



JOSHUA DAVIS

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QUALIFICATIONS

Professional drummer, educator and traveling musician. Experienced and well-educated with full comprehension of high-level musical theory, history and technique. Full history of performing, educating, and employment with many companies and individuals covering various genres of music such as: Jazz, R&B, Pop, Gospel, Rock, Latin, Caribbean and Ballroom Dance Styles. Strong leadership skills, proficiency on piano and other percussion instruments. Over five years of experience in teaching private lessons and mentoring students of all ages. Organized, outgoing, charismatic and reliable.

EDUCATION & ACCOLADES

Michigan State University, College of Music, East Lansing, Michigan

Bachelor of Arts Degree – Jazz Studies, 2008

Recipient: MSU College of Music Talent Scholarship, 2004-2008

Center for Advanced Studies and the Arts (CASA), Oak Park, Michigan

Vocational Training

Recipient: Certificate of Completion - Specialization in Music Theory and Debate, 2000-2002

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Princess Cruises, Ltd., Valencia, California

2008 – Present

Princess Cruises Show Band

Jazz, Latin, Ballroom Dance, Rock, R&B and Pop Styles

The Arts League of Michigan, Detroit, Michigan

2006 – 2008

Youth Mentor and Educator for 13-18 year-old musicians

Gave private drum and piano lessons to students

Organized and led students' rehearsals and concerts

USA Cultural Exchange, Tokyo, Osaka, Kyoto, Nagoya, Chiba City, Japan

2008

Michigan State University Jazz Band Tour of Japan

Played in various Jazz clubs and venues throughout Japan

Hosted master classes and clinicians for several High Schools and Universities

Held joint concerts with Osaka College of Music and other major Universities in Japan

Detroit Symphony Orchestra CIVIC Jazz Program, Detroit, Michigan

2005

Rhythm Section Mentor for the premiere youth Jazz ensemble in Michigan

Held sectionals, private drum lessons, and big band rehearsals for 12-18 year-old students

Rehearsed and performed in historic Orchestra Hall in Downtown Detroit

Independent Musical Contractor, New York, New York – Detroit, Michigan

2002 – Present

Drummer for various local and internationally known Bands/Musicians

The Rodney Whitaker Quartet, Wess “Warmdaddy” Anderson, Wynton Marsalis, James Carter, Wycliffe Gordon, Vincent Gardner, The Diego Rivera Quartet, The Nu-Jazz Collective, Andre Hayward, Derrick Gardner, Wayne State University Big Band, Gangster Jazz, Urban Transport, Walter Blanding Jr., Rick Roe, Jason Marshall Organ Trio, Alex Graham Quintet, Ross Margitza Trio and The Grand Hotel Big Band.