

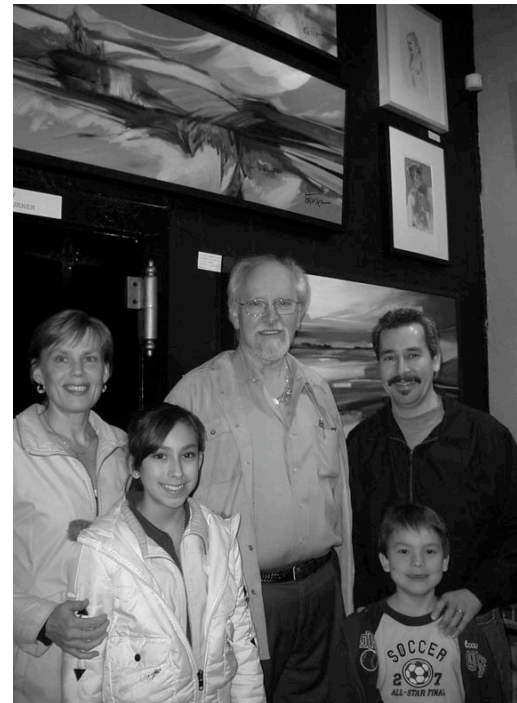
# My Heartfelt Thanks goes to:

- Roger and Audrey Kenderes for a great 45<sup>th</sup> band anniversary!
- Zig Kanstul-For fixing my trumpet and making it better than ever. The best horn I've ever played!
- Ronda Billerbeck-My long time friend at the city of Kent for your upcoming summer event at Kent Station!
- Shaun McCarthy- For allowing me to be part of your 50th Birthday party!
- Becky Stroebel-For your help inputting together Sean's party!
- Lacey Newton-Once again booking my band for your Bellevue Square event.
- Lona Graves-Booking the Red Hot Band for your upcoming City of Puyallup series
- Megan Clarke-Father/daughter dance-Caricaturist & Dance Instructors!
- Tim Farley-Jazz group for your open House/Employee Celebration event.
- Connie Krause-For booking your Steel Drum Band with me.
- Gary LaTurner Referral to King Co. Fair
- Jacky Grotle- For your wedding referral. I appreciate it!
- Peter Michaels-For your confidence and recent referral for the upcoming June 16 event. Much appreciated.
- Bruce Hudson-Camera Craftsmen of America International event!
- Julie Madahvi, Deanna Hobbs and team at Eastside Domestic Violence. It was an incredible night!
- Chea Grier-For once again booking your summer steel drum entertainment.

## Joke of the Month

While driving to work a box fell from the truck in front of me. I swerved to avoid hitting it. A policeman pulled me over for reckless driving. Fortunately another officer witnessed the event. They removed the box from the road and found it contained carpet tacks.

The first cop said "I 'll have to arrest you anyway. "Why officer?" I replied. "For tacks evasion" he said!



My family and I visited our good friend Gary LaTurner at a special art showing in Tacoma. His artwork (above us) was beautiful and inspiring. A true talent indeed!

## Hasta la vista baby!

Thanks for taking a few minutes to catch up on all the latest with me. The highest compliment I can receive is the referral of your friends, family and business associates. Thank you for your trust. I look forward to seeing your name entered in our Dream Cruise giveaway. Good luck!

Adios amigos,  
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# The Sonic Boom!

Good news arriving every month because you're important to me!

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## My Past Finally Catches Up!

I grew up in Southern California playing in a band that specialized in European music. We played dance hall music consisting of Polkas, Waltzes, Schottishes and lots more! It was a blast being able to earn my spending money during high school and college by making music. It gave me a realistic view into the world of performing and was one of the best things that I could have been involved with. The band was called The Villagers led by my longtime friend and mentor Roger Kenderes. The band is still in existence today and in April I attended a 45<sup>th</sup> anniversary bash for the band. Roger also received the highly coveted musician of the year award from a European music society in California!

People often ask me how is it possible that I know so many specialized and uncommon songs? We'll, the truth is, I learned most of them through my apprenticeship with Roger and his band. Congrats old friend!



Here I am playing the show finale in the zaniest band in California - Roger & The Villagers. Yeah that's me on the bass players shoulders!!! Just like the old days.

## Here's How You Can Receive FREE Medical Benefits By Booking The Red Hot Band!

December is not far off and now's the time to book your holiday entertainment. My Red Hot Bands holiday schedule is filling up and our New Years eve is already booked but we do have some prime dates still available. **Here's my Red Hot Offer of the month.**

**Book one of the Red Hot Band packages for your December event by July 15 and save \$250.00 or receive a 10% discount, which ever is greater!** You'll not only be getting the best band around, you'll also be ahead of the game and have one more item crossed off your to do list. There are also proven medical benefits to this. The New England Journal of Medicine states that "booking the Red Hot Band, early on, leads to joyous dancing and an overall good feeling. This results in lowered stress and blood pressure levels while increasing aerobic activity through dancing." Want to live a long, healthy and happy life? Hire the Red Hot Band for your next event and you'll be well on your way!





Steel drum music always takes you to the islands and creates a festive atmosphere!

Musical Quotes

Many of you have told me how much you like the quotes. Here are some others for you. Enjoy!

"What would men be without women? Scarce, Sir - mighty scarce." - Mark Twain

"Opera is when a guy gets stabbed in the back and, instead of bleeding, he sings." - Ed Gardner

"Most rock journalism is people who can't write interviewing people who can't talk for people who can't read." -Frank Zappa

"The Irish gave the bagpipes to the Scotts as a joke, but the Scotts haven't seen the joke yet." -Oliver Herford

"Music expresses that which cannot be said and on which it is impossible to be silent." -Victor Hugo

"Music is everybody's possession. It's only publishers who think that people own it." -John Lennon

"Music is the shorthand of emotion." -Leo Tolstoy

"Creativity shouldn't be following radio; it should be the other way around." -Herbie Hancock

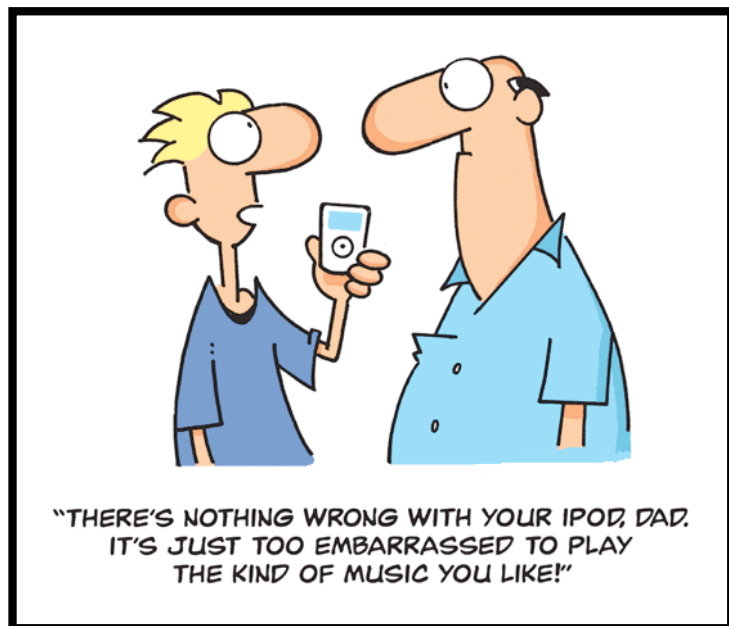
In The Spotlight Steel Drum Bands

Steel drum bands offer more than just music: they offer a complete tropical party experience!

Whether you're looking for background and wedding ceremony music or exciting dance music, our steel bands play everything from calypso to salsa and reggae; jazz and rock to classical. At your request they can even present an exciting Caribbean show that includes vocals, dancing and stilt-walking. They also know exactly how to involve your guests and give them a terrific time with dance lessons and sing-alongs as well as percussion play-alongs and more.

Broad Appeal & Flexibility

Are you afraid that it's going to be hard to choose a musical group that all your guests will like? Don't worry! My hand picked bands offer a proven and practical solution. Steel drum music is universally adored and will forge a musical bond among guests of all cultures and ages so that everyone has a great time. Finally, these groups can easily scale their size to fit your event needs and budget. Ring in the sounds of summer with one of our great steel drum bands!



"THERE'S NOTHING WRONG WITH YOUR IPOD, DAD. IT'S JUST TOO EMBARRASSED TO PLAY THE KIND OF MUSIC YOU LIKE!"

My Recent Educational Shows

Over the years I've performed as a guest soloist with many school bands at the middle school, high school and university levels. I've done this in Europe as well as in the states. It's extremely rewarding for me to work with budding young musicians who are interested in jazz.

In April I flew down to So. California to give a clinic to the Mayfair H.S. band. There I caught up with my old school mate and pal, Tom Philips. He's one of the best music directors anywhere and has developed an incredible, award winning band program in Lakewood, CA.

I also recently performed a concert with six Auburn, Washington schools that included:

- ❖ Cascade Middle School
❖ Rainier Middle School
❖ Mt. Baker Middle School
❖ Auburn High School
❖ Auburn Mountainview High School
❖ Auburn Riverside High School

There I rehearsed for one hour with each band throughout the day and then performed with each group at a concert the same night. Talk about a lot of playing! It was really fun and I made a lot of new friends. We also sold a bunch of cd's and are donating the profits back to the schools. It was a fantastic experience and one that I'll never forget.

If you have a child involved in a school band and would like to find out about one of my special educational concerts and clinics, please call or pass my number on to the band director. I'd be happy to discuss what I can do for your program.

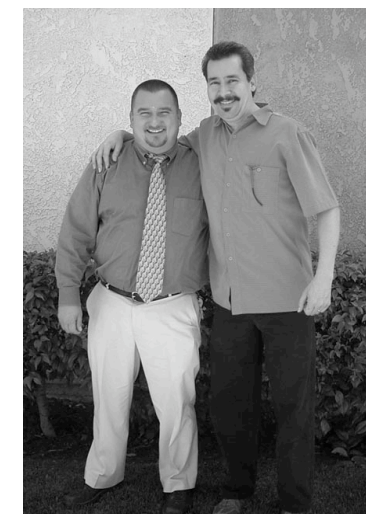


With Auburn Mountain View H.S. Jazz Band backstage! Rejoicing after a well played concert. These kids were GREAT!

My Trumpet Gets A Makeover!

As many of you know, I play on a customized Kanstul trumpet. This is a really, really great instrument that I absolutely love. Awhile back I managed to trip on a staircase while coming up onstage! This was a nightmare that came true after many years. I'll spare you all of the gory (and embarrassing) details. Needless to say, I damaged the bell of my horn and dented it all over.

Well, during my recent trip to So. Cal., I called up Mr. Kanstul himself and ask if he could squeeze my horn in for repairs. He told me to bring it down to his manufacturing plant in Anaheim (not far from Disneyland). He had it fixed quickly on a moments notice and performed magic on my beloved horn. You can't even tell that it was damaged and it plays better than ever! If your child is ever looking for an outstanding instrument consider a Kanstul. They make a huge line of the worlds finest brass instruments. For more info go to www.kanstul.com. THANKS ZIG!!!



With my old buddy Tom Philips after the music clinic at Mayfair H.S. in Lakewood CA. Thanks Tom!