

## BenCa Brothers (Alex Bendaña & Pepe Carlos) Composers

From their humble beginnings in South LA to winning a **GRAMMY** with their **band La Santa Cecilia** (the patron saint of musicians) in the **"Best Latin Rock, Urban or Alternative Album"** category for their album *Trienta Días*, Bassist, **Alex Bendaña** and Requinto player and Accordionist, **Jose "Pepe" Carlos** have come a long way as their star continues to rise and shine brighter than ever. The duo, known as the **BenCa Brothers** naturally bonded over musical influences and shared life experiences as immigrants from Mexico and Nicaragua. The **multi-instrumentalist musicians, composers, producers and songwriters**, while deeply rooted in their native cultures, skillfully incorporate their North American musical influences **(Rock, Blues, Jazz, and Hip Hop),** into their creative process when writing tunes. The result is a unique and innovative sound that represents the bicultural duo and defines their award-winning music.

As they continue their musical journey, the **BenCa Brothers** strive to produce music that is not only entertaining but that tells a story through musical expression. Retreating to small towns in Mexico to find writing inspiration is a regular practice for the writing partners who have been **making music together for over a decade.** The experience of reconnecting with their roots through its land, people, food and arts, fuels their creative spirit and feeds their souls. As storytellers, they can capture the essence of their rich culture and illustrate it through music which transcends borders.

The **BenCa Brothers** recently produced the single **With You** by **Hailey Elena**. They have also contributed their musical expertise to several film and television projects including Netflix series *Maya and the Three* and films *Cry Macho and Hope & Soledad*. Additionally, Alex and Pepe have performed, recorded and shared the stage with musical greats including **Alejandro Sanz, Gaby Moreno, Vega, Eugenia Leon,** country artist **Ryan Bingham**, American vocal group **Pentatonix, Elvis Costello, Los Lobos, Jean Paul Jones, Ozomatli** and **Café Tacuba**.

#### FILM CREDITS

Lolo Director: Justin Huen

Hope, Soledad Director: Yolanda Cruz Flor De Luz

Death of A Virgin Josh Minyard **Cry Macho** (additional music) Director: Clint Eastwood Warner Brothers

**Book of Life** (additional music) Director: Jorge R. Gutiérrez 20<sup>th</sup> Century Fox



**Coco** (additional music) Director: Lee Unkrich & Adrian Molina Walt Disney Pictures **Cantinflas** (additional music) Director: Sebastian del Amo Kenio Films

### **TELEVISION CREDITS**

**Victor and Valentino (TV Series)** (additional music) Executive Producers: Diego Molano, Brian A. Miller, Jennifer Pelphrey, Rob Sorcher, Tramm Wizgell, & Sam Register Cartoon Network Studios **Ingobernable (TV Series)** (theme songwriter) Executive Producers: Diego Avalos, Arturo del Río, Erik Barmack, Ana Graciela Ugalde, & Rocio Barajas Netflix

Executive Producers: Jorge R. Gutiérrez Netflix

Maya and the Three (additional music)

#### ALBUMS

LA SANTA CECILIA – Queiro Verte Feliz Recorded/Produced Universal Music Latino

LA SANTA CECILIA – La Santa Cecilia Recorded/Produced Universal Music Latino

MIRIAM RODRIGUEZ – Cicatrices Recorded Performance Universal Music Spain

#### THE BOOK OF LIFE – The Apology Song Interpreted by La Santa Cecilia

Producers: Gustavo Santaolla & Anibal Kerpel

LA SANTA CECILIA – Amar y Vivir Recorded/Produced Universal Music Latino

INGOBERNABLE – Me Veras Songwriter/Composer Netflix

ALEJANDRO SANZ – Sirope Recorded Performance Universal Music Latino LA SANTA CECILIA – Buenaventura Recorded/Produced Universal Music Latino

**RYAN BINGHAM – Fear And Saturday Night** Recorded Performance Lost Highway Records

LA SANTA CECILIA – Someday New Recorded/Produced Universal Music Latino

DAVID BISBAL – Tú Y Yo Recorded Performance Universal Music Group

LA SANTA CECILIA – Treinta Días Recorded/Produced Universal Music Latino

LA SANTA CECILIA – El Valor Recorded/Produced Universal Music Latino

LA SANTA CECILIA – Noche y Citas Recorded/Produced Universal Music Latino

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#### **OTHER WORKS**

TARGET COMMERCIAL – Juntos Together Producer / Arranger

#### **GRAMMY AWARDS**

LA SANTA CECILIA – AMAR Y VIVIR (2018) Nominated, Best Latin Rock or Alternative Album Album Producer

LA SANTA CECILIA – BUENAVENTURA (2017) Nominated, Best Latin Rock or Alternative Album Album Producer

LA SANTA CECILIA – TREINTA DIAS (2014) Won, Best Latin Rock or Alternative Album Album Producer

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#### NATIONALITY

Alex Bendaña: Nicaraguan – Born in Venezuela Pepe Carlos: Mexican – Born in Oaxaca, Mexico

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