



Sina Bathaie

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Compositions blend Persian melodies with western instrumentation. Each text on the album cover below is a verse of a poem in Farsi, Italian, Russian, Korean and Chinese about hope and peace. Listen to the album [Ray of Hope](#)

"It reminded me that good music is made of dreams and echo of dreams"

— Prince Aryn of Aga Khan

"One of Toronto's best kept Secrets"

— David Olds The WholeNote Magazine

"You'll be mesmerized by his Santur playing

— Errol Nazareth CBC Host: Big City Small World

"Moody, heartwarming and inspirational "

— Joe C, IndieCan Radio, Sirius XM The Verge



Ray of Hope Album Cover

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Watch "Into The Sky" Music Video from the album *Ray Of Hope*



Biography

Sina Bathaie (Si: Nə: BæT hə: i:), composer, Santur player based in Toronto, Canada is known for his unique style and approach toward Persian contemporary music. His hypnotic performances have garnered him fans from across the globe. Sina has been featured at festivals such as Luminato, Pacific Contact, Folk Music Ontario, CINARS, TD Jazz Festival, Mundial Montreal, Prismatic Festival, Aga Khan Museum, Fete de la Musique Mont Tremblant, as well as TV and radio appearances at CP24 and CBC Radio Metro Morning and Big City Small Worlds.

Sina developed his own style of music through music residencies and artistic collaborations and achieved a unique sound in world fusion music with his ensemble which includes Cello, Guitar, Bass, Percussion and Santur. His latest album ***Ray of Hope*** was released on Windcatcher Records in 2017 and was **nominated for Best World Music Album of the Year** in 16th annual Independent Music Award in NYC. His debut album ***Sound of Silence*** was released in 2012 and received warm critical acclaim.

Born in Iran, Sina started learning Santur at the age seven from his father, Master Javad Bathaie and studied Persian classical repertoire (Radif) with the instrument Oud. He later studied Composition and Orchestration at Berklee College of Music and has scored movies such as *The Horse Latitudes*, *Un royaume démenage*, *Ameno* and *Mr Settled Immigrant*.



Watch "Rebirth" Music Video from the album ***Ray Of Hope***



Grants Received:

- Canada Council for the Arts
Professional Development for Artists (2018)
Travel Grant (2018)
 - Explore and Create (Research and Creation) (2017)
 - Grants to Professional Musician – Individual (2015)
 - Audience and Market Development Grant (2015)
- Ontario Arts Council
 - Music Creation Project (2019)
 - Skills and Career Development (2018)
 - Full Length Album Recording (2016)
- Toronto Arts Council
Mentorship Grant (2018)
 - Full Length Album Recording (2016)
- Factor
 - Artistic Development (2017)
- SOCAN (2017)
Travel Grant
- Banff Centre for Performing Arts (2019, 2015,2013)

Selected Performances:

- Live at Adelaide Hall
Oct 26 2019, Adelaide Hall, Toronto
- First Five Festival
Sep 1st 2019 Aga Khan Museum, Toronto
- Fete de La Musique Mont Tremblant
Aug 31st , Mont Tremblant , Quebec
- **Official Showcase** at Pacific Contact (April 2019)
- **Official Showcase** at CINARS/ Mundial Montreal (Nov 2018)
- **Official Showcase** at Folk Music Ontario (Sep 2018)
- Prismatic Festival
Sep 2018 Halifax Nova Scotia
- Theatre Rouge de Conservatoire de Montreal
Nov 11 2017 Montreal
- Toronto Centre for the Arts – Lyric Theatre
Oct 13 2017 – Toronto



- Richmondhill Centre for the Arts
Oct 1st 2017
- Agha Khan Museum
Feb 25 2017
- Canada Oprah Company – Richard Bradshaw Amphitheatre.
Oct 6 2016
- In/Future Festival – Ontario Place
Sep 18 2016
- Luminato Festival – New Canadian Music Stage
June 14th 2016 – Toronto
- Live Interview and performance at CBC Radio 1 Metro Morning with Matt Galloway
March 21th 2016 – CBC Toronto
- Sina Bathaie & Ensemble Live in Concert
March 20th 2016 - Waterloo, Neruda Art
- Official Showcase at Mundial Montreal (Nov 2015

Selected Press Link:

[Ray of Hope Album Release - Oct 13, 2017](#)

[Performance at CP24](#)

[WholeNote Magazine Album Review](#)

[Interview with CBC Radio host Errol Nazareth Big City Small World](#)

[Interview with CBC Radio host Matt Galloway at MetroMorning](#)

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