

## ROD HARRIS JR

Grammy Nominated Jazz Guitarist Rod Harris Jr. is becoming a prevalent musical force and well known amongst jazz guitarists and musicians within the U.S and abroad. After spending much of the previous decade (2009 – 2019) recording, touring and performing with various legendary artists spanning multiple musical genres, RHJ is emerging as a notable artist and jazz guitarist in his own right. In 2016, RHJ released his debut jazz-funk album "The Counsel Of Elders", which pays homage to jazz guitar luminaries Wes Montgomery, Grant Green, George Benson, and Kenny Burrell. In March 2018, Rod released his well-anticipated hiphop/jazz EP entitled "Exits & Options". The "X/O" Ep features renditions of classic songs as well as original material. In 2018, RHJ received a Grammy Nomination for his guitar work and musical contributions on Neo-Soul Legend Musiq Soulchild's album "Feel The Real".

Rod can also be seen performing in the hit film biopics "Cadillac Records" (starring Beyoncé and Adrian Brody), "Bessie" - (starring Queen Latifah) and most recently season 2 of BET's "American Soul" (Feb 2020) and the National Geographic series "The American Genius: Aretha Franklin" (starring Cynthia Erivo).

Most recently, Rod has released a duo album with prominent Atlanta bassist Tommy Sauter entitled "The Duo Sessions: Celebrating The Music Of Jazz Piano Legends" and is scheduled to release an additional hip/hop jazz ep entitled "RELEVANCE", which features award winning guest artists such as Russell Gunn, vocalist Christie Dashiell, drummer Terreon Gully and more.

## **Education**

Bachelor's in Business - Management B.B.A - Georgia State University -2004

Master's in Music - Degree in Jazz Studies M.M.A - Georgia State University - 2013