## The story of Fito Paez's 'NOVELA'



**Prix University** is a prestigious house of studies dedicated to witchcraft. It is located in TON 618, the largest supermassive black hole in the universe. It has sixty billion solar masses in its inner stomach. The monster of all monsters. It is ten billion light years from Earth, about one hundred thousand times the diameter of the Milky Way. In other dimensions.

Human customs differ from Prixian customs. Chairs do not exist. Tables and beds do not exist either. Food is not ingested, it is imagined. Bodies are amorphous, some with human similarities. Legged beings walk, others fly or crawl, according to their biological characteristics. Some have eyes, others do not. There are camels with telephone heads. Short-necked giraffes with monkey ears. Useless cans with bowlegged legs that moo like cows. Lizards with human-like arms and hands. Lazy androids with feathered wings. Never rest. No need to. It is not allowed. Time is a volatile, flexible matter.

**Rectitud Martirius** is the hard and implacable rector of Prix University. A classic textbook witch, her skin is scalded with pus grains. Her nose is so long that she almost eats it. A Cachavacha's witch's hat, a dirty broom always at her side, as

an imperial cane, and a brown suit that hides her long feet and her rat tail. She has a stentorian voice that makes the spaces where she shrieks or shouts her grumbles tremble, which is almost all the time.

Maldivina and Turbialuz are the star witches of Prix University. They are envied by everyone for their excellent grades, despite their bad behavior. They are two carefree young girls. Beautiful and intelligent. Tender and ruthless. Maldivina is a blonde girl with blue eyes, and Turbialuz, a young brunette with black eyes. Brawlers like the worst. They are the nightmare of Rectitude Martirius. Tired of tolerating their bad habits and behaviors, Rectitude Martirius, with the consent of the superior council of sorcerers, decides to assign them the most difficult test of the Prix University: the formation of a perfect romance in faraway places.

**Loka** - a teenager with sweet eyes and irresistible beauty, is the protagonist of the romance and the main heroine together with **Jimmy**, a tender and wild teenager who plays the guitar and is the singer of the rock band **"The James Dean"**, the other protagonist of this love story.

Jimmy lives in Villa Constitución in the province of Santa Fe, Argentina. He is our young guitarist hero, orphan of mother and father. He lives with his nice aunt Charito in a typical "chorizo" house from the late 1800's, located in front of the town square. Charito: she is a woman of almost fifty years old, addicted to pills provided by her lover, Don Ignacio Chantoni, pharmacist and "psychiatrist" of the town.

On the other side we meet **Jok**, owner of the Beat Circus and **Loka's father**. A tough man, about fifty years old that seems to stretch two decades forward in time. He has the thin moustache of a movie hoodlum, a burly man, sharp eyes as black as night. The **Circus Beat** is an old organism full of old stories and quarrels of all kinds. It stands in the middle of a storm of biblical dimensions on **Route 9** in the province of Santa Fe, in the town of Arroyo Seco.

Inside Jok's **beat circus**, we meet **Julius**: the tamer of starving tigers. He is a handsome man, with an angular, semi-bearded face marked by grooves that have aged with gin. He has an old rivalry with Jok. They were both in love with the same woman. Loka's mom, who ends up deciding on Jok in her flirtation between the two men she was attracted to. One night, in an unfortunate episode, Loka's mother is crushed to death by the circus elephants.

**Many characters are not what they appear to be.** This is true in movies as well as in life. The story will take place in the span of an hour, approximately, for the listener. Among a chicken coop that serves as a rehearsal room, a church transformed into a building of the modern inquisition, a rickety tent, the Prix

University, eccentric circus characters of different social backgrounds and nationalities, a seedy brothel, ruffians of all kinds, an ungraspable storm and two kids who want to escape from their family designs and leave a small provincial town whose inhabitants can turn into a savage human pack in the blink of an eye.

This story will take place in a timeless space. Electronic devices will have to be turned off in order to enjoy this fantastic tale. In a world that is only busy overriding the imagination, installing the gene of domestication and poisoning the vitamins of rebellion.

## The track list of 'NOVELA'

- 1. Prix University (Universidad Prix )
- 2. Love (El Amor)
- 3. Prix Salem Bruges (Brujas Salem de Prix )
- 4. Maldivina and Turbialuz (Maldivina y Turbialuz)
- 5. When the Circus Comes to Town (Cuando El Circo Llega al Pueblo)
- 6. Naná / La Siesta
- 7. Gin Crosses in Sal (Cruces de gin en sal)
- 8. Jimmy Jimmy
- 9. Nobody Knows
- 10. Miss Understood
- 11. Bullets and Flowers (Balas y Flores)
- 12. Superextrang (Superextraño)
- 13. Heritage (Herencia)
- 14. Carrie Mode (Modo Carrie)
- 15. Love is Falling Over My Heart
- 16. Argentina Is A Trap (Argentina es una Trampa)
- 17. Hell on Earth (Infierno en la tierra)
- 18. The Flight (El vuelo)
- 19. Let's face it (Aceptémoslo)
- 20. The Last Blackout (El último apagón)
- 21. The Triumph of Love (El triunfo del amor)
- 22. Hearts Need to Love (Los corazones necesitan amar)
- 23. Julius Losing It All (Julius perdiéndolo todo)
- 24. Sunrise (Sale el Sol)
- 25. Hopes and Storms (Esperanzas)