**LIDO PIMIENTA’S *MISS COLOMBIA* OUT TODAY VIA ANTI-**

**NAMED STEREOGUM’S ALBUM OF THE WEEK & PREMIERED VIA EXCLUSIVE NPR FIRST LISTEN**

**“A SUBSTANTIAL CULTURAL STATEMENT” - *NEW YORK TIMES***

**PITCHFORK INSTAGRAM LIVE TAKEOVER TONIGHT AT 8PM EST**

Lido Pimienta’s thrilling sophomore album *Miss Colombia* is out today via ANTI**-**. With waves of support from the likes of New York Times, NPR, and Pitchfork, the record delves headfirst into the pain that communities of color and indigenous ancestry have experienced in societies seeded with racism and imperialist attitudes. Pimienta’s signature sound **-** an electronic cumbia blend **-** is a modern take on experiences that go back generations.

NPR Music just exclusively streamed the full album as a First Listen, saying the album “takes a thread and needle from Pimienta's heart to a country that doesn't always love her back." Read the full piece [here](https://www.npr.org/2020/04/13/831603525/first-listen-lido-pimienta-miss-colombia).

*Miss Colombia* has also been deemed [**Album of the Week**](https://www.stereogum.com/2079607/lido-pimienta-miss-colombia-review/franchises/album-of-the-week/) by Stereogum, who called it “(some) of the most uniquely stirring pop music in recent memory,” and named [**one of the most anticipated albums**](https://pitchfork.com/features/lists-and-guides/pitchfork-guide-to-new-albums-spring-2020/)due out this spring by Pitchfork.

Lido will celebrate the album’s release tonight by taking over Pitchfork’s Instagram Live at 8pm ET to perform songs from the album from her home. The performance will direct viewers to a [**GoFundMe page**](https://charity.gofundme.com/o/en/campaign/help-a-wayuu-family-ayudaunafamiliawayuu) that is collecting resources for Wayuu families quarantined in Colombia due to the coronavirus pandemic.

The album is included in today’s [NPR New Music Friday](https://www.npr.org/2020/04/16/836339242/new-music-friday-the-top-7-albums-out-on-april-17) episode, [Pitchfork’s 5 New Albums You Should Listen To](https://pitchfork.com/news/5-new-albums-you-should-listen-to-now-fiona-apple-rina-sawayama-and-more/), and in-depth features with [i-D](https://i-d.vice.com/en_uk/article/4agzn3/lido-pimientas-miss-colombia-is-a-cynical-love-letter-to-her-homeland) and Bandcamp have run.  Additional co-signs include **Rolling Stone, Nylon, Fader, Billboard, Refinery 29,** and **Brooklyn Vegan**.

*Miss Colombia* is rich in historical significance, and includes appearances from Bomba Estéreo’s Li Saumet on “[**Nada**](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Cje1mE92Ymg),” and an interlude by Rafael Cassiani Cassiani, the bandleader of Palenque’s Sexteto Tabala. Cassiani is from San Basilio de Palenque, the oldest surviving town founded by freed Africans who had been enslaved in the Americas. Lido also recorded most of the record in the town, as a testament to the record’s story, as well as her her home studio in Toronto.

PRAISE FOR *MISS COLOMBIA*

“A substantial cultural statement uniting Afro-Colombian roots … with just enough synthesizer heft to place Pimienta’s music in the here and now”

**New York Times**

“Pimienta's effort is a taxonomy of love and oppression disguised as love, and it demands a more just world”

**NPR Alt Latino**

“Pimienta’s soaring vocal melodies resound like sunlight breaking through the clouds”

**Rolling Stone, Song You Need to Know**

“Strikingly colorful … powerful vocals”

**Fader**

“Pimienta defies the norm of relations and individualism”

**Billboard**

*“*A wild, spiritual adventure through Pimienta’s world—a place where the pains of history and the love of a community meld to become a powerful celebration of Afro-Colombian culture, identity, and womanhood”

**Bandcamp**

“A coronation … In her singular fashion, Pimienta has drawn back the curtain on a vast world to be explored”

**Stereogum**

"You can feel the resistance in this album...instantly satisfying to anyone who likes any kind of adventurous pop music"

**Brooklyn Vegan**

**TRACKLIST:**

1. Para Transcribir (Sol)
2. Eso Que Tu Haces
3. Nada (feat. Li Saumet)
4. Te Queria
5. No Pude
6. Coming Thru
7. Quiero Que Me Salves (Preludio) [feat.
8. Rafael Cassiani Cassiani]
9. Quiero Que Me Salves (feat. Sexteto Tabala)
10. Pelo Cucu
11. Resisto y Ya
12. Para Transcribir (Luna)