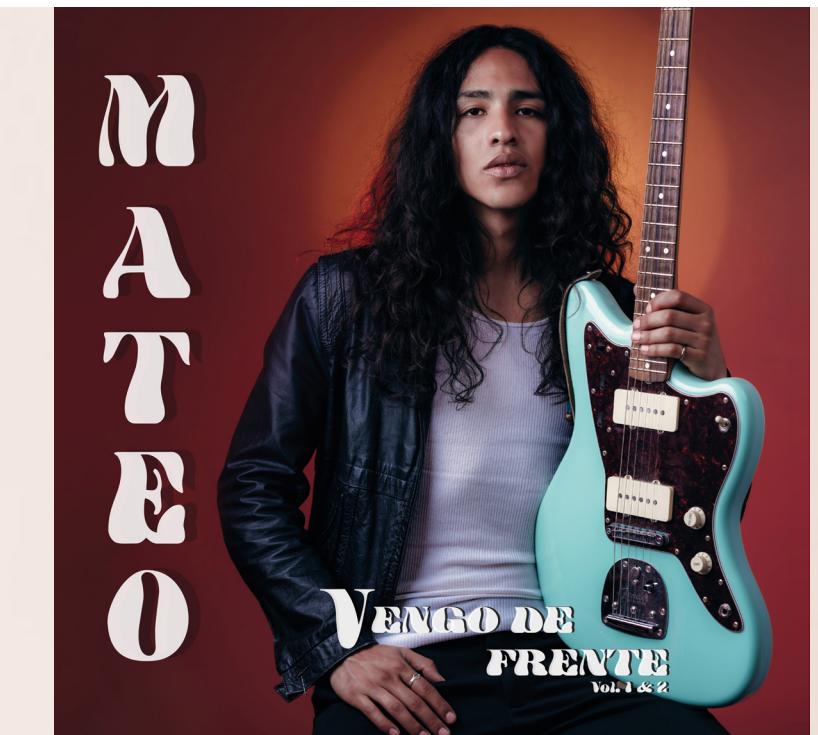
Label: Azul Rojo Music (Montreal, Canada)
Year: 2023

Characterised as a fresh, organic and eclectic offering, «**Vengo de Frente Vol I & II**» is a record built from **Afro-Latin, Pop-Rock, Afro-Beat and Dance Hall elements**. A production that stands out for its cohesion and maturity, as well as its musical format and structure. MATEO has succeeded in creating a sound that is authentic, assertive and accessible.

With an initial 5-song release in 2020 (Vengo De Frente Vol I), the work set a trend in the local Canadian scene by earning recognition as **«Revelation Radio Canada 2020- 2021» in the World Music category**, material which, despite being entirely in Spanish, managed to captivate and cross borders positioning MATEO as a **figure in the «Latin New Vibe scene»**.

Six new songs have been added to this first opus to make a complete album of 11 tracks «**Vengo de Frente Vol I & II**» as well as giving a final touch to the sound direction of the project.

In addition to MATEO's distinctive voice, working with the musicians who make up the project has had a major influence on its identity, since the richness and multi-cultural context of Canada has led to the inclusion of Jamaican **Dan Fyah Beats** on drums, Cuban **Hanser Santos Gómez** on percussion, Peruvian/Canadian guitarist **Tito Sono** and Colombian bassist **Diego Cruz Lora**. A mix of ingredients which, **under the production of Leon Yehoudah Perez** (Azul Rojo Music), has managed to incorporate the elements needed to give the final touch to **MATEO's** compositions.



Pochette de l'album « Vengo de Frente Vol I & II » 2023

Vengo de Frente Vol I & II is available on all digital platforms and currently features 11 songs. MATEO are currently working on promoting the album and developing new material for 2024 - 2025.

Pura Candela !



Diego Cruz - Bass



Hanser Santos - Percussion



Dan fyah Beats - Drums



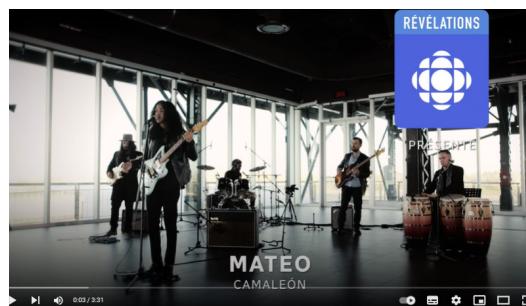
Tito Sono - Guitar



HIGHLIGHTS

- ————— Winner of the Radio Canada «World Music» Revelation Award 2020 - 2021
- ————— Nominated for Album of the Year «Musique du Monde» ADISQ 2020
- ————— Winner of the Singer of the Year Award at the Canada Latin Awards 2020
- ————— Nominated for Album of the Year Canada Latin Awards 2020
- ————— Tour - Spotlight Artist - Showcase CirculArt 2022 (Colombia)
- ————— Tour - Spotlight Artist - Havana World Music (Cuba)
- ————— Spotlight Artist Showcase Mundial Montréal 2020 & 2021
- ————— Spotlight Artist Showcase Global Toronto 2021 & 2022
- ————— Spotlight Artist Showcase RIDEAU 2021
- ————— Spotlight Artist - Showcase MUZ 2022
- ————— Musical performance in 4 TV shows
(Belle et Bum, YAMM, Rallumer les étoiles, La Fabrique Culturelle)
- ————— Musical performance for Canada Day in Montreal 2022
(Mateo, Corneille, Samian, Naomi, Annie Villeneuve, Joseph Edgar)
- ————— Coeur Battante» advertising campaign for the cultural reactivation of Montreal.
In collaboration with the Quartier des Spectacles.

"MATEO VENGO DE FRENTE Vol I & II"



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Year: 2020 - 2022

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