Tom Neale Woodwind Specialist / Tutor

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Profile

Born in 1988 I am an experienced professional jazz musician, composer and tutor currently residing in North West London, Most of my time is balanced between being a session musician and a peripatetic instrumental tutor. My principle instrument is the alto saxophone but I am equally competent playing the baritone, tenor, soprano, flute and the clarinet. I can sight read fluently and can perform different genres as required. I have travelled, mostly in Europe, but also in the American Rocky Mountains.

Personal Qualities

I am an independent and confident person who is sociable and outgoing. I have good interpersonal skills and enjoy the company of other people. I am always tactful and have a good sense of humour. I help run and conduct an orchestra for gifted young musicians. I have good leadership skills, I am reliable, well organised and I am able to take charge of a situation. I have a strong sense of purpose and self discipline which enable me to plan, practice, enjoy, improve and complete whatever I am doing, whether it is musical, physical activity or travel. I enjoy being physically active and stay reasonably fit through surfing, cycling, walking and working out at a gym.

Experience

- Brent Music Service Peripatetic Woodwind/Guitar Tutor (2011 present)
- Brent Music Service Orchestral Tutor (2011-present)
- Backbeat Soundsystem (2010 present)
- Roseland Community College Voluntary assistant music teacher (2010-2011)
- Paros International Jazz Academy Greece (Summer 2011)
- Student Associate Scheme Music (Summer 2008)
- Cornwall Youth Jazz Orchestra (1999-2006)

Duties Performed Whilst Teaching

- Individual/ group instrumental lessons.
- Developing teaching material for instrumental lessons and workshops.
- Co-ordinating ensembles, performances for Brent Makes Music and end of term school concerts.
- · Preparing pupils for examinations and tests.
- Reports and guidance for students and maintaining records of their progress.
- · Orchestral conducting and specialist woodwind sectionals.

Achievements

- Awarded the Trinity Silver Medal for Highest distinction on Classical Guitar (Southern Region) Grades 6-8 (2002)
- Grade 8 Jazz Saxophone with High Honours
- Grade 8 Classical Saxophone with Distinction
- Grade 5 Theory with Distinction
- Grade 7 Classical Guitar with Distinction

Additional Info

- I am fully DBS checked for Brent Music Service
- I hold a full clean UK driving licence.

Education

Penrice Community College, Cornwall

GCSE	JUNE 2004
Music	А
Design Technology	А
English Lit/Lang	В
French	В
Spanish	В
Mathematics	С
Science	С
Religious Studies	С

Truro College, Cornwall

ALEVEL	June 2006
Music	С
English Lit/Lang	С
Photography	В

Leeds College of Music 2007-2010

Bachelor of Arts in Jazz (Hons) 2.1

Areas of Interest

As well as my profession, music is also my passion. I spend my time practising, composing and rehearsing often with like-minded individuals who share the same qualities. My background and personal interests often influence my musical direction.

I'm also interested in art and photography. Both my parents are successful professional photographers. My mother is also a musician and my father is also a writer and digital creative. My grandfather was a prolific painter, writer and pianist and my grandmother was an actress. Having been brought up on the magnificent north coast of Cornwall I enjoy spending time outdoors whether it be surfing or kayaking at my local beach or walking on the moors. I especially enjoy time spent outdoors on the coast.

I also enjoy travelling and generally combine this with music or surfing. I have travelled to some of the most beautiful and dramatic coastlines in Europe including: the Faroe Islands, Sweden, Western Scotland, the Inner and Outer Hebrides, Southern Ireland, France, Northern Spain, Portugal and Cornwall. I have also travelled and camped in the wilderness of the Rocky Mountains from Canada to New Mexico mostly at altitudes of up to two miles above sea level but also down to the deserts of Utah and Table Mountains of New Mexico.

Referees

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