**MARCO BENEVENTO**

Bio Short

For more than a decade pianist **Marco Benevento** has been amassing an extensive body of work. His studio albums and live performances set forth a vision that connects the dots in the vast space between LCD Soundsystem and Leon Russell, pulsating with dance rock energy, but with smart, earthy songwriting to match. It has led to numerous high profile appearances, ranging from **Carnegie Hall** to **Pickathon**, **Mountain Jam** to **Treefort Festival**, while headlining shows coast to coast.

Marco Benevento’s latest studio LP, *The Story of Fred Short*, and its companion live release, *The Woodstock Sessions*, is some of his finest and most adventurous work to date—a maestro making "bold indie rock" says *Brooklyn Vegan*, while the *LA Times* raves, “Benevento continues to straighten his twisted sound into the guise of an indie-rock singer-songwriter, harnessing his inventive sonic palette into rewardingly bite-size pop songs that touch on disco and soul."  Honing his psych rock and late night dance party sensibilities, the recordings find the pianist citing everything from Harry Nilsson, Manu Chau and Gorillaz as inspiration.

As anybody who's seen Marco Benevento perform can attest, with eyes closed, smile wide across his face and fingers free-flowing across the keys, he's a satellite to the muse. With a devout and growing fan-base, Benevento is an artist whose story is only beginning to unfold.

Press Quotes
"Benevento jams with a concentration on the textures and colors available in his keyboards and arsenal of manipulated pedals and effects. His songs feature deceptively rich, catchy melodies and straight-ahead grooves that expand with subtle mounting gestures." - ***Rolling Stone***

"A musician so original that he can ultimately only be judged against his own standard." -***All Music***

“Reminiscent of Dr. John’s New Orleans psychedelia and piano chops with a hint of Father John Misty’s general coolness, Marco Benevento brings something very unique to the modern pop world.” - ***The Wild Honey Pie***

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"Marco Benevento is one of the most talented keys players of our time." - ***CBS***

"Benevento's colorful, improvisational, piano-based compositions stretch so wide and cover so much sonic ground that the idea of genre seems quaint. Very quietly, he has been evolving into one of the most vital figures in jazz or rock or post-jazz or post-rock or—all of music." -
***Kansas City Pitch***

"Imaginative at heart, Benevento demands you to be too when engaging with his work. Otherwise, you probably are missing out on something special. Driven to experiment with chords and melodies with the intention of getting a little dirty along the way, Benevento’s collisional approach is refreshing and absolutely delightful." - ***Consequence of Sound***

"A vocalizing party-starter, Benevento extrudes sinister balladry and hustling disco beats."***- Village Voice***

Videos

DROPKICK <https://youtu.be/mEVdFQNIvuI>
LIVE A CERTAIN LIFE <https://youtu.be/BlBmE_JWCCQ>

THE STORY OF FRED SHORT <https://youtu.be/SJsDnlWo2nY>
HEAVY METAL FLOATING UPSTREAM <https://youtu.be/QsEVK_5IzWg>

AT THE SHOW [http://youtu.be/WxIPkKInygA](http://youtu.be/wxipkkinyga)

WITCHES OF ULSTER [http://youtu.be/zU1TlGgME7o](http://youtu.be/zu1tlggme7o)

IF I GET TO SEE YOU AT ALL <https://youtu.be/JDcUwGLoka8>
LIMBS OF A PINE: [http://youtu.be/2y\_7D0tlagU](http://youtu.be/2y_7d0tlagu)

THIS IS HOW IT GOES: [http://youtu.be/QAES4LX973o](http://youtu.be/qaes4lx973o)

THE REAL MORNING PARTY: [http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GSbBhXoExmw](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gsbbhxoexmw)

NOW THEY'RE WRITING MUSIC: [http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=D2dYHCa-b38](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=d2dyhca-b38)

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