

# LEONARDO

## THE SPACE PIANIST

PIANIST  
COMPOSER  
AEROSPACE ENGINEER



### BIOGRAPHY

Leonardo Barilaro is a pianist, composer and aerospace engineer. And he will play the first piano concert on Mars.

His compositions can be described as Contemporary Space Music, where he merges piano solo, prepared piano, synths and embedding a wide range of experimentations.

Born in Venice, Italy, Leonardo Barilaro discovers the piano at the age of 6 and astronomy at 9. At the age of 12, by reading Isaac Asimov, playing Beethoven and Bach, listening to Queen, Steve Vai and Robert Miles, he decided he would travel the Space and play his music outside planet Earth. So, he became a professional pianist AND an aerospace engineer. The Journey of Leonardo hit important milestones to reach his Dream. As a pianist he graduated from the Music Conservatory in Italy, studying composition and developing his passion for synths and electronic music. He was mentored by Jordan Rudess, Dream Theater's keyboardist. In the meanwhile, he graduated with a PhD in Aerospace Engineering at the University of Padova, researching on hypervelocity impacts and space safety. During those years he did a concert at the ESRANGE Space Center in cold Sweden while taking part in his first space mission with the SCRAT Project. He recorded four studio albums, five EPs and several singles, with always new music in the flow. He played in several countries like Italy, Germany, UK, Netherlands, UAE, France and Turkey.

Leonardo teamed up with many world-class artists during the years, like Yossi Sassi, Mariangela Demurtas, Marco Minnemann, Aliko Chrysochou, Victoria Kryukova and Anna Utopia Giordano. In 2022 Leonardo Barilaro embarked on a yearlong journey with his project "Space Piano Music Everyday". The Space Pianist releases every single day a new track on Spotify and all main music digital distribution platforms, with the related videoclip. The inspiration for this venture originates from his mantra, Nulla Die Sine Nota – Not a day without a note. In Art there are no shortcuts and everyday Leonardo takes a new step forward his Dream, wishing to bring on Mars with him also the people closest to his music.

His composition "Maleth" was onboard the International Space Station, after the successful launch from Cape Canaveral on 14th July 2022 with the SpaceX CRS25 mission!

"Maleth", is the ancient Phoenician term for Malta, and the idea of bringing the music is space has risen from the desire of inspiring people and spread awareness about this new era for mankind, on the path of becoming a multi-planetary species.

Leonardo, known as the Space Pianist, as next step is planning to go to Space and stream a concert directly from there.

*"After teaming up with Space X, Malta's 'Space Pianist' Leonardo Barilaro will live up to his namesake by streaming a symphony directly from the International Space Station." - Lovin Malta*

*"A melody for the stars: Malta's 'Space Pianist' music to be streamed from space" - Times of Malta*

*"With his unique brand of atmospheric piano and minimal electronic compositions, his music reflects the vast expanse and sense of unknown that his interstellar aspirations represent." - Plastic Mag UK*

*"Italian talented pianist Leonardo Barilaro revolutionizes the avant-garde by taking us into space" - European Indie Music Magazine*

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