

YASSER

TEJEDA

A portrait of Yasser Tejeda, a Dominican composer, guitarist, vocalist, and producer. He is shown from the chest up, looking upwards and to the right with a slight smile. He has dark, curly hair and is wearing a light blue shirt and a necklace with red and blue beads. The background is a solid blue color.

BIO

Yasser Tejeda is an award-winning Dominican composer, guitarist, vocalist, and producer. According to Billboard, Yasser is giving traditional folkloric music a new spin with jazz, rock, and Caribbean rhythms in "a frenzied celebration of ancestral union" while Juan Luis Guerra, the most influential Dominican artist in the world, praised his mission, calling it a "marvelous example of what's happening with Dominican music." Yasser hopes to incite an awakening so new generations will be inspired to explore, promote and uplift their roots.

Tejeda has released two commercial albums, *Kijombo* (2019) and *Mezclansa* (2009), with his group Palotré. *Mezclansa* was dubbed one of the "100 essential recordings of Dominican music" by the Dominican National Association of Art Writers (Acroarte). His second album *Kijombo* received six awards from Dominican Republic's Premios Indie, including Best Album.

After releasing his first solo acoustic EP, *Interior* (2021), Yasser returned to the studio, and a third album was born. This record, called *La Madrugá*, features his new singles "Tú Ere' Bonita" and "En El Naranjo" and it's scheduled to be released on May 19th, 2023.

LATEST SINGLES



UPCOMING RELEASE: LA MADRUGÁ ALBUM



MUSIC

KIJOMBO (2019)




INTERIOR (2021)



VIDEOS

 [Yasser Tejeda - Tu Ere' Bonita \(Official Video\)](#)



 [Tiny Desk Meets SXSW: Yasser Tejeda](#)



PRESS

The New York Times

“The guitarist Yasser Tejeda led a quartet that was one-half percussion, blending rhythmic traditions from his home country, the Dominican Republic, that are rarely put together.”

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billboard

“Through a frenzied celebration of ancestral union, New York-based singer Yasser Tejeda and his band Palotr  unearth the musical roots of his Dominican Republic.”

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REMEZCLA

“...with Tejeda using these influences to evoke beauty and rhythm into something amazing, resulting in a familiar yet unique sound.”

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npr

“He’s leaning into traditional Merengue, little bit of bachata, it borrows from the tradition of jazz; his own singular style of playing. I can’t wait for the entire album.”

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“Yasser's elegantly polished compositions contain a fascinating, delicate interplay of past and present...”

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“The Dominican alchemists layer elements of congo de Villa Mella, jazz, West African guitars, and soulful scat singing into a living proof of how music is in constant movement and evolution.”

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