



Master P

In February, Music Business Worldwide interviewed Master P about the history of No Limit, the growth of hip-hop in the streaming age, and his strategy for Cinq...

What are you motivations for getting back into braking **HIP-HOP talent?**

At No Limit, we were able to sell 100m records independently. Now we're in the independent game again.

Independent artists today can control their product, what they are doing and have an amazing career.

There are artists who are breaking right now that the major companies have never even heard of because of the internet and social media. We want to find that talent and bring it to the world.

What do you look for in artists?

Hard work, talent, uniqueness. I look for belief — what are vou willing to sacrifice to get out there, are you willing to give it your all?

I'm out there looking for hit records - diamonds in the rough. You can make music but you're not in the music

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business until you create a hit record.

What do you make of the current mainstream HIP-**HOP** scene?

[The industry] is only making singles right now. We [at Cinq] want to take it back to the '90s where we made complete albums. I think that's what fans are missing.

If we release four or five

Master P Discusses New Era With Cinq

singles instead of one, an artist is going to be able to get more tours and the fanbase is going to be stronger because people will know more than one song. We're going to give you more bang for your buck.

Going back to your history and lessons learned in the music business, is it true that no limit filed for bankruptcy and you sold the catalogue?

We never sold the catalogue and that bankruptcy thing never was done. It was something a lawyer told us we needed to do but they never actually went through with it.

What were the reasons behind the lawyer making that suggestion?

Whatever needed to be done for business was done and we moved on. We know how to make music, money, records. and we've done thousands of things since then and created hundreds of businesses.

The fact that we've been around for 20 years means we know what we're doing.

Do you have plans to further exploit the no limit catalogue?

something else with No Limit and all the product that we have, but Cing is a new era and that's what we're focusing on.

Who do you most respect in today's music business?

Anybody that's successful. If it makes dollars then it makes sense. If you build a career you are going to outweigh the rapper that thinks he is the best rapper.

What would you change about the music industry and

I would show people how to make this a business and not just get caught up in wanting to be famous.

Everybody wants to be famous until they get the fame and realise they haven't been taking care of their business; by then it's too late because they signed a bad deal and there's no looking back.

Get your business together because talent doesn't last forever. Ask yourself: what kind of brand are you building?

No limit created a trusted brand with its themed album covers and collaborations between artists on the roster. How will you emulate that kind of culture at CINQ?

There's two ways we're looking at this. We want to build the brand to where we We are still looking at doing are able to promote artists together [simultaneously], which nobody is doing right now.

And we want to find global

We're going to think outside the box and create careers through other brands and products and reality TV, movies and sponsorship packages, like tying artists with a Sprint or AT&T.

A lot of the majors are waiting around. We are saying that if we believe in something, let's go to urban radio and break it.

But how are you going to compete at urban radio with the majors?

I'm going to break acts through Pandora and Spotify playlists first, which is where radio is being programmed through now.

We'll take artists on the social internet direction first, so that when we go to radio we have something that's already successful. Everyone wants to be a part of something that's already successful.

Final question... Do you share in the mass optimism about the future of the music business?

That's why I'm holding on to everything I have from the past and I'm creating new music to be a part of it. That will be the payoff.



Dear Team,

In the last newsletter we put forth the idea of a "OneGoDigital" team working together. In years past at our conferences you may have also heard or seen our **Chief Operating Officer** Jay Winship talk about our culture as a cross between that of a pirate ship and a military unit. We are agile, innovative, and scrappy doing more with less like pirates, but we are organized. disciplined, and leave no man or woman behind like a military unit.

Jason Peterson Letter

We take pride in hiring only well-being. Physical, cognitive players and aligning, activating, and enabling them are all connected. They all to achieve their goals and ours. Sometimes life throws us curve balls. While we remain empathetic and hopeful for the greatest outcome, sometimes it becomes nearly impossible for one to perform at work as an 'A' player.

to causing significant general impacts on health, including impaired immune function. adrenal issues, reduced metabolism and other physical maladies, it creates the kind of fatigue that causes a lack of mental clarity, the inability to be creative, to synthesize information and make good decisions. Everyone goes through hard times, and like a professional sports team we value our players and seek to provide them the rehabilitation when they get injured. However, if the player cannot return to the court and play ball after a reasonable period of time we can't continue to field a championship team missing a key player in a key position.

Preventative medicine is a lot more effective than acute care once you're injured. Take care of yourself. Be proactive instead of reactive. Create balance. Find activities and techniques that manage your

and emotional well-being reinforce each other. If you find yourself in repeated patterns in life with negative outcomes, failed relationships, an unhealthy relationship to money, power, food, substance abuse, depression, anxiety or any other challenge, know you can beat any negative Stress literally kills. In addition condition and live in a happy, healthy, and meaningful state.

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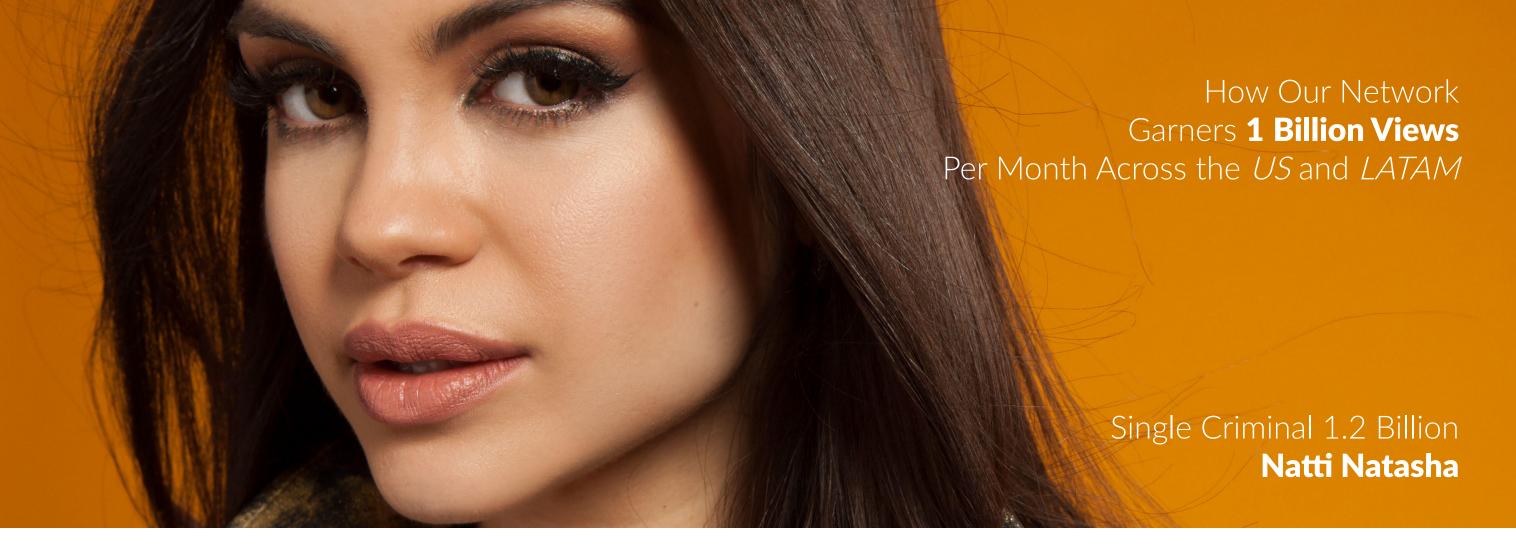
We are all members of a dynamic high-performance team. We are spread around the world and we cover many bases. We wear multiple hats. It's very easy for us to get lost in our work and find the easiest path to coping with stress, including the escape of drinking or smoking, compartmentalization and tabling things for later. We feel initially that we achieve victory by not letting personal needs interfere with our work accomplishments. Let me be crystal clear: achieving work goals at the expense of our personal welfare DOES NOT equate to victory.

If you find yourself facing personal difficulties, please don't hesitate to share them stress and create a sense of with your manager. If you

are a manager please don't hesitate to escalate your team member's needs to upper management. We don't share anything you don't want us to share. You are our all-star team members and we want you to be healthy and we want to win championships together. We will do our best to support you in your time of need. We will not leave you behind.

That said, do the preventative care to ensure it doesn't become an acute problem because, by analogy, once you've blown out your knee you may not be able to play professional basketball anymore. I have provided a list attached to read more about how I have learned to handle my personal challenges and be the best version of myself I can be.





The Multi-Platform Network That is VidaPrimo

VidaPrimo.com internet website garners hundreds of thousands of unique visitors per month. Our website champions Latin Music and its artists.

Vevo - Latin Music video network Vida Primo distributes its library of videos on Vevo. As part of the partnership, VidaPrimo is tasked with managing new Vevo playlists dedicated to the increasingly influential Reggaeton and Latin Trap genres. VidaPrimo

said its videos will be other streaming devices. The distributed across Vevo's desktop and mobile platforms, and smart TVs.

Xumo - VidaPrimo, the premier Latin music video network, partnered with live and ondemand over-the-top (OTT) service XUMO to launch the The new channel is now through smart TV, mobile and on both Roku and Amazon

VidaPrimo channel on XUMO (channel 288) features content as well as gaming consoles from its library of over 8,000 music videos as well as its original programs. It is featured in XUMO's new music vertical, and expands the company's channel offerings to Spanish speaking audiences.

first Latin music video channel Roku and Amazon Fire available on the platform. VidaPrimo distributes its vast library of music-related video available direct to consumers content onto branded channels Fire, two of the world's largest DailyMotion - VidaPrimo content, VidaPrimo took its first foray onto connected television distribution via a reciprocal

Music Choice - Music Choice comScore rated network. and VidaPrimo offer a cocurated playlist highlighting Latin Music's hottest subgenre. content group. It attracts 300 The two music powerhouses will joined forces to bring the billion videos on its player popular underground genre each month. Dailymotion is Latin Trap to TV for the first available around the world in time. Until now, the popular 18 different languages and 35 subgenre of Latin Urban music has only been seen through viral videos, social media and concerts. It has been fueled by artists such as Messiah, Ñengo VidaPrimo Original Content Flow, Bad Bunny, Ozuna, - Every month VidaPrimo Anuel AA and many more.

digital streaming platforms. distributes its music videos and related content onto leading online video platform Dailymotion. Dailymotion agreement with Music Choice. is the latest syndication platform for VidaPrimo's #3 Dailymotion is part of Vivendi, the international media and million users who watch 3.5 localized versions featuring local home pages and local content.

premieres hours of new

including releases from new artists, concerts from your favorite Latin stars, exclusive interviews, in-studio sessions, and other material available anywhere else.

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Billboard Latin Music Week's conference will examine and celebrate today's electric Latin Music industry

The Billboard Latin Music Conference and Awards 2018 will be taking over Las Vegas. And representatives from both Cinq Music and VidaPrimo will be there.

For the first time in its history, Telemundo will broadcast the Billboard Latin Music Awards live from Las Vegas, NV. The show is set to air on Thursday, April 26.

In addition, the Billboard Latin Music Conference will be held in Vegas from April 23 to 25. The 2017 Billboard Latin Conference had amazing panels like "Mano a Mano" with Nicky Jam & J Balvin, Socializing Maluma and Songwriter Q&A with Residente, among many others.



From April 23 - 26, Billboard Latin Music Week 2018 will gather music legends and today's brightest voices at The Venetian in Las Vegas, for a jam-packed week of networking.

Featuring artist chats, new music premieres, informative panels, exclusive listening sessions, explosive showcases and -- of course -- the Billboard Latin Music Awards, you won't want to miss what we've got up our sleeves. For press inquiries, lodging and sponsorships, please visit BillboardLatinConference. com.

What to look for at the Awards Show

While there are plenty of huge names on the list such as

Shakira, J Balvin and Maluma, there's also a handful of Latin newcomers receiving recognition thanks to the new artist of the year award.

The category is a total big-up to Mexico this year, save for Puerto Rican trap sensation Bad Bunny. Now signed to Sony through Rancho Humilde Records, Tijuana quintet Alta Consigna finished 2017 with a No. 1 debut album on Billboard's Regional Mexican Albums chart. El Fantasma (the Ghost) emerged "king of the underground" for regional Mexican, while a voung Christian Nodal delivered vintage románticas in a passionate debut album with Me Dejé Llevar. Then there's El Coneio Malo, who became the poster child for Latin trap in 2017, all without a proper debut album.



Pics : Cortesy of billboard



Cinq Music Inks Distribution Deal With Rancho Humilde

Cinq Music has inked a worldwide distribution deal with Rancho Humilde, one of Mexican music's hottest indie record labels. The announcement was made by Rancho founder Jimmy Espinoza and Cinq co-founder Barry Daffurn.

Rancho Humilde established a strong reputation for developing new talent, bringing "Corridos Urbanos" to the world and signing Alta Consigan, nominated for 2018 Billboard's New Artist Of The Year. Rancho artists on Pandora's Top 20 Trendsetters list include El De La Guitarra and Arsenal Efectivo.

About Cing Music:

Cinq Music is a technologydriven record label. music distribution, rights management company and part of the GoDigital Media Group. Cing's repertoire includes multiple Grammy wins, dozens of RIAA certifications. numerous number one Latin Urban and Tropical Billboard singles, and was nominated for Latin Rhythm Label of The Year at the 2016 Latin Billboards. http://www.cinqmusic.com



Read more about Rancho lumilde's recent news

Rancho Humilde artist Alta Consigan on Billboard New Artist of the Year

https://www.billboard. com/articles/events/latinawards/8210739/billboardlatin-music-awards-2018new-artist-of-the-year-poll

Rancho Humilde artists El De La Guitarra and Arsenal Efectivo on Pandora Top 20 trendsetters list https://www.billboard. com/articles/events/latinawards/8210739/billboardlatin-music-awards-2018new-artist-of-the-year-poll

Rancho Humilde artist Arsenal Efectivo on Pandora Artist to watch in 2018 http://blog.pandora.com/us/ latin-artists-to-watch-2018/



AdShare. leading monetization service for music. film, television and sports rights holders, continues its international growth with the addition of Xelon Entertainment, Australia's premier digital music distributor. AdShare will help Xelon maximize its Australian music scene to the world, notably electronic dance music. This marks AdShare's first foray into both Australia and New Zealand. AdShare is already active in the US, Asia, Russia and India, with representation and offices in sixteen countries worldwide.

"Dance music is massive across the world," says AdShare Vice President of Sales Steve Scott. "Double digital growth for the music, clubs and festivals. We're excited about expanding into Australia with Xelon, one of the best digital music distributors to be found anywhere."

"It's about expanding our global operations," says Xelon's Marketing and Distribution Manager (N. America) Jon Lemmon, "AdShare gives us another opportunity to globalize all our artists." Representing over 150

ADSHARE TO HELP GLOBALIZE XELON ENTERTAINMENT

worldwide, Xelon has become monetization and for existing an invaluable asset to the Australian music scene.The distribution company has overseen the growth and of numerous expansion Australian artists, many of whom have worked with Xelon from the start. Headquartered in Melbourne, Xelon is known for its expertise in the dance music sphere.

About AdShare:

AdShare is the leading social media monetization service for music. film. television. and sports rights-holders. It brings together a technology oriented multi-disciplinary approach to monetizing fan engagement online.

AdShare's offerings include

YouTube Partners. most robust and effective AdShare. Optimization service on the market - generating

labels both domestic and providing full service YouTube substantial new revenue for its clients.

> Engaging fans. Monetizing brands.



AUSTRALIA'S PREMIER DIGITAL MUSIC DISTRIBUTION COMPANY

New Zealand.

Since 2007, Entertainment has become enrich their results. invaluable to the Australian music scene. Working with Our professional team of clients to maximise outcomes. Xelon has overseen the growth since their infancy to establish record labels.

Representing over 150 labels, With unparalleled experience, marketing, digital strategy and both domestic and worldwide. expertise and invaluable Xelon is Australia's premier contacts in the dance music digital music distributor with sphere, Xelon boasts an array a reputation for delivering a of distinguished clients such comprehensive and flexible as Central Station Records, service across Australia and Neon Records, Ministry Of Sound Australia. LNG music and Bush Records, all of whom Xelon have used Xelon's services to

experts are based in the heart of Melbourne's thriving music and expansion of labels such scene and are fully equipped as Sweat It Out and Onelove, to provide a comprehensive who have worked with Xelon range of services to suit your release, covering everything themselves as world-class from basic distribution, video monetization, through to

label services.

regularly We attend music international conferences such as MIDEM. ADE, IMS as well as territory based ones such as Big Sound, EMC and Face The Music. Our staff members regularly appear on panels, and we are considered leaders in the industry.

"Since 2007, Xelon **Entertainment has** become invaluable to the Australian music scene"

A Few Words From Paola Colmenares

"... The first quarter of 2018 has been very important for the growth and development of Vidaprimo and Cing Music. In this season we have already begun to see the result of two years of constant work, two years of management, from design and implementation for the two companies to start operating in Latin America ...

Today we have a infrastructure that respond to the needs of customers, which differentiates us from the competitors in the market. When we started to work in Colombia, Vidaprimo was hardly an idea that we have been developing little by little. We currently have a highlevel work team, consisting of a staff with more than 20 years of experience in the entertainment and music industry.

Today we are Vidaprimo, we are LATINOS DE CORAZÓN, we have Cinq Music Latino and we speak in Spanish, this has allowed us to show the client and the industry that they can count on a new and close company; with the added value of presenting different, concrete and solid proposals. We have become an important component in the Latin American music industry and the world.



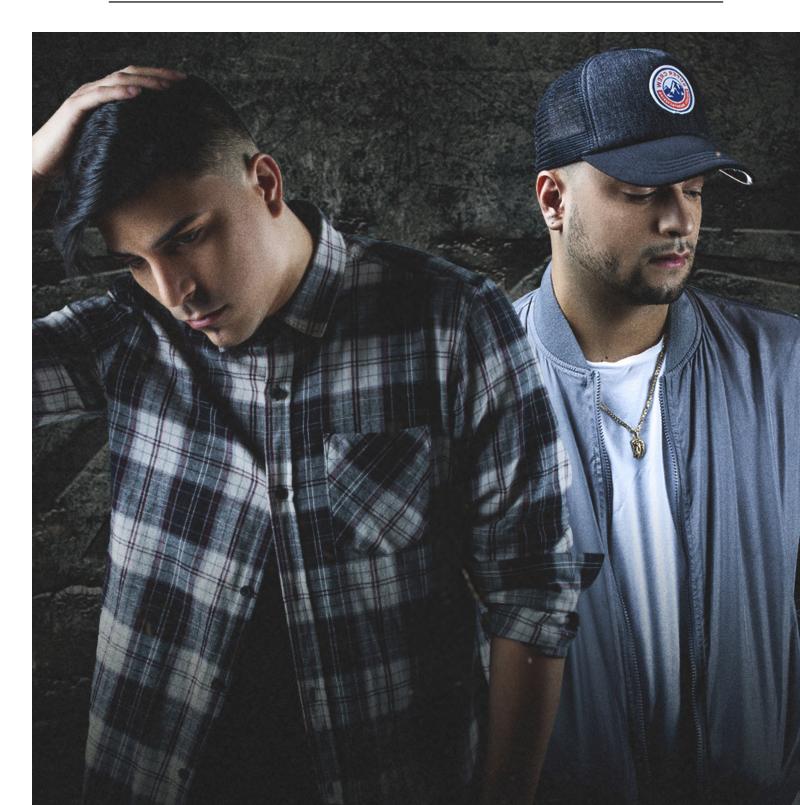
expansion of territories.

Content Manager and the present and show." marketing manager we have recovered our clients and artists, we have convinced them that we are a renewed company that speaks the same language, which has allowed us to approach their real needs. We have also achieved outstanding visibility; we have had presence in markets and high level music events; as sponsors and managers in the BOMM, Bogotá Music Market and in the Latin Billboard, now we are going to start

We operate everything from being a presence as Vidaprimo Bogotá, and from here we and Cinq with our catalogs start the next phase that is the and artists in the national and international markets ... we have gone from being Thanks to the hard work of distributors to being a label, a great team; the A&R's, the we have our own content to

Vidaprimo Partnews With **Kapital Music**

After 6 months of conversations in Latin America, Colombia closes negotiations with KAPITAL MUSIC, becoming a partner of Cinq Music and Vidaprimo as of April of this year. Today we are Co-owners of 50% of the most important ASSETS in the Kapital Music catalog.



The Company Grows And New Talents Enter To Form Part Of The VidaPrimo And Cinq Music Team



Felipe Bustos Operations/Designer

Multimedia Engineer where I learned about graphic design, 3D animation, modeling, special effects and photo retouching. When I finished my studies I made a multimedia project, which was an Interactive Installation with audiovisuals and music. With some friends we created a collective where we carry out multimedia projects, which include, web pages, videos, 3D modeling, apps, etc. I also Studied Professional Photography and developed several photographic proposals in Bogota and Chile.

I appreciate the opportunity to work for Vidaprimo, improve my performance in the different digital arts, grow as a professional, and do my best job in the company.



Gabriela Rodriguez Designer

I am a graphic designer, lover of art, technology and music, I am connected all the time with the new things that the world brings us day by day. I have worked in image design for bands, advertising for an independent radio station and other small companies. I am willing to learn, polish my work and support everyone who needs it.

My goal is to leave part of my essence to wherever I go, always take the best from all sides and always improve the flaws I find. I like sports, to travel and gastronomy.



Juan Manuel Castañeda Ejecutivo De Cuenta

Juan Manuel has more than 18 years of experience in media. He worked on the television channels of Casa Editorial El Tiempo (City TV and El Tiempo TV). He led various areas (financial, marketing, content, product and sales), developing important business alliances, generating new business and building brand awareness.

Juan Manuel worked more than 2 years at CÍVICO digital company as SMB Director, leading the mass channel, the resale model and seeking commercial alliances with strategic partners. Creative, business developer, businessman, financier and marketer of media.



Juliana Otero Digital Content and Marketing Analyst

Social communicator with emphasis in Television. Master in Film Production Design and Audiovisual Media. I have worked as a producer in Television Channels (Caracol TV, RCN TV, City TV and Tele Islas) and I have also produced video clips of musical groups. I have made music festivals and I have been part of the production and tour management team of renowned Colombian festivals such as: Rock al Parque, Iberoamerican Theater Festival and Stereo Picnic Festival in several of its editions.

Business Administrator with an emphasis in Music, at

the Universidad de los Andes I completed my internship

at ProColombia, specifically in the marketing area. I

really enjoyed my practice and it helped me discover

that marketing is something I like a lot. I am passionate

about music, entertainment and the creative industries in

general. Currently I work at VidaPrimo as a digital content

and marketing analyst. In which I hope to learn a lot about

the dynamics of the music industry and develop both

professionally and personally.

I love traveling and doing public relations with everything related to music. I have had the opportunity to attend various music markets all over the world: Womex, (Europe) LAMC (USA), MAMA (France), Medimex (Italy), Music Market VIC (Spain), BOMM (Colombia) among others, only and as coordinator of the Colombian delegation through the Ministry of Culture and Idartes (District Institute of Arts of the Mayor's Office of Bogotá).



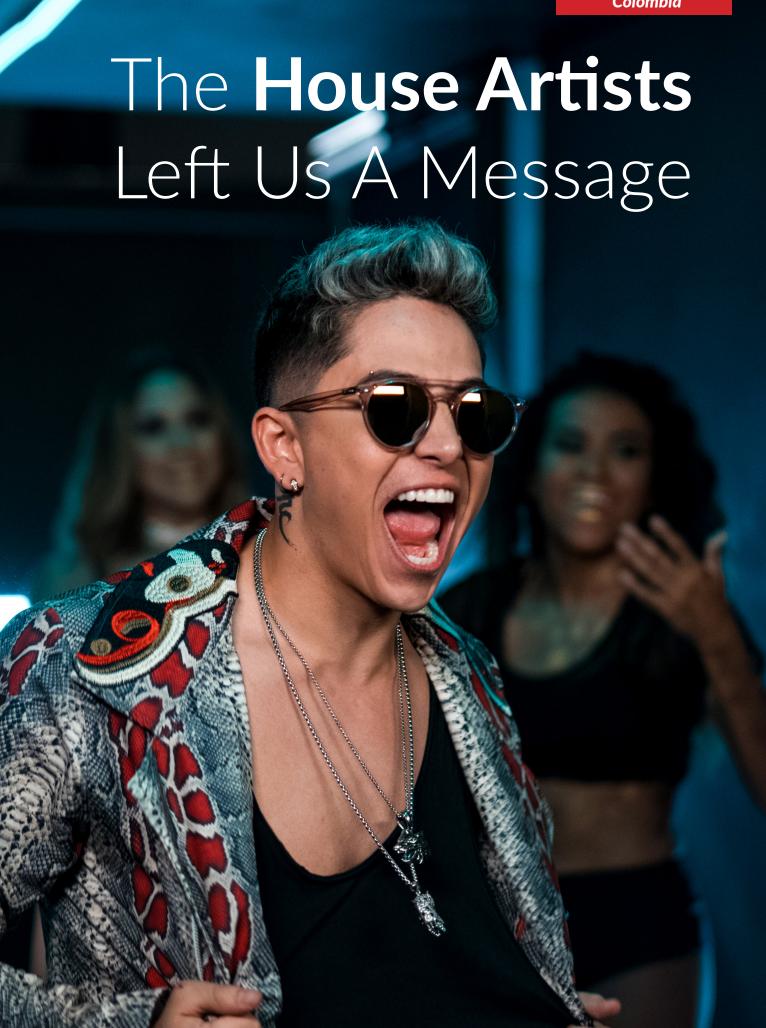
Maria Clara Espinel PR and Press LATAM

Teacher, Musician, composer, Sound Engineer and Specialist in Multimedia Creation, SEM, SEO, Google Adwords, Digital Comerce, and Online Marketing Strategies.

15 years of experience in the area of music in its different scenarios (Live sound, music production, soundtrack composition) and 10 years of experience in multimedia content and educational platforms. I have developed educational, interactive, videogames and participated in all types of musical and audiovisual projects. Passionate about music, programming, arts, research and mathematics.



Andrés Jimenez Marketing Director LATAM

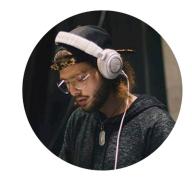




A very cordial and special greeting for all the team of VidaPrimo and Cinq Music around the world ... for me it is are the best at what they do an honor and privilege to have such a professional team and a big infrastructure as you are. I have had the opportunity to get to know the process, the human quality and the talent shortcomings and give you of Cinq Music and VidaPrimo very closely, I can assure you that there is talent, talent of a team that is very humane, passion, talent of desire and that every day encourages me



you anywhere, but a team effort and with people who and above all who believe in you and who support you who give you that hug and hold you by the hand and they start to guide you in all your advice ... That means for me Cing Music and VidaPrimo,



An individual job never takes My relationship with Cinq and VidaPrimo extends far beyond digital distribution and numbers, growth is really linked to the growth of Arguello as an artist and producer, it has been a great learning, going to Los Angeles to meet so many people, puerto rico etc ... It has been a growth both in the Anglo and Latin contexts, it is a growth beyond just numbers ... it is a growth as an artist, thank you

ANDY RIVERA

KELLY **CARDENAS**

ARGUELLO

love for work. I feel honored to feel this intimate and professional connection with the whole team, I thank you for staying up late, for working day and night, giving the best of you, not only in my project but in the project of Many colleagues ... Thank you.

to be a better artist for them ... that they feel proud of me especially that they help you with many alternatives in this industry that already by itself alone is complicated .. so thank you very much to VidaPrimo and Cing Music for coming to my life and thank you to my team ... you do not know how nice is to walk with people who know in this way



VidaPrimo And Cinq Attend Their First "Choliseo"

With the purpose of heightening and improving our image and relations with our artists and in its YouTube channel. industry agents in Puerto Rico, Vidaprimo and first Choliseo (Colosseum) in March, and we had the opportunity to deliver official YouTube in their respective YouTube channels. plaques to:

- Ñengo flow for reaching the million subscribers
- Cinq Music accompanied Nengo Flow to its Darell, De la Ghetto and El Super Nuevo for reaching more than 100 thousand subscribers





We Were Present At The Latin Billboard In Bogotá

The VidaPrimo team at the Red Carpet of the Billboard Latin Music ShowCase in Bogotá Colombia, covering the event and doing brand presence.



