

Lonely Wit

a completely improvised musical stand up comedy experience

none of this was written and all of it performed by...

Jayson Acevedo

## **Artistic Statement**

*This is my very first comedy special and I hope you enjoy it. Easily one of the most freeing performances I've ever had.*

*On December 8th, 2018, I wanted to set out to do something different. Something unique. I wanted to do something that not only was going to challenge me as a performer but also allow me to just have some fun. I wanted a non-traditional approach to a traditional art form. I wanted to create something that would make 2018, which was the absolute hardest year I've ever had, worth it.*

*I got my heart broken for the very first time in my life. My Dad's brother, my Uncle, died. I was told early that year I had to put my dog down (he made through to June of 2019, R.I.P. Snickers). Someone who's been with me since the beginning had her troubles. I even thought about quitting comedy forever. I had my first mental breakdown. And it was almost a year long breakdown. For four months I didn't want to get out of bed. I was confused, scared, unsure, worried, depressed, uncertain, & didn't have any love for myself. I isolated myself from everything. Feeling like I had no friends or anyone I can really confide in.*

*I went away. Disappeared for a bit & found my way back home. To the motherland. Back to Colombia. In need of support. Family. Mountains. Refreshment. Faith. And more importantly, love. 2018 beat me down & brought me back up. It strengthened me. Making me stronger than I've ever been.*

*This special is a testament to my spiritual and mental rebirth. This special means the world to me and hopefully you'll be able to tell that I had an amazing time filming it. It was real. It was raw. It was the light I found in my darkness. It was all done on the spot with no preparation whatsoever. I was truly in my element. Surrounded by many people that have love for me and for what I do. And for that, I am eternally grateful.*

*In a nutshell, this is a completely improvised one hour live comedic performance from me, international comedian & top-notch improviser (my own words) Jayson Acevedo. No one knew what was going to happen...not even me. But I'm glad it did. And what I know for sure is that I am indeed a "Lonely Wit".*

*Special thanks to Cesar Romero, the man you'll see on the keys. Thank you for adding so much to this special with your talent & presence. You took this special to a whole other level.*

*This special is dedicated to my amazing sister Evelyn and her beautiful son, my nephew, Liam Filmed in front a live sold-out crowd at OuterSpace Studios in Chicago, IL (Wicker Park)*

