# Jesse I. Nolan

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# Performance Resume

**Education** India

**Indiana University**, Jacobs School of Music

Bloomington, Indiana May 2006

Master of Music

Concentrations: Jazz Studies, Percussion

GPA: 3.83/4.00

Indiana University, Jacobs School of Music

Bloomington, Indiana

Bachelor of Music Education

GPA: 3.53/4.00

Student Teaching: Bloomington North High School, Bloomington, IN (2004)

**Private Studies:** Studied jazz percussion with Steve Houghton (5 yrs), timpani with Gerald Carlyss (2 yrs), & classical percussion with Anthony Cirone (2 yrs) at Indiana University. Other private teachers include Glenn Kotche (5 yrs), Jeff Hamilton, Stanton Moore, Anders Astrand, Gary Chafee, & Ruben Alvarez.

**Current Positions** 

#### **Blue Man Group**

Desident Music Director Drummer & Dergussionis

International 2011 - Present

May 2004

- Resident Music Director, Drummer, & Percussionist
- North American Touring Cast (400+ performances)
  Oversee the musical and aesthetic quality of the production.
- Former member of the Chicago & Orlando casts (250+ performances)
- Teach and train new Blue Men into their respective musical roles.

**Big Pear Productions** 

Palatine, IL

Owner, Producer, & Engineer

2011- Present

- Specialize in commercial music, recording, audio & video production, as well as live events.
- Commercial jingles & production work for clients including Banana Republic, Bergdorf-Goodman, Holiday Inn.

## Performing Experience

## Musical Direction

- Resident Music Director, Blue Man Group Norwegian Epic Cast (150 performances) (2013)
- Chicago Fusion Theatre (2012)
- Intercontinental Hotel Group International Conference (2008)

# World Premieres

"You're A Big Band, Charlie Brown: The Music of Vince Guaraldi" (2006) with 34-Piece I.U. Jazz Band "Clapping Music for Solo Percussionist" (2004) - reviewed as a "tour de force" in <u>Percussive Notes</u>

#### **Touring**

- West Side Story 50th Anniversary European Tour (2008) (2 Olivier Nominations)
- Jesus Christ Superstar North American Tour (2008-2009) (with Ted Neeley)
- National tours with bands Second Hand Poets (4 yrs), Meet the Beetles (4 yrs), Creedence Again

## Gigs

- Gigs with James Moody, Allen Vizzutti, Lorraine Feather, David Baker, Bob Sheppard, Wessell Anderson, Frank Glover, The Buselli-Wallarab Jazz Orchestra, Rob Parton's JazzTECH Big Band.
- Festivals & conferences including Jazz at Lincoln Center, Midwest Band & Orchestra Clinic, Collegiate Band Directors National Conference, North Sea Jazz Festival, North Texas/Addison Jazz Festival, South Park Music Festival, Elkhart Jazz Festival, Elmhurst Jazz Festival.
- Clubs including the Jazz Showcase (Chicago), Blue Wisp (Cincinnati), Jazz Kitchen (Indianapolis),
   Sadler's Wells (London), among others.
- Classical performances under Fred Fennell, Harry Begian, Michael Barrett, & Ray E. Cramer.
- Composer, arranger, contractor for corporate events including State Farm and Holiday Inn.

#### Recordings

- What Times Is It? by The Times Two (2013) Writer, producer, engineer, instruments, vocals
- Carol of the Bells by the Buselli-Wallarab Jazz Orchestra (2007 Owl Studios) Drums
- Virginia City Lounge by Second Hand Poets (2004 Green Floor Music) Drums & Percussion

### **Clinics**

• Clinician/Guest Artist for Arizona State University, Indiana University, Marshall University, U. North Carolina, Anderson University, National Association for Music Education, among others.