

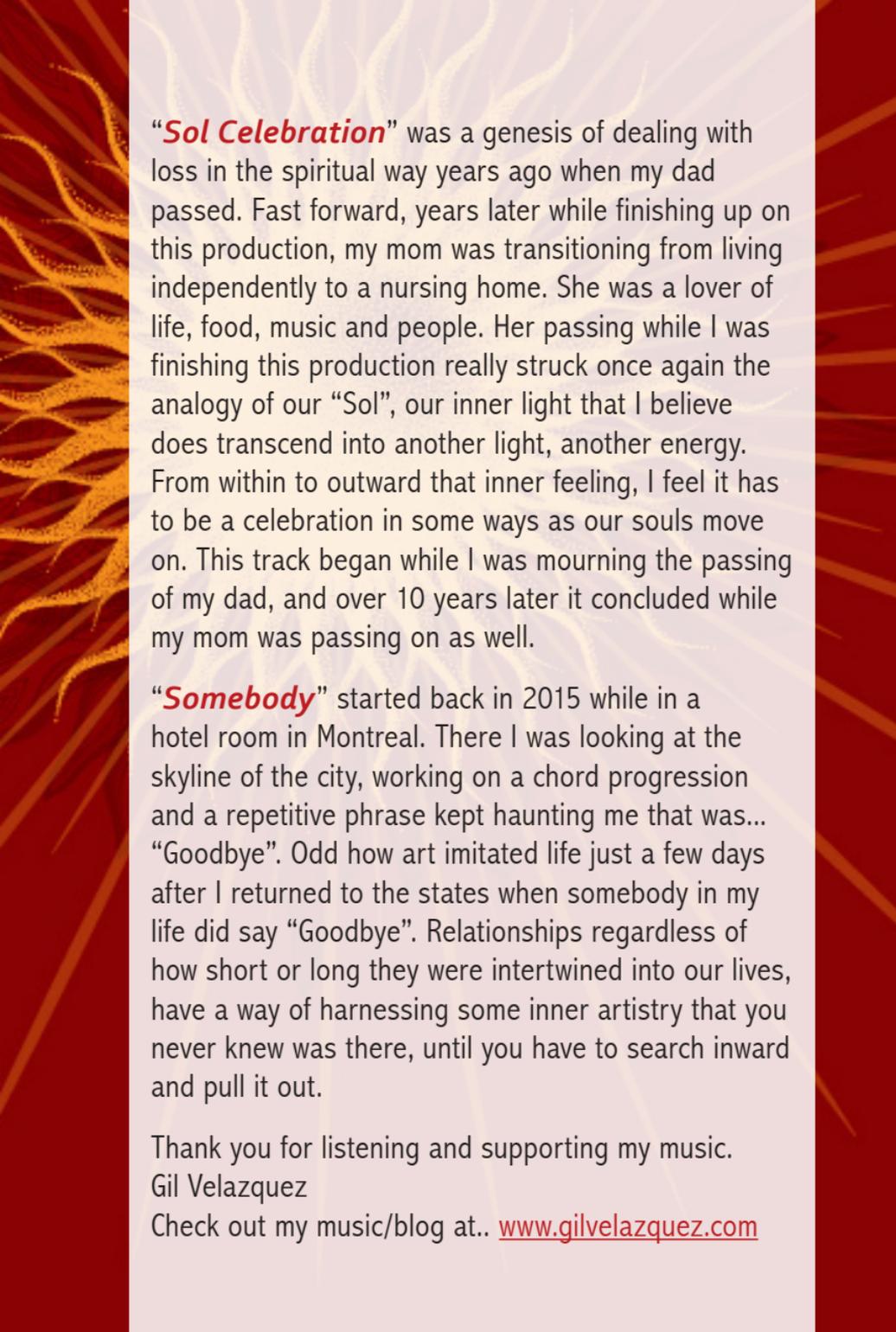
SOL CELEBRATION

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It has been 2 years since my last digital EP release, "***My World***". Since then I've developed a number of songs that I've so patiently been waiting to nurture and bring to light. Finally, my new release "***Sol Celebration***" is ready.

"***Out of my mind***", became one of my signature tunes that I played countless times at a variety of live events. Each time a little different, but my influence of Carlos Santana never waned. The inspiration from a lyrical standpoint came about after listening to a conversation about someone trying everything to forget and get their previous significant other out of their minds. They kept revisiting "those thoughts", the good and bad times, but still came back to struggling with trying to let go.



“Sol Celebration” was a genesis of dealing with loss in the spiritual way years ago when my dad passed. Fast forward, years later while finishing up on this production, my mom was transitioning from living independently to a nursing home. She was a lover of life, food, music and people. Her passing while I was finishing this production really struck once again the analogy of our “Sol”, our inner light that I believe does transcend into another light, another energy. From within to outward that inner feeling, I feel it has to be a celebration in some ways as our souls move on. This track began while I was mourning the passing of my dad, and over 10 years later it concluded while my mom was passing on as well.

“Somebody” started back in 2015 while in a hotel room in Montreal. There I was looking at the skyline of the city, working on a chord progression and a repetitive phrase kept haunting me that was... “Goodbye”. Odd how art imitated life just a few days after I returned to the states when somebody in my life did say “Goodbye”. Relationships regardless of how short or long they were intertwined into our lives, have a way of harnessing some inner artistry that you never knew was there, until you have to search inward and pull it out.

Thank you for listening and supporting my music.

Gil Velazquez

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Out of my mind (5:45)

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Verse

Look into those magic eyes
What I saw hypnotized
Trying hard to break away
From the confusion, heartache yeah
Standing here in my reflection
In this crazy situation

Chorus

Gotta get you out of my mind
It's gonna take a lot this time, oh oh
Gotta get you out of my mind
It's gonna take a lot this time

Verse

Someone comes and someone goes
Like walking city streets as you go
In a cold concrete world
then someone special
makes your heart swirl
Can I stop my bleeding heart
from tearing me apart

Chorus

Gotta get you out of my mind
It's gonna take a lot this time, no, no
Gotta get you out of my mind
It's gonna take a lot this time

Bridge

As I look into this crazy storm
Can we break the clouds of this
endless pain
But could you take my weathered hand
Then maybe, maybe, maybe,
maybe we'll understand

Verse

You know each of us can reach
a point in our lives
We gotta look way inside
For the things that make us
feel complete
I just get so sick of surreal
What am I gonna do right now
To make this all work out, yeah

Chorus

Gotta get you out of my mind
It's gonna take a lot this time
Gotta get you, get you, out of my mind
It's gonna take a lot this time

Oh

Gotta get you out of my mind
Gotta get you out of my mind
Gotta get you... Come on baby yeah





Sol Celebration (4:03)

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Instrumental

Back in 2004 after my dad passed I started to play around with the main melody line. Always looking to keep some Latin flavor to the initial feel, I found that I was not happy with the same pattern repeating itself.

Then one day I was looking at the sun, and the story began to unfold. Strange how after so many years, this track was completed and being mastered while my mom had passed.

“Sol”, without it, we are all not what we are, but dust in the cosmos. Each and every day regardless of our personal challenges, rejoice and celebrate the “Sol” as it appears consistently.

Even on a cloudy or storming day, the “Sol” is there high above casting its power, its warmth, its cosmic radiant glow. Upon us all, around the sphere we call home.



Somebody (4:18)

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Verse

Looking into the past
I saw love in motion
It was bright, honest and true
A beautiful painting of me and you
Was it slowly, was it swiftly
That the colors bleed into confusion
Composition was working too
Doesn't make sense
What happened to you

Chorus

Sometimes somebody,
just says goodbye
Sometimes somebody,
will just say goodbye

Verse

Do you remember the times
we held each other oh so tight
It seemed so true
A magic connection with just our eyes
Looking into each others
soul inside, yeah
There I was standing
looking at some shooting stars
I was just wondering baby if you ever
could find your true heart, hmmm
And I started to wonder
if you've ever really known love
Well I think it just was a stranger
That hovered above... now

Chorus

Sometimes
somebody,
just says goodbye
Sometimes, sometimes somebody,
will just say goodbye

Bridge

I was lost in a memory
Of what it should have been
between you and me
I tossed and turned
I couldn't sleep that night
I had this feeling you were
broken inside.

Verse

When I run into you
from this moment on
I see my reflection and a connection
I hold no blame
but it's never gonna be the same
There's only so many times love
can be tossed aside.

Chorus

Sometimes somebody,
just says goodbye
Sometimes somebody,
just says goodbye



Credits

All songs and lyrics written and recorded by Gil Velazquez
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All tracks, vocals, guitars, bass, keyboards, percussion and
sound effects recorded and produced by Gil Velazquez.

Drum programming by Gil Velazquez with the help of
Sonoma Wire Works and some live cymbal hits.

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journey. The awesome artistic and original music scene
along the Jersey Shore has been such a part of keeping my
eye on the goal of expressing, creating and delivering my
work to you.

I have more music to complete, more of my inner sense to
share with you. More of my soul. Until next time.

— *Peace, Gil Velazquez*

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