José del Avellanal Carreño (1998) composer / vocalist / performer

Education

2021-23	Hochschule der Künste Bern, Switzerland		
	MA Composition (Creative Practice) with Simon Steen-Andersen and Franziska Baumann, minor in vocal studies with Franziska Baumann and Daniel Gloger		
2017-21	Royal Northern College of Music, Manchester, UK		
	BMus (1^{st} Class Honours) Composition with Emily Howard and Steven Daverson	3	
2020	Masterclasses and extra-academic tuition		
	With Matthew Shlomowitz, Alessandro Perini, Oscar Bianchi, Luca Guidarini, Du Yun, Samir Odeh-Tamimi, Unsuk Chin, Miroslav Srnka, Mark Barden, Ramon Lazkano, Agustí Charles and Gavin Higgins		

Ongoing & Future Projects

2022-23	New work (duration tbc)	
	Site-specific performance commissioned by the 2023 Festival Finisterre (CH)	
2022-23 New music theatre work for performers, electronics, video and lights (45'-50		
	Graduation project at the Hochschule der Künste Bern (CH)	
2023	New work for saxophone, piano, percussion, electronics and lights (c. 10')	
	Commissioned by Ex-Sentia Trio	
2023	Performance projects	
	Including world premieres of works by Severin Dornier and myself	

Upcoming & Recent Performances/Workshops

- 2023 Festival Finisterre (29/07) – New work [premiere] Site-specific performance in Monte Verità (Ascona, CH) as part of Festival Finisterre
- 2023 Playtime Festival (18/01) – TENEBRAE (prologue & scene 1) [premiere] Performed by José del Avellanal (voice) and Kip Cleverley (trumpet) at the HKB (CH)
- 2022 zoom in Festival (3/11) – Occam Ocean II by Éliane Radigue [premiere] Performed by the HKB Vertigo Ensemble at the Reitschule Bern (CH)
- 2022 Berner Nachhaltigkeitstage (17/09) – GOODBYE GLACIER by Sonia Loenne & Michael Cina [premiere] Performed by BUREAU BUREAU & convoi exceptionnel at Pauluskirche (Bern, CH)
- 2022 Tryouts Sessions (9/09) – what answer would please you most [premiere] Performed by Shockwave Ensemble at the HKB (Bern, CH)
- 2022 Foresty Festival (30/07) – CARNIVAL OF SOULS [premiere of updated short version] Performed by Alberto Anhaus (percussion) at Casa della Musica San Michele (Montaldeo, IT)



Awards

- 2022 Music Prize, WE:NOW International Youth Art Festival (Madrid, ES for CARNIVAL OF SOULS)
- 2021 RNCM Creative Innovator Award (Manchester, UK for the creative project 'ECO.max')
- 2019 Composition Award, International Courses 'Música en Compostela' (Santiago de Compostela, ES)

Published Writings

- 2021 speak, sing... An Encounter with the Artificial PRiSM blog
- 2020 RNCM: José del Avellanal 'three breaths after Ben' The Garden of Forking Paths blog

Courses

2023	Composition course, Darmstädter Ferienkurse (Darmstadt, DE)	
2022	NEXT GENERATION Donaueschinger Musiktage (Donaueschingen, DE)	
2022	Contemporary Percussion Gathering (Casa della Musica San Michele, Montaldeo, IT)	
2022	International Young Composers Academy Ticino (Loco, CH)	
2021	Master Course for Composers, CEME 2022 (online from Tel Aviv, IL)	
2021	Workshop on Composition and Sound Experimentation, Festival Mixtur (Barcelona, ES)	

Experience (composer)

Worked with: Arxis Ensemble, Les Percussions de Strasbourg, Shockwave Ensemble, Philipp Lamprecht (Meitar Ensemble), Oliver Janes (BCMG), Ausiàs Garrigós (Riot Ensemble), Weston Olencki, PRiSM, Heather Roche, Olivia Palmer-Baker, Mireia Pellisa, Alberto Anhaus, Gavin Stewart, Psappha, BBC Singers, RNCM Brand New Orchestra

Education: Presenting composer – Avazad Composers Forum (2022, online), assistant composer – PRiSM Music and Maths (2020, Manchester, UK), composer and assistant conductor – RNCM Children's Opera (2019, Manchester, UK)

Research: Participant composer – The Garden of Forking Paths (2019-20, online/Manchester, UK)

Experience (vocalist-performer)

Involved in: Solo performance, HKB Wandelweiser Ensemble (2022-23, Bern, CH), HKB Vertigo Ensemble (2022, Bern, CH), RNCM Chamber Choir – Tenor section leader (2018-20, Manchester, UK), Somnium Chamber Choir (2018-19, Manchester, UK)

Performed at: Reitschule (Bern, CH), MZK (Zurich, CH), HKB (Bern, CH), Bridgewater Hall (Manchester, UK), Barbican Centre (London, UK), Grieghallen (Bergen, NO), Victoria Baths (Manchester, UK), Sage Gateshead (Newcastle, UK), RNCM (Manchester, UK)

Software knowledge

Sibelius	•••••
Max	$\bullet \bullet \bullet \bullet \bullet \bullet$
DAW	$\bullet\bullet\bullet\bullet\bullet\bullet$
Ableton Live	$\bullet\bullet\bullet\bullet\circ\circ$
QLab	$\bullet \bullet \bullet \circ \circ \circ$
DaVinci Resolve	$\bullet \bullet \bullet \circ \circ \circ$
Processing	$\bullet \bullet \bullet 0 0 0$
TouchDesigner	00000

Languages

Spanish (Native) English (C2) German (B1-B2) French (B1-B2)

Additional work experience

Board member – Kulturesk (Bern, CH) Freelance translator – ABRSM (UK) Freelance copyist and engraver Freelance singer and violinist Freelance arranger