

Draco Rosa Bio

Draco Cornelius Rosa, also known as Robi Draco Rosa, Draco Rosa or simply Draco, is a multiple-time Grammy and Latin Grammy winning American-born Puerto Rican musician, singer, songwriter, composer, multi-instrumentalist, dancer, record producer and entrepreneur.

Rosa originally garnered fame as a member of boy band Menudo in the 1980s. After leaving the band he moved to Brazil where he released two albums, achieving mainstream success. Afterwards he moved to California and formed the band Maggie's Dream, which split after only one album, allowing him to resume his solo career. The singer and composer has released several studio and experimental albums, and has composed/produced multiple songs for major artists.

In 1996 he released the critically acclaimed Latin alternative rock album Vagabundo produced by Phil Manzanera, just before helping launch Ricky Martin's musical career into a new global setting with the album "Vuelve". Rosa wrote and produced various of Martin's hit singles including "Maria", "Living la Vida Loca", "La Copa de la Vida", "She Bangs", among many others.

In April 2011, Rosa was diagnosed with non-hodgkins lymphoma. This kept Rosa in a hiatus for a few years until his return in March 2012, when he started recording his award winning album "Vida" along side artists such as Juan Luis Guerra, Rubén Blades, Enrique Bunbury among others. In December 2012, he was declared cancer-free. After a very successful "Vida" tour in 2013, on December 9, 2013, his cancer had relapsed and was later overcome, becoming cancer free once again after a second (allogenic) bone marrow transplant.

Taking some time off to ground himself in his native Puerto Rico, Draco took advantage of this new awakening to write "El Secreto de La Vida A Base de Plantas", with friend and renown nutritionist Nina Niessen. The book became an Amazon.com Top Seller in 2015, and a must read in Alternative Medicine literature. Also, Phantom Vox, his legendary recording studio, was relocated from Los Angeles to his 100 acre estate in Puerto Rico, 'Hacienda Horizonte', where his coffee brand "Café Horizonte" became a premium export brand, acknowledged among national and international coffee growers.

In recent months Draco created a new local coffee brand in Puerto Rico called "Draco Rosa 100% Cafe de Puerto Rico" which directly impacts the local economy by increasing employment on the island and contributing to the growth of local coffee farming. He also created the Vox Forte Alliance, a foundation that strives to educate, create awareness and give support to stem cell transplant patients.

Career Highlights

- [Draco Rosa inducted into the 2016 Latin Songwriters Hall of Fame](#)
- [Draco Rosa's 2016 tour highlighted by Billboard](#)
- [Draco Rosa featured in Latin Times](#)