**Paul Santa Maria**

Teacher • Musician • Author • Graphic Artist• Fine Artist

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**Music Accomplishments**

* Won four Daytime Emmy Awards for original music as in-house composer for WPBT (Channel 2) in Miami. From 1996-2002, I composed 665 different pieces of music for in-house children’s programming (KidVison, nationally syndicated) as well as other custom in house station ID’s, show intros, weather report, Happy Birthday Club and more.
* 2 Listings on www.imdb.com for feature film scores.
* Composed/performed music for PBS, Times Mirror Publications, Legacy for Life, Chaos Films, RC Cola, Home and Garden(HGTV) and Discovery Channel programs.
* Composed and performed theme for John Ratzenberger’s show *American Hobbies and Pastimes* on HGTV (1997 – 2002)
* Music teacher for 33 years. Taught more than 2,500 students.
* Authored “*The Guitar Explained”* instruction manual 2007 -2020.
* Authored “Introduction To Basic Music Theory For Any Instrument Or Voice” 2019
* Played with jazz guitar legend Larry Coryell numerous times, including on the Jimi Hendrix tribute albums *Voodoo Crossing* and *Gypsy Blood*.
* Composed and performed music for dance and theater groups for live performance.
* Composer for Alyn Darnay, Oscar-winning director and screenwriter.
* Composed and performed scores for 5 out of 7 finalist places for films cores for First Annual Wolfson Archives short film competition, Miami Florida 1997
* Composed and performed music for countless TV and Video presentations.
* Composed score for the 6th Annual South Beach Film Festival trailer (April 1999)
* Personal library of full songs in many diverse styles from country to rap, themes, snippets, samples and instrumentals stands at over 2500 pieces, with 198 for sale on iTunes, Amazon, WalMart, etc.

**Musician**

1970 – Present

Working Lead Guitarist/Bassist/Singer/Songwriter for more than 50 years.

Highlights include:

* All scores composed for all above listed accomplishments were also performed entirely by me on an Ensoniq ASR-10 or multi-tracked recordings playing all instruments/vocals
* Performing/ Recording with Jazz Legend Larry Coryell more than 40 times.
* Performed with The Platters, The Drifters, The Marvelettes, Tiny Tim, Spiral Starecase, The Box Tops, The Coasters, Bertie Higgins and members of Firefall.
* **Music Teacher of Guitar, Bass and Music Theory**
* 1985 – Present
* Private and public guitar, bass and theory instructor to 2,500+ students of all levels of experience.