



Windham Hill's  
**WINTER SOLSTICE**  
BARBARA HIGBIE ~ TODD BOSTON ~ MIA PIXLEY



Mia Pixley is a cellist, composer, singer-songwriter, performer and clinical psychologist. Mia began studying cello at age four in her hometown of Austin, Texas. She received her B.A. from Columbia University in New York City, her Ph.D. in clinical psychology from City University of New York Graduate Center, and her professional studies diploma in cello performance from San Francisco Conservatory of Music.

Mia has recorded cello on GRAMMY award winning albums, (Fantastic Negrito, Please Don't be Dead), performed in award winning Off-Broadway productions (Futurity, Lucille Lortel Award), and this year, enjoyed collaborating with the De Young Museum, as well as PIXAR (alongside musical artist ASTU). Most recently, Mia recorded cello and voice for the Harlem-based site-specific soundwalk, The Visitation, produced by HERE Arts. She was also co-music director, composer, and performer for the site-specific theatre piece, When Your Skin Calls You Home, written by Melusina Gomez and produced by Polina Smith.

Mia tours annually with the Windham Hill Winter Solstice Tour and has had the honor of performing with award-winning, multi-instrumentalist Barbara Higbie.

Mia's discography includes: ***Inside Under***, an EP released under the alias, Baeilou -- and a visual art and music collaborative suite with artist/husband, Kevin Shaw, ***Spar Suite***: A music and visual art call and response. More recently, Mia released her first full length album, ***Margaret in the Wild***.

Mia also enjoys combining her music and psychological endeavors. In 2020, she was a visiting artist in collaboration with San Francisco Conservatory of Music, Global Brain Health Institute, and the University California San Francisco. Together, they created an interdisciplinary community offering about neuroplasticity and improvisation, titled The Last Dance: Music, Improvisation, and the Resilient Brain.

Mia keeps an active private psychotherapy practice and considers her psychological endeavors an extension of her artistic practice. Mia lives with her husband and their young son in the California Bay area.

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