

Luciano Rigobelo

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Portfolio
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ARTISTIC PROFILE

Luciano Rigobelo is an established Brazilian-Canadian guitarist, vocalist, and multi-instrumentalist based in Vancouver, BC. With over 25 years of professional performance experience spanning jazz, bossa nova, MPB, and popular music, he has performed across a wide range of venues and community spaces throughout Metro Vancouver and the Lower Mainland — from intimate gatherings to curated public festivals. His practice is rooted in a belief that music is a vehicle for community, hope, and cross-cultural connection — informing both his performance work and his deeply humanistic approach to music education.

SELECTED PERFORMANCE EXPERIENCE

Trinity Grace United Church Jazz Vespers

November 17, 2023 · Vancouver, BC

Dan Reynolds (piano), Luciano Rigobelo (guitar), Simon Millerd (trumpet)

- Paid Professional Engagement
- Performed three original compositions — *Black Bear*, *Lydia*, and *Mente Quieta* — as part of the program, showcasing original jazz songwriting

St. Andrew's Wesley United Church Jazz Vespers

October 8, 2023 · Vancouver, BC

Dan Reynolds (piano), Luciano Rigobelo (guitar), Nicholas Bracewell (drums), Steve Lloyd Smith (bass)

- Paid Professional Engagement
- Performed two original compositions — *Black Bear* and *Lydia* — as part of the program, showcasing original jazz songwriting

Northwood United Church Jazz Vespers

October 1, 2023 · Surrey, BC

Dan Reynolds (piano), Luciano Rigobelo (guitar), Steve Lloyd (bass), Joe Poole (drums)

- Paid Professional Engagement
- Performed two original compositions — *Black Bear* and *Lydia* — as part of the program, showcasing original jazz songwriting

Fabrique St-Georges Winery

August 5, 2023 · Vancouver, BC

Dan Reynolds (piano), Mike Bjella (saxophone), Luciano Rigobelo (guitar)

- Paid Professional Engagement
- Performed original work, including pieces from albums *Raiva em Relva*

VSO Day of Music Deloitte Stage

June 10, 2023 · Vancouver, BC

Dan Reynolds (piano), Luciano Rigobelo (guitar)

- Performed as part of the Vancouver Symphony Orchestra Day of Music, a city-wide free event supported by the Jane McLennan Fund for Accessible Programming
- Performed two original compositions — *Clean Stainless Steel* and *Black Bear* — as part of the program, showcasing original jazz songwriting

St. Andrew's Wesley United Church Jazz Vespers

JUNE 4, 2023 · Vancouver, BC

Dan Reynolds (piano), Luciano Rigobelo (guitar)

- Paid Professional Engagement
- Performed original work, including all pieces from albums *Raiva em Relva*

Brentwood Presbyterian Church Jazz Vespers

April 5, 2023 · Burnaby, BC

Dan Reynolds (piano), Luciano Rigobelo (guitar), Steve Lloyd Smith (bass)

- Paid Professional Engagement
- Performed original work, including all pieces from albums *Raiva em Relva*

Weekly Performances Granville Island · Seasonal

2024
Vancouver, BC

- Regular solo guitar performances in one of Vancouver's most prominent public arts settings, presenting Brazilian jazz and popular repertoire to diverse community audiences
- Performed three original compositions — *Sugar Rush*, *Volverine*, and *Black Bear*.

DISCOGRAPHY

Pétala na Tela — 3 songs · 5 min 35 sec	Released August 6, 2025
Practicing Water — 6 songs · 10 min 37 sec	Released February 22, 2022
Naive — 3 songs · 11 min 13 sec	Released January 17, 2023
Zen Coffee Planet — 7 songs · 26 min 28 sec	Released August 20, 2020
Raiva em Relva — 8 songs · 19 min 58 sec	Released June 19, 2019
Como Se Fosse Cedo — 3 songs · 11 min 57 sec	Released June 19, 2019

PROFESSIONAL TEACHING EXPERIENCE

CW Music & Musical Expressions

Guitar, Bass Guitar & Ukulele Instructor

2025 – Present

Vancouver, BC

- Applies a student-centred teaching philosophy inspired by Brazilian music educator Teca Alencar, prioritizing creative autonomy and musical expression over mechanical repetition
- Designs and develops rock band programs, creating an engaging group learning environment where students collaborate, rehearse, and perform together
- Delivers inclusive music education serving diverse learners of all ages, including students with exceptionalities, adapting tools and equipment to meet individual physical and learning needs

Musical Expressions

Guitar, Bass Guitar, Ukulele & Piano

Instructor

2025

Vancouver, BC

- Delivered group and individual lessons in community centres, offering inclusive music education for diverse learners
- Fostered a sense of belonging and community through music, creating shared experiences that brought joy, connection, and creative engagement to participants

Fantasia Academy of Music

Guitar, Bass Guitar & Ukulele Instructor

2024 – Present

Vancouver, BC

- Designs and delivers individualized curriculum for students of all ages, from toddlers to young adults, adapting repertoire and method to each learner's goals and abilities
- Integrates digital tools and games to engage younger students through their existing interests, building musical knowledge from the learner's own world

Richmond Music School

Guitar, Bass Guitar & Ukulele Instructor

2023 – Present

Richmond, BC

- Facilitates group music sessions for seniors in care homes as part of a grant-funded community program, demonstrating sensitivity to participants with limited finger mobility and varying music backgrounds
- Designs and delivers individualized curriculum for students of all ages, from teens to young adults, adapting repertoire and method to each learner's goals and abilities

Self-Employed Music Teacher & Performer

2019 – 2023

Vancouver, BC

- Designed and delivered personalized lessons across guitar, bass guitar, ukulele, and piano for children and adults
- Maintained an active solo and ensemble performance practice alongside teaching work

In Concert · Imagine · Musical Trade Music Teacher

2014 – 2017

São Paulo, SP

- Designed and taught personalized lessons for children and adults.

Self-Employed Guitar Teacher

1999 – 2013

Avaré & São Paulo, SP

- Designed and taught personalized lessons for children and adults.

EDUCATION

VSO – Vancouver Symphony Orchestra
Jazz & Improvisation Combo

Vancouver, BC
2022

Conservatório Souza Lima
Popular Music Guitar Course

São Paulo, SP
2011–2014

Universidade Nove de Julho
Postgraduate in Portuguese Literature

São Paulo, SP
2009

Universidade Estadual Paulista – UNESP
B.A. in Language Arts

São Paulo, SP
2003–2006

CERTIFICATES

Berklee
Jazz Improvisation, Gary Burton

Berklee Online
2015

HONORS & AWARDS

Festival Nacional de MPB de Ilha Solteira
Ilha Solteira, SP
Best Song • 2006

LANGUAGES

English (Fluent), Portuguese (Native),
Spanish (Basic)

TOOLS

Ableton Live, GarageBand
Sibelius