

# Mike Freeman

Musician \* Composer \* Bandleader \* Recording Artist \* Arranger \* Educator \* Producer

## RECORDINGS AS LEADER

Mike Freeman ZonaVibe - *Venetian Blinds*  
VOF recordings, coming April 2018

Mike Freeman ZonaVibe - *Blue Tjade*  
VOF recordings, Dec 2015

Mike Freeman ZonaVibe - *The Vibesman*  
VOF recordings, 2012

Mike Freeman ZonaVibe - *In The Zone*  
VOF recordings, 2007

Mike Freeman - *Wiggle Stomp*  
VOF recordings, 2000

Mike Freeman & Spellbound® - *Street Shuffle*  
Best Recordings, 1991

*Mike Freeman & Spellbound*,  
Debut recording, 1985

Mike's recordings of original music have appeared on numerous radio charts, syndicated radio programs (WOR radio network, Jazz after Hours, David Sanborn, Music Choice, United Airlines), received outstanding reviews, been both Grammy and Latin Grammy entries.

## Based in New York City since 1981

♦Artist/Clinician Balter Mallets and formerly Musser Instrument Company

**Commissioned arrangements and compositions** for the Chicago Symphony Orchestra's Percussion Scholarship Program (for over a decade) and for a national percussion curriculum for China 2014

**Produced** Band Together a hurricane Katrina benefit concert for Tipitina's Foundation and Band Together2 a benefit concert following hurricanes Harvey, Irma, and Maria for the Jazz Foundation of America.

## Clinics/Masterclasses/Residencies

- ♦Florida International University
- ♦New York University
- ♦Berklee College of Music, MA
- ♦Ithaca College, NY

## CONCERTS AS LEADER

- ▶ Trinidad & Tobago Steelpan & Jazz Festival
- ▶ Festival Internacional, Terceira, Azores
- ▶ First Night Celebrations (numerous)
- ▶ IAJE International Convention, Atlanta
- ▶ Rehoboth Beach, DE, Jazz Festival
- ▶ Berks Jazz Festival
- ▶ JVC Newport Jazz Festival
- ▶ Hennessy Greenwich Village Jazz Festival
- ▶ NJ State Aquarium's Jazzin' the Deep Festival
- ▶ Penn Sate University tour
- ▶ Toured Portugal on grants from the Fulbright Foundation and the American Embassy (USIA)

## Groups:

- ★ Mike Freeman ZonaVibe
- ★ Mike Freeman Vibe Caliente
- ★ Mike Freeman & Spellbound®

## Associated groups:

- ★ Ray Mantilla Good Vibrations Band
- ★ Lucho Cueto (Allstar) Black Sugar
- ★ Son Boricua with Jimmy Sabater
- ★ Boricua Blues with Jose Mangual Jr.
- ★ Mark Holen Zambomba
- ★ Julio Salgado
- ★ Willie Villegas' Joe Cuba Sextet
- ★ Tito Gomez
- ★ Timba Vibes

**Studio sessions for** Kirsten Thien; The Manhattan Transfer *Swing*, Atlantic Records; Don Sebesky Foxwoods, *The Wonder of It All*, featuring John Pizzarelli Jr; Broadway stars Stephanie Pope, *Now's the Time to Fall in Love*, and Capathia Jenkins with Lou Rosen, *South Side Stories*; and Hale Rood among others.

**Performed** with the Spanish Harlem Orchestra, directed by Oscar Hernandez at Madison Square Garden, and Willie Villegas Joe Cuba Sextet at NJ Salsa Congress both with legendary sonero Cheo Feliciano; Latin Legends Tribute Concert at Aaron Davis Hall with Louis Bauzó; Cuban Fantasy at Weill Hall with Kathleen Landis