

## Ángel Cuyar - Biography

Saxophonist and composer Ángel Cuyar was born in San Juan, Puerto Rico. His first steps in music began in the Dorado municipal band at the age of 8. Later, his passion for jazz was awakened at the Ernesto Ramos Antonini Free School of Music through teacher and percussionist David Rivera. His early exposure to different groups, genres and programs such as the Berklee Summer Jazz Program, served as a platform to complete a Bachelor's Degree in Saxophone Performance in the Jazz and Caribbean Music program of the Puerto Rico Conservatory of Music.

Throughout his career, Cuyar has collaborated with a variety of artists and groups, among which the Quique Talavera Orchestra, Charlie Sepúlveda's Big Band, Cucco Peña, Sophy de Puerto Rico, Fidel Osorio and Pablito "El" stand out. Indio" Rosario, among others. Additionally, Cuyar participated in the conceptualization and development of the Sax Juan saxophone quartet, an ensemble that fuses saxophones with percussion instruments. He was also a founding member of the group XIDO, a fusion group of Mexican music and jazz, with which he achieved several performances thanks to the support of the Mexican consulate in Puerto Rico.

Currently, Cuyar is part of the faculty at the preparatory school of the Puerto Rico Conservatory of Music, where he teaches saxophone, clarinet, flute and theory classes. Furthermore, he is preparing for the release of his first solo album titled "Chapter One", a recording that promises to showcase his versatility and talent as a musician, composer and arranger.

Looking to the future, Cuyar aims to continue his studies at the master's level, specializing in composition in Jazz and popular music. Among his goals are also projects such as Big Bands, recordings and collaborations with independent artists.

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