

José Pinto, clarinet



José Pinto was born in Vila Real (Portugal) in 1992. He began his musical studies at the Conservatory of his hometown with Professor Luís Filipe Santos. He completed his studies and master's in Porto at Escola Superior de Música e Artes do Espetaculo with professor Nuno Pinto. From 2016 to 2018 he was student of Escuela Superior de Música Reina Sofia with professor Michel Arrignon.

He had the support of the Albeniz Foundation tuition scholarship. As a student of the School he was member of the Harmonie Ensemble and of the Ricercata Quintet. In addition, he has completed several masterclasses with clarinetists of international renown such as Vicent Alberola, Sabine Meyer, Yehuda Gilad and Karl Leister, among others. He has been awarded in national and international competitions of which I highlight the first prize in the contest of the International Clarinet Association in USA 2014.

He performed in many music festivals as a soloist and in chamber music, such as the International Paços de Brandão Festival and the Porto Clarinet Festival. He has collaborated with some chamber music ensembles and orchestras, such as the Orchestra Fundação Calouste Gulbenkian and its young orchestra, Santa Cecilia Orchestra and the Orchestra of Directors of the Katarina Gurska Music School.