



Tim Brumfield, Biography

Tim Brumfield enjoys an extraordinary career as a pianist, organist, composer, arranger and clinician, receiving high praise from critics and audiences alike. He tours regularly as a soloist and featured musician, and is often asked to lecture on the art of improvisation. He currently serves as the Director of Music and Organist at Christ Church Riverdale (Episcopal), Bronx, New York.

He has been a member of the Grammy Award winning Paul Winter Consort since 1998 and has toured Europe performing in Denmark, Italy and France. Tim has collaborated in performance with such renowned artists as pianist Dave Brubeck, drummer Max Roach, legendary folk singer Judy Collins, the American Spiritual Ensemble, The American Brass Quintet, and The New York City Gay Men's Chorus at Carnegie Hall among others. Last year he had the special honor of performing for His Holiness the 14th Dalai Lama and was featured with saxophonist Paul Winter and the renowned Monks of the Drepung Loseling Monastery.

Tim served as Cathedral Organist at the world's largest gothic Cathedral—The Cathedral of St. John the Divine in New York City from 2002-2009. He has been featured on National Public Radio and toured with the Cathedral Choristers performing throughout the Northeast and Canada, and throughout England with performances at the famed Salisbury Cathedral and St. Paul's Cathedral, London. In addition to touring, Tim is also a gifted composer and arranger and most recently his composition "A Place Called Old Kentucky" was featured as part of the Alltech World Equestrian Games held in Lexington last past year.

Born in Richmond, Kentucky, Brumfield was first introduced to music at the age of three by his father, a self-taught pianist and fiddler. At age twelve, he had landed his first professional gig as church pianist at Red House Baptist Church where he mastered the art of hymn improvisation. Throughout his teen years he toured and concertized with several groups and eventually found his love for the pipe organ.

Tim recently received the distinguished award of Honorary Fellow of the National College of Music in London. He is managed by Brumfield & Associates.