## **Oliver Miguel Gonzalez**



"Oliver Miguel has the best party band in Calgary!" - 2018, Christian Grefenstein producer of: Lilac Festival, Taste of Calgary, Fiestaval)

"He's a contemporary artist, he's a multi-instrumentalist and if you ever seen him perform, it's quite amazing actually! - 2018, Jesse Mofatt - director of exhibits at the National Music Centre

"Oliver Miguel is a star in the making. He is an outstanding Artist who brings everything to his performances...whether he is working as a single performer, or presenting a full party band. - 2019, Fred Thoutenhoofd - Music Company Entertainment – talent agency since 1983

"Oliver Miguel has a unique way of connecting with his audience on a personal level. You go to see a performance, but you get a full experience of musical mastery!" - 2019, Niels Hagen – Manager and events at Arts Commons

"...one of those rare beasts, a young, working, full-time local musician with many creative outlets and many opportunities to do what he so loves."

- 2014, Mike Bell - Calgary Herald

"...a combination of great technique, beautiful sound and an innovative melting pot of musical influences."

- 2013, Phil Dwyer – Juno award winner and Member of the Order Of Canada

Oliver Miguel's performances simply put, create an unforgettable experience. He always brings an all-star cast with him, and creates a show that appeals to a broad audience. Oliver has performed throughout Canada, USA, Latin America, Europe, Asia and the Caribbean to perform as a leader, a musical director, and as an in-demand session player. Oliver Miguel has recorded on countless albums, while making special appearances on Global Television, CBC, CityTV, TLN, Shaw and various radio programs in Canada, Asia and Spain. Oliver is also a recent inductee at the Canadian National Music Centre, named "Alberta Trail Blazer". – Full biography available upon request

## **Notable Past Performances & Accomplishments**

Aug 2019 – Awarded a certificate of appreciation for "Outstanding Cultural Contribution" from Hispanic Arts Society of Canada.

Nov 2018 – Honoured as an ALBERTA TRAILBLAZER in a new exhibit by the National Music Centre alongside a handful of artists including:

Paul Brandt, Tegan & Sara, and Lidsay Ell.

2018 – Three sold out Oliver Miguel concerts at the Engineered Air Theatre in Arts Commons in Calgary.

2018 – Performed in 12 music Festivals, 46 weddings, 27 corporate events, as a sideman and/or featured artist.

Oct 2017 – Flown to Vancouver to perform/tour with Roger Hodgson (Supertramp).

Feb 2017 – Featured Performed at the Jack Singer Concert Hall with Australian Aboriginal "Black Arm Band"

Nov 2016 – Oliver Miguel Opening act for Dee Dee Bridgewater at the Jack Singer Concert Hall May–June 2016 – DJD chosen session musician for the Theatre Production "New Universe" - with musical director William Parker from NYC. Auditions across Canada were held, and was selected to be in the 5 piece band/production.

October 2015 – Self produced concert "Oliver Miguel - Imagine" at the Orpheus Theatre in Calgary August 2015 – Featured Artist at the Expo Latino in Calgary, Canada

August 2015 – Special Guest with World-Fusion band Cumako at the Kaslo Jazz Festival

June 2015 – Three concerts in Mexico City as Special Guest for the Esteban Herrera Quartet

June 2015 – Canadian New Thought Conference, Musical Director in Toronto.

May 2015 – Flemenco Concert in Prague (Czech Republic), with Fiona Malena Ensemble.

April 2015 – Two Sold-Out Concerts at Wine-ohs Featuring the Flamenco Project INFUSION

Feb 2015 – Showcased at the Folk Alliance International Conference in Kansas City.

Sep–Oct–Nov 2014 – Toured 46 concerts across Canada with Ellen Doty Quartet

August 2014 – Special Guest Performer for Oscar Lopez at the Calgary Expo Latino Festival

August 2014 – Featured article in the Calgary Herald about his life as a full-time Artist

May 2014 – Co-Producer/Composer/Arranger/ for Jazz-Pop album 'Gold' by Ellen Doty

January 2014 – First Canadian Saxophonist to be asked to endorse SeaWind Phil Dwyer Edtion Saxophones

September 2013 – Produced the 3rd annual Calgary International Flamenco Festival

August 2013 – Performed with Grammy Award winner Elvis Crespo

August 2013 – Opened for Grammy Award winner Gilberto Santa Rosa

July 2013 – Western Canada Tour with Jazz Vocalist Ellen Doty

June 2013 – Headlined the Lethbridge Jazz Festival

May 2013 – Coordinated and directed Jerry Rivera's Canadian Tour

September 2012 – Produced the 2nd Calgary International Flamenco Festival

September 2012 – Performed at the Vancouver International Flamenco Festival

April 2012 – Performed at the SAM Awards with Groove Academy

September 2011 – Produced the first annual Calgary International Flamenco Festival

June/July 2011 – Toured extensively in Europe with Puerto Flamenco company

March 2011 – Performed with world renowned Cuban pianist Hilario Duran

August 2010 – Released second album as a leader, "Aire"

April 2010 – Traveled from Spain to Canada with Fiona Malena Flamenco ensemble to perform

March 2010 - Performed with Ric Fierabracci for a Jaco Pastorious Tribute in Canada

February 2010 – Alberta Foundation for the Arts project grant recipient

August 2009 – Performed after Huey Dunbar at the Calgary Expo Latino with his 12-piece Salsa Orchestra

July 2009 – British Columbia/Alberta tour with world fusion band Cumako

August 2008 – Oliver Miguel Orchestra performed with Spanish Harlem Orchestra at Expo Latino. June 2007- Headline performer in the Calgary Jazz Festival

2007 – Performed 6 nights a week for 8 months in Hong Kong with singer Janelle Monique

2007 – Produced/arranged/recorded Jazz-Soul album for singer Janelle Monique

2006 – Toured 7 months in USA and Canada as lead Saxophonist for Garden Brother Circus

2005–2006 – Performed with quartet on Celebrity Cruises

August 2005 – Performed at a private event for his Royal Highness Prince Philip

July 2005 – Performed at Montreal Jazz Festival with World-Beat group Plan-C

April 2004 – Worked/performed with Michael Brecker in Toronto (Humber College)

June 2004 – Opened for Chris Potter at the Calgary Jazz Festival

April 2004 – Performed with Hilario Duran Ensemble and special guest Jane Bunnett August 2003 – Released first album entitled Esperanza

April 2003 – Performed for Canadian Prime Minister Jean Chretien

2002 – Recorded with Juno award winner Manuel Jara for his Flamenco fusion album

2000–2008 – Performed annually for New Years Eve at the Banff Springs Hotel