

Alonza McKenzie's Resume

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Occupation

Professional Pianist, Music Director, Band Leader, Composer, Educator, Producer, Arranger

Education

BA in Jazz Studies 2010, Associates Degree-General Studies Oakland Community College 2007, Associates Degree-Liberal Studies Oakland Community College 2007, Northwestern High School-Detroit, MI, Interlochen National Music Camp

Positions held as of 2010

Detroit Federation of Musicians local 5 Exutive board, President AMAC Records, President In-Accord (a 501© 3 Organization for youth music students), Users New Look camp Selection Comittie , Detroit Branch NAACP ACT-SO program mentor and selection committee, Entertainment Commission Task Force-City of Detroit.

Performed the duties of Music Director for

The Temptations, The Four Tops, Anita Baker, Velveletts, Jean Carne, The Jones Girls, Norman Connors, Ali Woodson, Martha Reeves, Penny Wells, The Spinners, Mary Wilson and the Supremes, Jennifer Holiday, Etta James, Kim Weston, The Shirelles, Detroit Bring it and many more

Affiliations

Detroit Federation of Musicians, Entertainment Commission -City of Detroit, BMI, NAACP, United Negro College Fund

Arrangements for

Columbus Symphony Orchestra, Buffalo Symphony Orchestra, Nevada Symphony Orchestra, The Temptations, Penny Wells, The Spinners, Freda Payne, Martha Reeves, Kim Weston, Bloomfield Michigan Symphony, 100 Year Celebration of the Car (Detroit) and many more

Accomplishments

2010- The Loughead-Eldredge Endowed Scholarship in Piano
2008 Certificate of Appreciation City of Detroit for work with Detroit Bring it
2008 Spirit of Detroit Award for Performing in Benefit for Motown Museum
2007 Outstanding Coach Award for work with Detroit Eagles
(Think Detroit, Little League Football)
2007 Certificate of Appreciation City of Detroit for work with Detroit Bring it
2006 Detroit Music Achievement Award,
2005 Detroit Music Awards Domination,
1992 Hennessey Jazz Competition with Crock Pot,
1991 Hennessey Jazz Competition winner with Gwen Lassiter
1976 Scholarship to Interlochen Center for Creative Arts

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Discography

Al McKenzie – A Reason to Be, Al McKenzie – Is It Love, Ron Tyson, The Temptations, Crystal, A Touch of Blue (Australia), Annett Fowler, Oleta Adams, Randy Scott, Penny Wells, Ray Alexander, B.B. Queen, Fellowship Chapel Gospel Chorus, Steve Michael Newby, Larry Crockett, Charmaine, The Four Tops and many more.

Produced cd's for:

The Temptations, Penny Wells, Martha Reeves, Larry Crockett, Ron Tyson, Annett Flowers, A Touch of Blue, Detroit Bring It, 100 Year Celebration of the Car (Detroit)

Teaching Experience

Private piano lessons, Washtenaw Community College, Kids & Jazz, Detroit Public Schools Masters Clinic, Olivet College, Vancouver High School-Vancouver BC, ACT-SO Program NAACP .

Educators

Arthur Lebrew, Teddy Harris, Charles Coleman, Ernie Rodgers, Cliff Monear, Rob Pipho, Earl Van Dyke

Tours

Throughout the US, England, Germany, Berlin, Paris, Belgium, Canada, South America, Bermuda. Australia, Hong Kong, St. Thomas VI, Puerto Rico

Community involvement

NAAACP Act-so Program - Selection Committee Advisor A showcase for Detroit area residents. Finalist would advance to the national level competitions,

Usher's New Look Camp Detroit Chapter Selection Committee 2009 - A showcase for Detroit area residents. Finalist would advance to the national level competitions, held in Atlanta.

Detroit Bring It Board Member 2009- A talent search competition for Detroit area residents.

In-Accord – President & CEO -In-Accord is a 501© 3 non profit organization, which promotes youth music students through mentoring and support. In-Accord's involvements include, but are not limited to:

Kids & Jazz – A free music workshop for Metro Detroit music students held at Baker's Keyboard Lounge every Sunday.

If Only for One Moment – Middle school and High School students are showcased to be considered for the Teddy Harris Scholarship Award.

The Teddy Harris Jr. Award - Provides scholarships to Interlochen Center for the Arts.

A Legacy of Excellence Award - Is presented to a person which has exhibited a commitment to the nurturing and development of music in the community

The Spinnet - In-Accord's newsletter, which highlights young musicians, events, and information