



DAVID CERQUETTI

FILM COMPOSER | ORCHESTRATOR

I always say that it's not broken dreams that hurt us, but only those we do not have the courage to dream. For this reason I chose to continue dreaming for all my existence.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Feature Films - Leading Composer

- "Hunting Ava Bravo" (2022), directed by Gary Auerbach and starring Kate del Castillo. Distributed by Amazon Prime Video.

Tv Series - Assistant to Composer (intern)

- "Echo 3" (2022), original score by Christopher Young. Apple Tv+ Show.
- "Cabinet of Curiosities" (2022), original score by Christopher Young. Netflix Show.

Short Films - Leading Composer

- "Chocolate Tronchetto" (2022), directed by Nicole Favarelli. Best Original Score - Los Angeles Cinematography Awards 2022.
- "A Canvas Tale" (2022), directed by Martina Girlanda. Best Original Score - Genesis International Film Festival 2022.
- "Three Souls" (2022), directed by Martina Girlanda.
- "No More Time, No More Heroes" (2022), directed by Samuele Raco.

Teaching Assistant - Film Scoring Summer Program

- Composition and Orchestration classes at the **Chigiana Film Scoring Intensive Program 2022**. Assistant to composers Marco Beltrami, Lawrence Shragge, Patrick Kirst and orchestrator Pete Anthony.

Composer, Conductor - Theater, Ballet, Concert Music

- Solid concert activity throughout Italy as a composer, pianist and conductor. Worked for RAI (Italian Television) and wrote music for more than 50 concerts. Collaborated with: Milano Classica, Prometeo String Quartet, Ex Novo Ensemble, MDI Ensemble, ClassicaViva Orchestra.

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SKILLS AND EXPERTISE

- Film Scoring for Film and Television
- Orchestration for Film and Television
- Sound Design for Film and Television
- Contemporary Music Composition
- Piano Performance
- Studio Conducting

SOFTWARES

- Cubase Pro 12
- Dorico Pro 4
- Pro Tools
- FMOD Studio
- Adobe Premiere Pro

LANGUAGES

- English: Full Professional Proficiency
- Italian: Native Proficiency
- French: Full Professional Proficiency

HONORS AND AWARDS

Best Composer / Best Original Score (Film Music)

- International Sound and Film Music Festival (2022) - **Nominee.**
- Los Angeles Cinematography Awards (2022) - **Award Winner.**
- Oticons Faculty International Film Music Competition (2022) - **Top20 Finalist.**
- Genesis International Film Festival (2022) - **Nominee.**
- Toronto Film Channel Awards (2021) - **Award Winner.**
- Hollywood Gold Awards (2021) - **Nominee.**

Scholarships and Academic Awards

- GEMS Composer **Scholarship** Award (GEMS Film Scoring Summer Program 2022, Madrid).
- **Certificate of Excellence** (2022) - Chigiana Music Academy.
- **Diploma of Merit** (2020) - Chigiana Music Academy. Outstanding Achievement Award.

Best Composer - Concert Music

- Carlo Sanvitale International Composition Competition (2019) - **Best composition for string quartet.**
- Maurice Ravel International Composition Competition (2018) - **Best Composition for piano solo.**

Best Piano Performance

- Maurice Ravel National Piano Competition (2017) - **4th Prize.**

EDUCATION

Giuseppe Verdi Milan Conservatory

Bachelor of Music | 2019 - 2022

- Composition for Film and Television. Thesis Project: Music Aesthetic in Animated Movies. From the Neo-Riemannian Theory to the Hollywood Harmony. The Grotesque as a source of inspiration. Full marks and highest honors: 110/110.

Aosta Conservatory

Pre-Academic Preparatory School | 2009 - 2018

- Preparatory School in Piano Performance and Music Composition.

SUMMER PROGRAMS AND SPECIALIZATION

GEMS Film Scoring Program

Madrid - Spain | 2022

- A month studying film music under the guidance of Emmy-nominated composer Christopher Young and orchestrator Pete Anthony. Awarded with the GEMS composer scholarship award.

Film Scoring Academy of Europe

Varna - Bulgaria | 2021

- Mentored by Andy Hill, Former Vice President of Music Production at Disney and Norman Ludwin, Hollywood orchestrator for Michael Giacchino.

Accademia Musicale Chigiana - Contemporary Music

Siena - Italy | 2020

- Mentored by Salvatore Sciarrino. Awarded with a Diploma of Merit for great compositional skills, an honor awarded to a select few students throughout the history of the Academy.

MEMBERSHIPS

SCL - Society of Composers and Lyricists

2022 - present

ACMF - Italian Association of Film Music Composers

2021 - present

SIAE - Italian copyright collecting agency.

2016 - present