# JAVIER NERO

## TROMBONIST | COMPOSER | ARRANGER

Javier Nero is a jazz trombonist, composer, and arranger whose musicianship is already receiving significant recognition. Mr. Nero has won first place in 4 international jazz solo competitions including the 2011 International Trombone Association's Carl Fontana Competition, the ITA's 2013 JJ Johnson Competition, the 2014 American Trombone Workshop National Jazz Solo Competition, and most recently the 2015 Texas State Trombone Symposium Jazz Trombone competition.

Currently Miami based, Javier is busy as both a sideman and bandleader in the greater south Florida area. He has collaborated and recorded with multiple Grammy award winning trumpeters/composers Brian Lynch and John Daversa, as well as local staples in the jazz community such as Martin Bejerano, Errol Rackipov, Felipe Lamoglia, Tal Cohen, and Jean Caze. Javier has also held the lead trombone position in the award winning Frost Concert Jazz Band at the University of Miami.

His classical training and versatility have enabled him to perform in various styles and genres alike, ranging from small jazz combos, to symphony orchestras. Nero is also a member of the award winning Haitian band "KLASS" which tours the US, Canada, the Caribbean, South America, and France regularly.

Javier's compositions and arrangements have also earned various awards and accolades including Downbeat Magazine's Student Music Awards, participation in the Betty Carter Jazz Ahead Program, and the Banff Centre's international workshop in jazz and creative music. Multiple Grammy award-winning trumpeter Brian Lynch calls Nero's compositions: " modern, sophisticated yet accessible, pleasing the player and listener alike". Javier currently leads and performs with 2 of his own ensembles: "The Javier Nero Septet" and the "Javier Nero Jazz Orchestra" which perform regularly in the Coral Gables and Miami area. He has also written compositions and arrangements that were performed by the Frost Symphony Orchestra, the Concert Jazz Band, Studio Jazz Orchestra, Jazz Vocal 1, Extensions, The Juilliard Jazz Orchestra, The Henry Mancini Institute Orchestra, the Knoxville Jazz Orchestra and many more.

Nero currently holds a Bachelor of Music degree from the Juilliard School, a Master of Music from University of Miami in Studio/Jazz Writing, and recently graduated in May, 2017 with a Doctor of Musical Arts degree with a cognate (minor) in classical trombone performance at the Frost School of Music at the University of Miami.

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