



# ARJYO BALA

GUITARIST/COMPOSER

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ReverbNation :

[www.reverbnation.com/arcaneaccord](http://www.reverbnation.com/arcaneaccord)

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**Luciana Caporaletti** (ReverbNation)

Kikii's song instantly made me think of my son...but this time with hope. Thank you Arjyo.

**Dale Adams** (ReverbNation)

Fantastic! So deep and profoundly eloquent. I could listen for hours-and I have. Great work.

**J. Michael Parker** (ReverbNation)

Perhaps the most incredible instrumental band I have ever heard. As a vocalist first and foremost, I can't stop from putting words to these amazing melodies. Arjyo Bala is a formidable musical force to be reckoned with. Superb in every imaginable sense.

**Doc Willett** (ReverbNation)

What a wonderful range of tools you have, and the knack to use them all in the proper place to complete a musical canvas that the imagination can paint on... World Class!!



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## “Bridging boundaries through music”

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His research on unifying Indian Classical Music and other genres is posted on his free to use website [www.ragarockharmony.com](http://www.ragarockharmony.com) . He plans to continue his studies into this area of music so that it becomes easily accessible and understandable to musicians everywhere.

Apart from guitar, Arjyo also has a deep passion for soundscapes and scores and is in the process of composing for music for a number of film and tv projects. He takes his inspirations from all genres and converges them into whatever he is working on, giving it a truly unique angle.

He has been collaborating with a number of musicians from the city of Toronto, and online, to compose and perform works of music, mainly instrumental, that will demonstrate this New Wave of music.

The logo for Arjyo Bala is centered on a black square background. It features a stylized white 'AB' monogram on the left, followed by the name 'ARJYO' on the top line and 'BALA' on the bottom line in a clean, sans-serif font.

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## SKILLS AND HIGHLIGHTS OF QUALIFICATIONS

- Proactive and highly motivated.
  - Attention to detail and highly organized.
  - 5+ years experience in music production, editing and recording.
  - 7+ years experience in music composition.
  - Highly passionate about work and curiosity to learn new things.
  - Excellent ability to adapt to sudden changes.
  - Strong communication skills.
  - Excellent team player.
  - Large fan base on social media.
  - Proficient in Windows and MS Office software, Adobe Photoshop, Steinberg Cubase, Magix Movie Edit Pro, Adobe Audition.
  - Multilingual: Fluent in English, Hindi and Bengali.
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## EDUCATION

- Sept 2017 - present – Bachelor of Fine Arts(Honours) in Music – York University
  - 2016 - 2017 – Bachelor of Music(Honours), Lakehead University
  - 2008 - 2011 – Bachelor of Arts(Honours) St.Xavier's College(affiliated to Calcutta University)  
Major : English  
Minors: Economics, Political Science
  - 2008 – Indian School certificate (ISC), Don Bosco Park Circus
  - IELTS(Academic - 2015) Overall Band Score : 8.0
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## SOFTWARE SKILLS

Steinberg Cubase, Adobe Audition, Magix Movie edit pro, Windows, Microsoft Word, Powerpoint, Adobe Photoshop, Propellerhead Reason

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## MUSICIAN

- Conceptualized and established a new style of music – Unification (of Indian Classical Music and Rock)
- Experienced musician in various styles of play and composition.
- Accomplished musician in playing various instruments - guitar and keyboard.

## MUSIC ALBUM

- Titled “Arcane Accord” available on iTunes, Amazon, Spotify and all leading digital distributors.

## MUSIC EXPERIENCE

- Primary instrument of choice is electric guitar. Accomplished instrumental musician.
  - Mastered Ragas in Indian Classical Music
  - Large fan base with over 12000 fans on Facebook and a combined total of 67000+ (Facebook,Reverbnation,Twitter,Youtube) fans on Reverbnation
  - Continuous exchange of ideas about music and its evolution with artists from around the world on [www.reverbnation.com/arcaneaccord](http://www.reverbnation.com/arcaneaccord)
  - Masterful control over guitar techniques such as legato, picking(economy, alternate, sweep), string skipping, tapping, harmonics(natural and artificial), bending, vibrato, slides etc.
  - Covered some of the most technically and dynamically challenging electric guitar pieces, Videos are available on youtube at [www.youtube.com/arjyo89](http://www.youtube.com/arjyo89)
  - Collaborated with numerous musicians worldwide from various cultures to create music.
  - Created his own research website explaining the complexities of Indian Classical Music. Explained in easy to understand language and has made available to everyone for free at [www.ragarockharmony.com](http://www.ragarockharmony.com)
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## WORK EXPERIENCE

### Faculty at :

- Toronto Guitar School (Guitar Instructor)
- Spark Music (Guitar instructor)
- Neighbour Note (Guitar instructor)

Toronto, Oct 2017 – Sept 2018  
June 2017 – present  
November – 2017 - present

### Faculty at Coran's Institute of Music Education

Thunder Bay, CA

- Guitar instructor (Western Music)

Nov 2016 – March 2017

### Faculty at Ashish Khan School of World Music

Kolkata, India

- Worked as a Guitar Instructor(Western Music).

Aug 2015 – Aug 2016

### Music Teacher

- Taught multiple lessons online with a 5star rating.
- Music teaching experience for over 5 years.
- High ability to understand a student's weaknesses and identify causes
- Instruct and teach them to overcome their problems and perform at their best.

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## LEADERSHIP AND TEAMWORK

- Has led his own instrumental project – Arcane Accord
  - Demonstrated teamwork and dedication in the form of training musicians to come together and perform his compositions with him as the lead member of the band.
  - Brought together new musicians and performed at the St.Xavier's College's prestigious Western Music Exhibition in a short notice
  - Endured, led and completed a 2400 km motorcycle expedition (October 2015) to the foot of the Himalayas(Gurudongmar Lake) in some of the harshest terrains possible. Rode in pitch black darkness in mountain roads above 9000ft, sub zero temperatures, over waterfalls on the roads, on roads covered by clouds and ice, and reached an altitude of 17800 feet with extremely low oxygen levels.
  - Completed and led a group of 3 motorcyclists on a 6500km journey to Ladakh, through all types of terrain and weather conditions (June 2016). Demonstrated ability to cope with drastic situations and come up with smart solutions.
  - Regularly conducts motorcycle rides to promote road safety and awareness within the city and on highways.
  - Strong sense of drive and passion.
  - Extensive experience with coordinating groups of people for achieving a goal.
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## PERFORMANCES

- XIMB (Xavier's Institute of Management, Bhubaneshwar)
  - ICCR (Indian council for cultural relations, Kolkata)
  - Dalhousie Institute
  - The Hyatt Regency (for the Airport Authority of India)
  - Live in Park
  - St. Xavier's College – Western Music Exhibition
  - World Music Day (Nazrul Manch) – Organized by Alliance Française du Bengal
  - The Bovine (Toronto)
  - The Opera House
  - The Hideout
  - Remix Resto Lounge
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## EXTRA CURRICULAR ACHIEVEMENTS

- Represented the district in Table Tennis.
- Multiple time chess champion in School.
- Gold medalist in audio visual strategy games.
- Gold medalist in athletics in school.

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Debut EP : **Arcane Accord** (released 2012)

**Available on all leading digital distribution platforms**

Track List:

1 Arcane Impulse (feat. Raga Kaafi) 7:41

2 Kalbaisakhi (feat. Raga Megh Malhar) 6:31

3 Stargazer (feat. Raga Jhilaf) 7:12

4 Remembrance (feat. Raga Al Haiya Bilabol) 5:13

5 Aesir (feat. Raga Gour Sarang) 7:18

6 Ataraxia (feat. Raga Hamsadhwani) 6:49

- **Released:** Jul 14, 2012
- © 2012 Arjyo Bala

1 Kikii's Song 3:10

Released: Jan 4, 2018

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Comments:

#### **J. Tomic**

Beautiful tunes, each track's instruments are blended so harmoniously perfect. Keep up the excellent work, loving it!

#### **Daemon of God**

The first track of yours I listened to was "Arcane Impulse", I am listening to it right now for the first time while I am writing this, And I have to say, it is one extremely beautiful song !Thank you for allowing your inner creator to touch the world!

#### **Luciana Caporaletti**

Kikii's song instantly made me think of my son...but this time with hope. Thank you Arjyo.

#### **Rose Finn**

Hello Arjyo, I won't pretend I understand any of the technicalities of the notation, I don't need to. I am simply listening and find I am totally drawn in to this magnificent sound. Stargazer Raga at one point made me feel, surrounded by the music. I felt I was in the middle and it was physically encircling me. WOW, A I send my very best wishes and congratulations . Thank you . Love from Ros

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