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Singer & Songwriter

Solange *Cesarovna*

GENRE	BASED IN	LATEST ALBUM
World Music	São Vicente, Cabo Verde	2017

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ABOUT

The sweet and powerful voice of Morna

Solange Cesarovna is a Cabo Verdean singer and songwriter, considered by critics the "Queen of Morna of the 21st Century". With a voice that is at once sweet and powerful, she sings **Morna**, Coladeira and Funaná and turns every concert into an intense, moving experience. She was the first Cabo Verdean artist to sing at the Vatican.

She is also an active advocate for authors' rights: she co-founded the Cabo Verdean Music Society in 2013 and chaired it until 2023, and is Vice-President of the **African Music Academy** and of CIAM. In 2026 she released *"África Em Mim"* with **Carlinhos Brown**, the first step of her *Conexão África Brasil* project.



SOLANGE CESAROVNA · PHOTO © MARCELO NEJM

> *"Solange Cesarovna is a celebrated singer-songwriter and one of the most influential figures in contemporary music and the creative economy."*
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> — WIPO · CITY OF INNOVATION AWARD (JURY)

2009
First Cabo Verdean to sing at the Vatican

2013
Co-founded the Cabo Verdean Music Society

2021
Among the 100 most influential in Lusophone Africa

1st
CLIP Champion of WIPO for Creators

Projects and programmes



Frevo ou Funaná

CABO VERDE AND BRAZIL ON ONE STAGE

Cabo Verde's funaná meets Brazil's frevo, with six artists on stage and a masterclass on morna. In partnership with Ibermúsicas.

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RECORDINGS



2026
África Em Mim
Single with Carlinhos Brown



2017
Mornas
A tribute to Eugénio Tavares



2008
Solange Cesarovna
Debut album · Los Angeles

FEATURED SONGS

01 «África Em Mim»
Single with Carlinhos Brown · 2026

02 «Morna de Despedida»
From the album "Mornas" · 2017

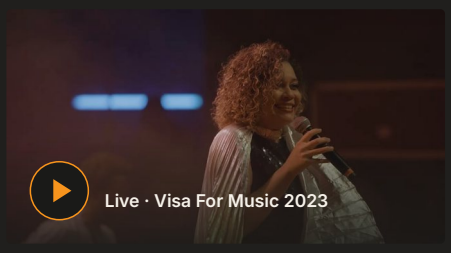
03 «Força di Cretcheu»
From the album "Mornas" · 2017

04 «Ná, ó Menino Ná...»
From the album "Mornas" · 2017

05 «Mal de Amor»
From the album "Mornas" · 2017

LISTEN AND WATCH









BIOGRAPHY

Solange *Cesarovna*

Gifted with a precious voice, at once sweet and powerful, and acclaimed as the "Queen of Morna of the 21st Century", **Solange Cesarovna** is a singer and songwriter and one of the most influential figures in contemporary music and in the creative economy of the Portuguese-speaking world. The first Cabo Verdean artist to perform at the Vatican, she unites ancestral heritage with sonic innovation.

She is Vice-President of the African Music Academy (AMA) and of the International Council of Music Creators (CIAM), and was the first CLIP Champion of the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO). She received the Exceptional Achievement Prize from Fair Trade Music International (FTMI) and the PPM 2025 PALOP award at Brazil's Prémio Profissionais da Música, and is on the BANTUMEN Powerlist 100.

With *Conexão África Brasil*, she opens a vibrant new chapter in her career: an album that fuses rhythms from Cabo Verde and other African countries – morna, coladeira and funaná, afrobeat, amapiano, semba and kizomba – with samba, choro, bossa nova, afro reggae and afro-Bahian music, among other Brazilian genres.

The album is produced by Pretinho da Serrinha and Marcel Klemm, with collaborations with Carlinhos Brown, Max Viana and Mr. Brown. Pretinho da Serrinha's virtuosity and deep knowledge of samba and ancestral rhythms blend with Marcel Klemm's technical precision, sophistication and contemporary arrangements. Taking Cabo Verde as its starting point, it establishes Solange Cesarovna as a true ambassador of transatlantic art.

MILESTONES

2008
Debut album, recorded in Los Angeles

2017
"Mornas", a tribute to Eugénio Tavares

2023
FTMI Outstanding Achievement Award

2025
Tribute and PALOP Award · PPM, Brazil

2026
"África Em Mim", with Carlinhos Brown

LIVE

Stages and festivals

2023	**Rabat** Visa For Music · Mohammed V Theatre	25 NOV.
2009	**Vatican City** Auditorium della Conciliazione · Synod of African Bishops	FIRST CABO VERDEAN

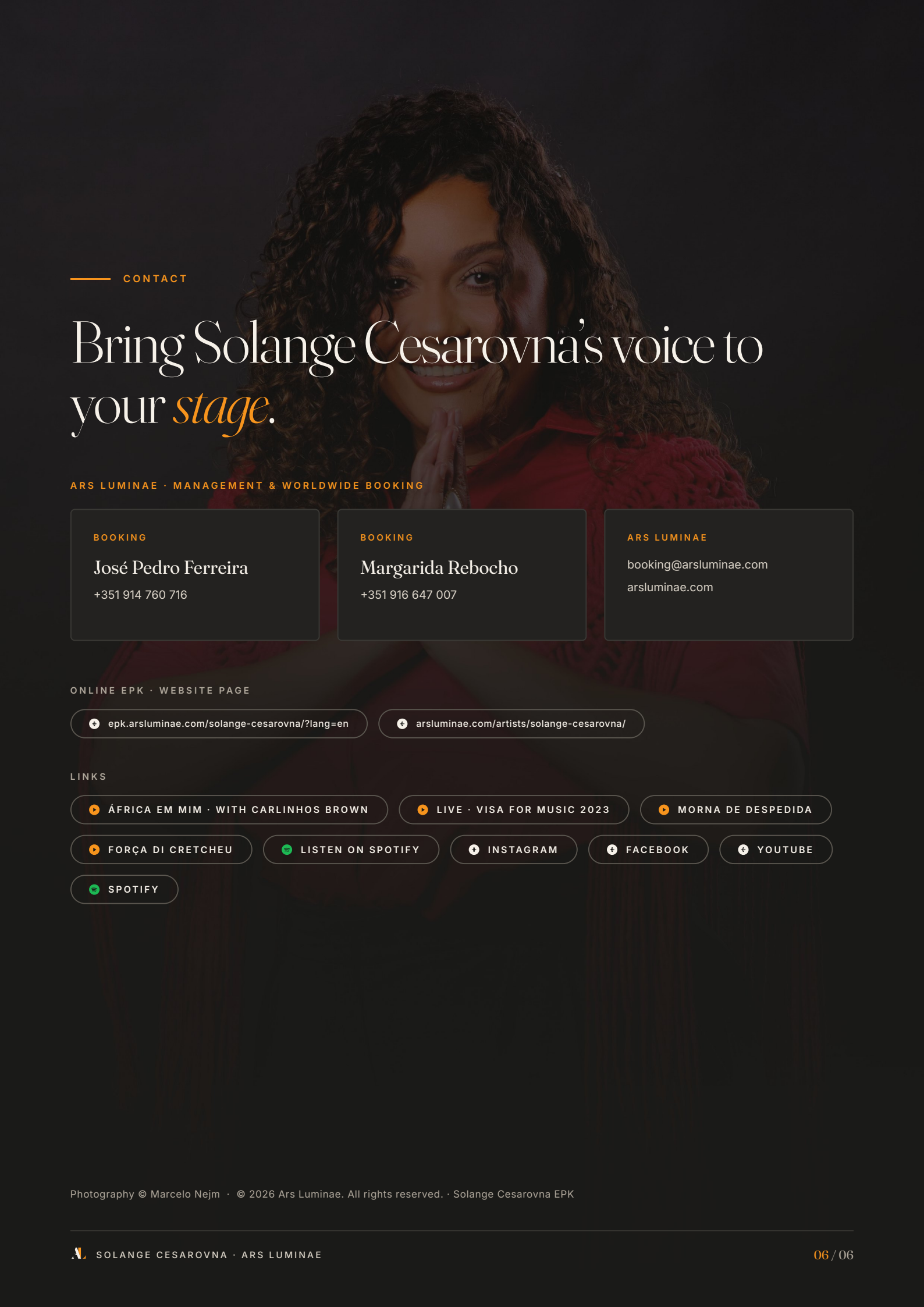
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What they wrote

> *A humanist woman as well as an ambassador of peace and copyright in the world with a unique and peculiar voice, Solange has been able to take her country's culture to the world.*
>
> **CIAM** · INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL OF MUSIC CREATORS

> *Ms Cesarovna has played a pivotal role in establishing a new collective management organisation in her home country of Cabo Verde.*
>
> **MARCO FOLEY** · FAIR TRADE MUSIC INTERNATIONAL · 2023





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