



Patricio Molina Ph.D., D.M.A.

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FULL ARTIST BIO

Named "a gifted artist" by the New York Times, Dr. Patricio Molina has gained a reputation as a composer, pianist, and educator. Patricio regularly appears on stages such as Carnegie Hall and OPERA America. Dr. Molina is a Yamaha Artist. The New Jersey Youth Symphony, White Snake Projects, Legacy Arts International, and Ulysses Quartet are among the many artists and institutions who have recognized his talents with commissioned works.

His body of work embraces a wide variety of instrumentation including solo voice and piano, chamber orchestra, brass ensemble, piano trio, opera, and ballet. Inspirations for his compositions include his Chilean-Syrian heritage, mythology, and literature, as well as his experience as an immigrant. Patricio is committed to serving marginalized communities by creating new works in collaboration with other artists from underrepresented groups, performing underrated works, and working toward decolonizing academic research. His accomplishments in the field of arts education have been recognized by the New Jersey Education Association with their prestigious Award for Excellence.

Patricio is in demand as a lecturer on a wide variety of topics including composition, Arabic music, and building inclusion in classical music. He has presented his research and expertise for such events and intuitions such as the College Music Society National Conference, The National Association for Music Education, The New Jersey Music Educators Association, and the Penn State International New-Music Festival and Symposium.

Patricio holds a Master's Degree with distinction from the Manhattan School of Music, a D.M.A. in Piano Performance, and a Ph.D. in Music Composition from Rutgers University. He serves as Director of the Conservatory for Newark School of the Arts, and Music Director at St. Thomas the Apostle Church of Bloomfield, New Jersey. He is co-founder and President of Notes for Growth, a nonprofit foundation that creates access to music education for underprivileged children by donating pianos and other instruments, and also creates performance opportunities for artists from underrepresented groups.

An album of his own compositions for solo piano performed by the composer in collaboration with YAMAHA Artist Studios entitled D.N.A. is now available on all streaming platforms.