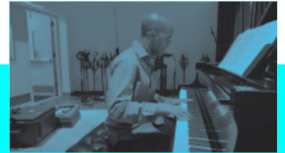
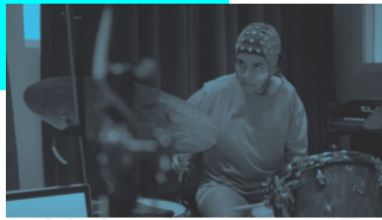


# Soulflow

A Documentary Film Journey  
into Music, Human Connection,  
and Understanding



## THE FILM



A SONIC AND SCIENTIFIC JOURNEY into music, human connection and understanding—*Soulflow* shares the remarkable and unlikely story of a jazz musician (Kevin Harris) and a neuroscientist (Patrick Purdon), who together have embarked on a boundless quest to understand fundamental questions around human interaction, connection and communication. *Soulflow* is at once timely, timeless, enlightening and educational.

### STORY

ALL HUMANS IMPROVISE. *Soulflow* is a documentary film that follows a groundbreaking multi-disciplinary collaboration — and friendship — between Patrick Lee Purdon, a Stanford biomedical engineer, and Kevin Harris, a jazz pianist, composer, and professor at the Berklee College of Music. Using state-of-the-art technology and research, Purdon and Harris set out to understand the brain mechanisms

surrounding social interaction performed under uncertainty— aka, improvisation. Through this sonic and scientific journey, Purdon and Harris endeavor to use computational analysis of neural data to better understand creative self-expression, communication, empathy, and interpersonal connection in a world in which such notions are at a higher premium than ever before. The arc of the film follows the lifecycle of this bold experiment — from the spark of curiosity and inspiration,

through hypothesis, data gathering, and analysis, to the ultimate results, and implications for our society at large. *Soulflow* is a meditation on how to foster empathy, re-assess the music canon/ hierarchy, and break down the false dichotomy between science and art.



THE DIRECTOR

## JOSH IZENBERG

JOSH IZENBERG is an Emmy-nominated, award-winning, documentary director filmmaker, creating non-fiction films and content to tell real stories, with a cinematic edge. His debut documentary, *SLOMO* (2013) premiered as a New York Times Op-Doc, won over a dozen awards, and was shortlisted for an Academy Award. He's since co-directed the Netflix documentary, *Resurface*, which was nominated for an Emmy. Other films he's worked on have been featured by The New Yorker, The Atlantic, WIRED, National Geographic, and Scientific American.



# KEVIN HARRIS + PATRICK PURDON



KEVIN HARRIS is an internationally recognized composer and jazz pianist. He is an Associate Professor of Piano at the Berklee College of Music in Boston. He has performed at countless jazz festivals, venues, and concerts around the world, including the Blue Note in NYC, Beijing, Milan, and Boston. *DownBeat Magazine* writes that “Harris’ compositions deal with themes of strength, love, courage, and self-awareness.”



PATRICK PURDON is a Professor of Anesthesiology, Perioperative and Pain Medicine at Stanford University. His research investigates and integrates neuroimaging, biomedical signal processing, and the systems neuroscience of general anesthesia and sedation. Purdon is also a jazz vocalist. His work in neuroscience examines the mechanisms of creativity by applying brain imaging and complex data analysis captured with high-density electroencephalogram (EEG) hyperscanning.



PRODUCER

## DAN VLAHOS

DAN VLAHOS is a Boston-based design leader, educator, and researcher. He is currently a Senior Lecturer and Director of the Film and Media Studies Lab at Bentley University. Vlahos is Board Member of AIGA Boston and his interdisciplinary design work has been recognized by the AIGA, the One Club, Print, How, and the Interactive Media Council. His past clients include Harvard University, Duke University and Educators for Social Responsibility. His research explores empowerment, complexity, dynamic media, sustainability, and creative learning.



# TIMELINE, DELIVERABLES + SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

DETAILS



## DELIVERABLES

- 1 x Documentary Short (estimated ~18-25 minute runtime)
- 2 x Trailers (1 x 1 minute trailer, 1 x 2 minute trailer)
- Social Media “Bites” to promote the film (30-second clips for Instagram, etc.)
- BTS Photos

## TIMELINE

- Currently in production
- Phase II shoot in progress

## CONTACTS

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## SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

The *Soulflow* team is seeking funding and sponsorship for the film. Sponsorship includes:

- Optional inclusion is the film credits
- Optional inclusion in promotional materials
- Access to additional content and early screenings

## DONATION INFORMATION

Donations to Soulflow are tax-deductable and can be made through our 501(c)(3) non-profit fiscal sponsor *From the Heart Productions, Inc.*

EIN # available upon request.

## FUNDING

100% of funding (\$100-125k) goes towards the remaining *Soulflow* production and editing costs.

## DONATE BY CHECK

From the Heart  
Productions, Inc.  
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Oxnard, CA 93035

Please write *Soulflow* in the memo line.

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