

EXCLUSIVE INTERVIEW WITH PATRICK M

Q. You came from Argentina over 15 years ago. How did you start your career in Miami?

Actually, I came to Miami in 2001, just to see what was going on. My first months here were really tough. I got my first gigs at some private parties, and then I started selling records at Grooveman Music. Those opportunities made me stay.

Q. In 2005, you joined the Club Space team as a resident DJ, alongside Ivano Bellini and Louis Puig. How was it joining the original team? Were you warmly welcomed? And do you still keep in touch with some of the resident DJs from that time?

It was really good at that time. Cedric [Gervais] was also a resident after he left Crobar on South Beach. At the beginning, it wasn't easy. I came with a kind of a different sound. Some people didn't get it. But after a period of time, I started to feel that magic on the terrace. Yes, I still keep in touch with Ivano, Louis, and some of the big guests we used to have.

Q. Would you say Space catapulted your career as a Miami DJ, or was it some other opportunity that paved the way?

Space was the big thing, but I cannot forget Nikki Beach on Sundays and Nocturnal with Roland & Biz for "Local Celebrity." Both those parties helped me a lot.

Q. In all the years, is there a particular party in Miami, that you DJ-ed, that stands out as your favorite?

There's a couple to remember. One was a 4th of July party with Erick Morillo, and then there was a pool party playing with Danny Tenaglia.

Q. Where are you playing these days? Do you approach music differently than let's say 10 years ago?

I'm playing in Miami right now at select venues. I'm at the 1 Hotel Rooftop bi-weekly, spin Saturdays at Chotto Matte, and I also have a monthly residency at No. 3 Social. I am also doing gigs out of town, like in LA, NYC, Texas, Mexico, and Buenos Aires, just to name a few. I'm definitely in a different stage right now with my music. I would say I'm more house oriented.

Q. Do you have any comments on the Miami music scene as it stands today? Is there something you want to achieve professionally in 2019?

The Miami scene has been changing a lot lately, but it's definitely one of the best in the world right now. For me, I want to keep DJing as Patrick M, and I want keep pushing my new project **DYAB**, which is a new alias of mine. It's more melodic and deep style/afro house. My first release is already [out on Beatport](#).

Q. Currently, you have a residency at Chotto Matte off Lincoln Road on Miami Beach. When did this start?

This is a cool place that opened up in April 2018. The original one is in Soho, London. It isn't a club, but sometimes it looks like it. There are packed nights at this Japanese restaurant with a great bar, owned by one of the best underground London DJs, William Noble. So music there is very important, and the customers really appreciate that. The staff there is simply amazing with some of the best team-work I've seen.

Q. Have you been able to try anything on the menu? If so, what is your favorite dish or drink?

The menu is great!! The nikkei sashimi and octopus anticucho are my favorites. As for drinks, I definitely recommend, "She is so Smoking."

Q. The new year came not too long ago. Is there a new year's resolution that you're keeping with?

Well, one of my resolutions as a DJ/Producer is to try to get out more new music. I want to release on my own label, Xima Records, but also on others that I'm fond of.

Q. Lastly, you have a gig coming up at 1-800-Lucky. I believe this is your first time spinning there? What kind of set can we expect to hear from you?

Oh yesssss, I'm so excited to play there on Sunday, February 17th. It's my debut at this solid party, which is presented by one of the biggest legends in the industry, Roger Sanchez. I'm definitely working on some good tracks. Always funky and groovy with some vocals, and of course, some classics as well. It's going to be a fun night, and I promise to take you on a good trip 😊

Thanks, Patrick. Catch Patrick M spinning this Friday and Saturday at Chotto Matte or Sunday at 1-800-Lucky and be a part of the experience everyone is talking about! Groove, while you eat!

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