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MUSIC PRODUCER, ARRANGER, SONGWRITER
COMPOSER, KEYBOARDIST



BIO

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As a **Grammy Voting Member, Music Producer, Arranger, Songwriter, Composer and Keyboardist**, Vahagn Stepanyan has worked with some of the biggest names in the world of music.

Born in Yerevan, Armenia, Vahagn's musical journey started at the early age of eight when he was enrolled into a music school for classical piano lessons. Vahagn's quest carried him from Yerevan Tchaikovsky High School, a special school for music, on to Yerevan Komitas State Conservatory where he earned a bachelor's degree in classical music. Following his graduation from conservatory, Vahagn began composing, arranging and recording soundtracks for films. At an early age Vahagn's musical passions and endeavors gave him the experience he needed to compose music and write songs for famous artists.

Vahagn's musical giftedness has been recognized by Grammy Award-Winning artists and well-known musicians across the world.

Throughout the years Vahagn has collaborated with a host of artists from over 30 countries through studio work, tours and writing including Daft Punk's "Get Lucky" Bassist **Nathan East** (Grammy Nominated), **Eric Marienthal** (Grammy Award Winning Saxophonist), **Danielle Withers** (Justin Timberlake, Ariana Grande, Doja Cat), **Eric Moore** (Drummer of Eros Ramazzotti), **Henrik Linder** (Dirty Loops Bassist), **Melvin Lee Davis** (Music Director of Chaka Khan), **Mark Lettieri** (Snarky Puppy), **Cheryl Porter** (Singer, Vocal Coach), **Richie Gajate Garcia** (Sting), **Ida Nielsen** (Prince), **Percy Bady** (Toni Braxton), Grammy Award Winning Producer and Engineer **Nahuel Bronzini** (Fantastic Negrito), **Ricky Kej** (Grammy Award Winning Composer, Producer) and many other incredible artists and engineers.

Vahagn is collaborating with world-class engineers such as **Evren Gökna**r (Capitol Studios), **Lu Diaz** (DJ Khaled, Pitbull), **Luke Pimentel** (Warner Bros.) and **Randy Merrill** from Sterling Sound (Taylor Swift, Ariana Grande, Dua Lipa, Lady Gaga).

Vahagn resides in Los Angeles, CA with his wife Karine and two children.

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

2011 Grammy Nominated artist Carolyn Malachi's Beautiful Dreamer was featured on FOX 5 DC Morning News where Vahagn was featured on piano.

2012 Featured on Mathew Shell's album titled "Freedom", which was launched by the Recording Academy via a Worldwide Exclusive First Listen at GRAMMY.com. The album was also featured as one of Generation Bass' Top Albums for 2012.

2013 Produced The Ethnos Project Volume One, the first of a collection of multiethnic/multicultural music recordings that capture more of a world beat & global music vibe. Volume One includes nine languages: English, Tagalog, Mandarin, Swahili, Farsi, Japanese, Spanish, Korean and Estonian. The Ethnos Project was recorded in four different countries (Armenia, Venezuela, Estonia and USA). In 2014 it was also featured and reviewed in Worship Leader Magazine, a prominent American publication.

2015 Vahagn self-produced his debut album "Moonlight". It infuses the musical styles of Smooth Jazz, R&B and Funk with the talents of artists from USA, Brazil, Armenia, Thailand, Israel, Turkey and Germany. "Moonlight" mixed by one of the greatest mixing engineers Alen Konakoğlu. Grammy-Winning mastering engineer Evren Gökner at Capitol Studios (Hollywood, CA) mastered "Moonlight", making this recording a top global music project indeed. In 2015 "Moonlight" was submitted to The Recording Academy in consideration for the 58th Annual Grammy Awards in the Contemporary Instrumental Album category.

At the end of 2015 Vahagn produced The Ethnos Project Volume Two which includes fourteen different languages (English, Zulu, Portuguese, Tagalog, Vietnamese, Spanish, Japanese, Shona, Xhosa, Tsonga, Chinese, Korean, German, Portuguese) and includes musicians from six different countries (Armenia, Turkey, USA, Brazil, Venezuela, Netherlands).

2017 By the request of world-leading maker of audio plugins Waves Audio, Vahagn created presets for favorite plugins 'Renaissance' bundle including RVerb; REQ2; REQ4; REQ6, Clavinet and Electric 200 Piano. Vahagn also created some presets for IK Multimedia's first physically modeled bass virtual instrument MODO Bass. Today these plugins are the first choice for many Grammy-winning mixing engineers, music producers, musicians and sound designers.

In 2017, Vahagn got an invitation from Waves Audio to do instrument's demos and presentations at NAMM Show with the industry's top producers, engineers and musicians including Andrew Scheps, Infected Mushrooms, Billy Bush, Butch Vig, Chris Lord-Alge, Dave Audé, Eddie Kramer, Greg Wells, Jack Joseph Puig, Lu Diaz, Manny Marroquin, Tony Maserati and Shaun Martin. At various NAMM shows Vahagn had a pleasure of doing presentations for GruvGear, Soundbrenner, UVI, Waves Audio, 64Audio and performed at NAMM Nissan Grand Plaza Stage. Vahagn is also managing the post-production of Melvin Lee Davis' (Chaka Khan's musical director & bassist) music videos.

2018 Vahagn produced The Ethnos Project Volume 3 where he collaborated with the global inspirational recording artist Eric Lige. This project went on to receive recognition at the triennial Urbana Student Conference attended by over ten thousand university students from nearly 100 nations.

2019 Vahagn and "Stepanyan Studios" featured in Arista Records/Sony Music singer Armaan Malik's "Tootey Khaab" Music Video by T-Series which passed over 55 million views on YouTube.

2020 Vahagn worked with Grammy, Dove, BMI Award Winning singer, songwriter and producer Percy Bady by arranging keyboards on "Whole World" song. It's been released on "Hope Anthology" album which features songs composed from artists, such as: Grammy® Award-Winning recording artist Fred Hammond, 9-time Grammy Winner Mary J Blige, hip-hop artist Tia P. and others. Percy Bady co-write the mega hit song "I believe I can fly".



HIGHLIGHTED MUSIC VIDEOS (Written, Arranged, Produced by Vahagn Stepanyan)



“Motion” [Vahagn Stepanyan, Eric Moore, Ida Nielsen, Roy Ziv, Tolga Bilgin, Anil Şalliel, Hasan Gözetlik, Alen Konakoglu]



“Without Limits” [Vahagn Stepanyan, Mark Lettieri, Anthony Crawford, Richie Gajate Garcia, Eric Moore, Jack Thammarat, Alen Konakoglu, Randy Merrill]



“So Good” [Vahagn Stepanyan, Eric Moore, Melvin Lee, William Johnson, Feodor Dosumov, Alen Konakoglu, Randy Merrill]



“Revolution” [Vahagn Stepanyan, Cleverson Silva, Feodor Dosumov, Wojtek Pilichowski, Alen Kongakolu, Evren Goknar]



“Moonlight” [Vahagn Stepanyan, Cleverson Silva, Melvin Lee, Adam Hawley, Eric Marienthal, Alen Konakoglu, Evren Goknar]



“Give More” [Vahagn Stepanyan, Note Weerachat, Felipe Praino, Anthony Crawford]



MOONLIGHT ALBUM

SMOOTH JAZZ | 2015 | Vahagn Stepanyan

Featuring

Leslie Johnson

Andy Delos Santos

Eric Marienthal

Cleverson Silva

Alva Copeland

Melvin Lee Davis

Adam Hawley

Heanon

Anthony Crawford

Tony Guerrero



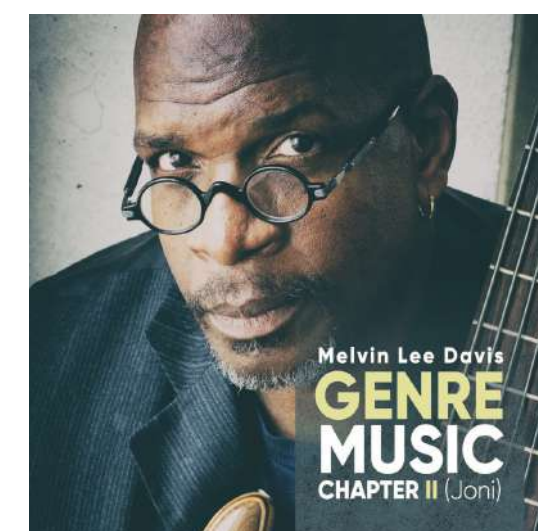
HIGHLIGHTED DISCOGRAPHY



Hope Anthology
Various Artists
Keyboards/Arranger



Tightrope Walking
Sirusho
Arranger/Producer



Genre Music Chapter II (Joni)
Melvin Lee Davis
Songwriter/Arranger/Producer



Silent Night
Tiffany Alvord
Piano



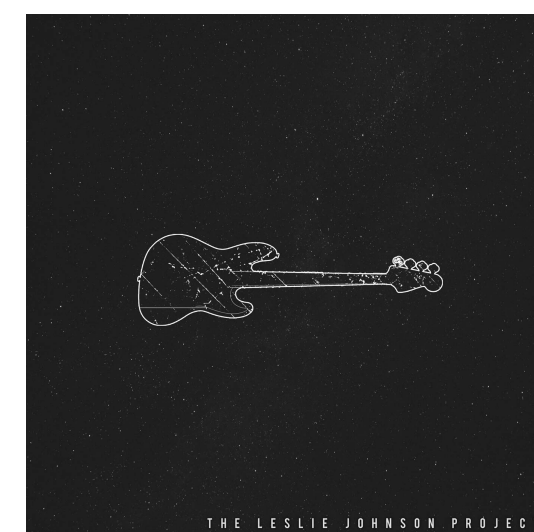
The Ethnos Project Vol. 3
Various Artists
Songwriter/Arranger/Producer



Kirmizi Kurdele
Gökçe
Keyboards

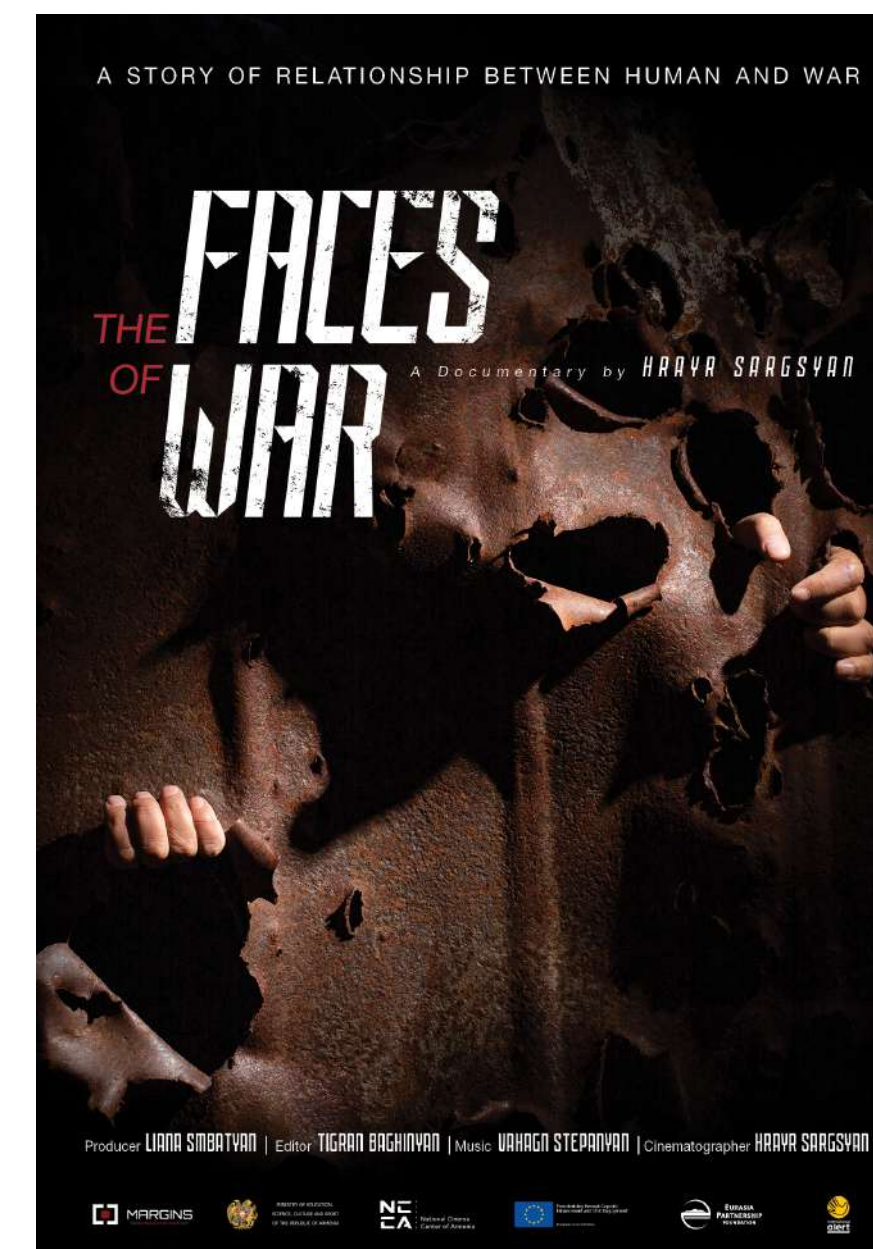


Just in Time
Cleverson Silva
Songwriter/Arranger/Producer



The Leslie Johnson Project
Leslie Johnson
Featured Artist/Keyboards

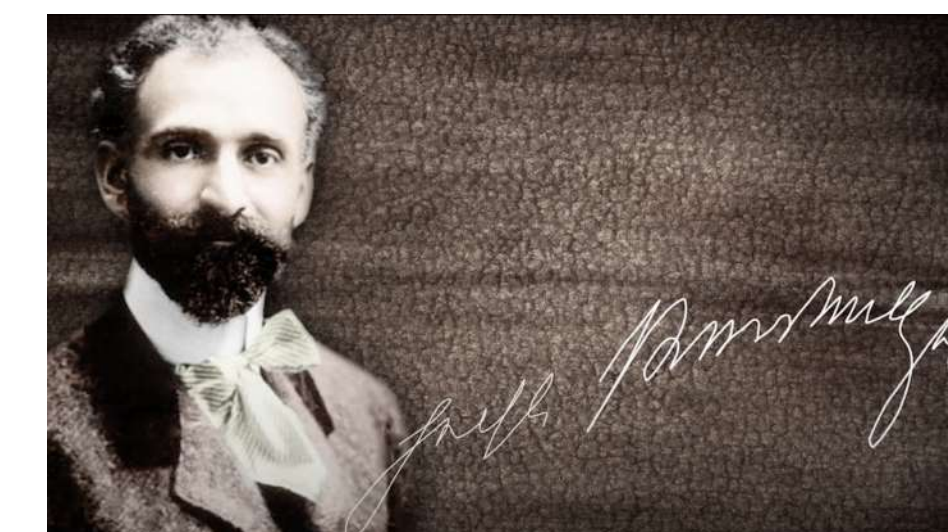
HIGHLIGHTED FILM SCORES



The Faces of War
Composer/Arranger/Sound Design/Mixing



The Glance of Ararat
Composer/Arranger/Sound Design/Mixing



"Tumanyan" Trailer
Composer/Arranger/Sound Design/Mixing

HIGHLIGHTED MUSIC CREDITS COLLABORATION GALLERY

Anthony Crawford (Justin Timberlake, Erykah Badu, Virgil Donati)

Andy Delos Santos (Demi Lovato, Nick Jonas, Stevie Wonder)

Adam Hawley (JLO, Jessie J, Dave Koz)

Capitol Studios

Carolyn Malachi (Grammy Nominated Recording Artist)

Cleverson Silva (Leonardo Gonçalves, Ivete Sangalo)

Danielle Withers (Justin Timberlake, Ariana Grande, Doja Cat)

Eric Marienthal (Grammy Award Winning Saxophonist)

Evren Gökner (Grammy Award Winning Mastering Engineer)

Eric Moore (Eros Ramazzotti)

Henrik Linder (Dirty Loops)

Ida Nielsen (Prince)

Lu Diaz (Grammy Award Winning Mixing Engineer)

Leslie Johnson (Khalid, Charlie Wilson, Now United)

Mark Lettieri (Snarky Puppy)

Melvin Lee Davis (Chaka Khan, Lee Ritenour, Gerald Albright)

Nathan East (Grammy Nominated Bassist)

Percy Bady (Grammy Award Winning Songwriter and Producer)

Randy Merrill (Grammy Award Winning Mastering Engineer)

Ricky Kej (Grammy Award Winning Composer, Producer)

Sebu Simonian (Capital Cities)

Sirusho (Celebrity Singer)

Shweta Subram (Bollywood/Kollywood Playback Singer)

Sterling Sound



Melvin Lee Davis, Vahagn and Eric Moore



Steven Slate and Vahagn



Nathan East and Vahagn



Evren Goknar and Vahagn at Capitol Studios



Vahagn with Henrik Linder



Vahagn and Ida Nielsen after performance



Vahagn and Randy Merrill



Vahagn and Armaan Malik



Vahagn and Percy Bady at Hinge Studios



Vahagn with the Consul of Armenia in Los Angeles



Eric Lige, Tiago D'Errico, Frank Fluker and Luke Pimentel



Vahagn with Sebu Simonian from Capital Cities

PERFORMANCES & CONCERT GALLERY



Sirusho Live in Concert [Keyboardist, Band Leader]



The Namm Show 2017 | 64Audio



Artem Valter | Armenia TV



The Namm Show 2017 | Waves Audio



Band Leader, Keyboardist [Sirusho]



Band Leader, Keyboardist



Live with Ida Nielsen | Gruv Gear



Namm Nissan Grand Plaza Stage

HIGHLIGHTED SHOUT-OUTS



Henrik Linder
The bass player of Dirty Loops



Armaan Malik
Singer, Songwriter and Actor - Arista Records/Sony Music



Lu Diaz
Multi-Platinum, Grammy Award Winning Mixing Engineer



Melvin Lee Davis
Music Director & Bassist for Chaka Khan



Evren Goknar
Grammy Winning Mastering Engineer - Capitol Records



Nathan East
Daft Punk's "Get Lucky" Bassist

PRESS & MEDIA HIGHLIGHTS




- ◆ Grammy.com featured Vahagn Stepanyan
- ◆ Watch the industry's top producers, engineers and musicians give mixing and instrument demos at the NAMM Show | Waves Audio
- ◆ StudioExpresso featured Armenia's Premier Recording Studio owner Vahagn Stepanyan with legendary engineers Rafa Sardina and Moogie Canazio.
- ◆ Hope Anthology feat. Fred Hammond, Mary J. Blige, Tia P, Percy Bady, Vahagn Stepanyan and many others...
- ◆ Vahagn's Presets for Waves Audio [REQ2; REQ4; REQ6; RVerb, Electric 200 Piano, Clavinet Plugins]
- ◆ Antares Auto-Tune Artists Page featuring Finneas O'Connell, Josh Gudwin, Greg Wells, Vahagn Stepanyan and others...
- ◆ 64Audio's Artist Page feat. Beyoncé, Khalid, Kirk Franklin, Vahagn Stepanyan and others...
- ◆ Vahagn's name engraved on Aston Spirit mic.



ENDORSEMENTS



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