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Background:

BA in Music from DePaul University and graduate studies in music at Northeastern Illinois University.

Studied Jazz saxophone and clarinet with Chicago's legendary Joe Daily, Andy McGee while at Berkley College of Music and Hobie Grimes at Depaul. I have also studied classical Saxophone with Robert Black (a student of Hempke and Londeix) at Depaul and Dave Reminick (a student of Donald Sinta) at NEIU. I have also studied flute with Victoria Grainer at DePaul and have taken Jazz piano and theory at the Alan Swan studios.

Studied the shakuhachi (bamboo zen flute) with grand master Michael Chikuzen Gould and apply aspects of shakuhachi to teaching jazz.

Played professionally in the Chicago area for over 30 yrs. in a variety situations, from the musical "Some Like it Cole" at the Apollo theatre to Columbian bands playing in Chicago clubs. I currently play weekly with Ron Barron and Friends at the Lake House in Lake Bluff, Jazz Wave Big Band alternate Sundays at the Three Brother Theater in Waukegan and periodically at the Hackney's on Lake with the Tuesday Night Big Band.