



# Diego El Cigala on Tour in Chicago



**El Cigala, one of Spain's most acclaimed and innovative Flamenco singers, performs at the Chicago Symphony Center.**

Three-time Grammy winner [Diego El Cigala](#) has been called “one of the most beautiful flamenco voices of our time” by legendary guitarist Paco de Lucia. With a sound described as “natural, inspired [and] drop dead gorgeous” by the *BBC*, El Cigala seamlessly melds the intoxicating rhythms and melodies of his Spanish Gitano heritage with styles ranging from bolero to tango, Afro-Caribbean jazz and Cuban son.

El Cigala began his career singing for dancers in Spain at the invitation of well-known artists such as Cristóbal Reyes and Mario Maya, then rose to international fame in 2003 after releasing *Lágrimas Negras*, a collaboration with venerable Cuban pianist Bebo Valdés. El Cigala seamlessly melds the traditional sounds of his Spanish *Gitano* heritage with the intoxicating rhythms and melodies of salsa. On his latest album, *Indestructible*, El Cigala turns to the world of salsa, embracing classic material with a power-packed band in an album *Billboard* declares “the salsa album of the year.”

He radiates a magnetic mix of winking charm and unpredictable vitriol reminiscent of a singer from an entirely different milieu, Frank Sinatra.

—*The New York Times*

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