

DEE DESNOYERS, DRUMS

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PRIMARY INSTRUMENTS: Drums; West African drums and percussion

RECENT SHOWS

<i>Tenderly: The Rosemary Clooney Musical</i>	Drums	Theatre SilCo <i>Dir. Kenneth Moten; MD Sarah Novak</i>
<i>The Wizard of OZ</i>	Drums	Fort Collins Children's Theatre <i>Conductor Aimee Woods</i>
<i>Be More Chill</i>	Drums	Places Everyone <i>Conductor Austin Naylor</i>

PERFORMANCE EXPERIENCE

<i>A Candlelight Christmas</i>	Djembe	The Larimer Chorale <i>Conductor Michael Todd Krueger</i>
<i>Educational & Cultural Performances</i>	West African Drums	Fort Collins African Drum & Dance Collective 501©(3)
<i>Adult Band</i>	Drums	School of Rock Atlanta & Fort Collins

TEACHING & FACILITATION EXPERIENCE

<i>Adult West African Drumming Classes</i>	Instructor	Drum Club, Atlanta & No. Colorado
<i>Corporate Leadership Development Programs</i>	Lead Facilitator/Sales African Percussion	Sewa Beats USA, Winston-Salem, NC <i>Managing Partner Bill Scheidt</i>
<i>Youth West African Drumming Ensemble</i>	Director	Purpose Built Schools, Atlanta <i>Jovan Miles & Luqman Abdur-Rahman</i>

TRAINING

<i>Rock, pop, jazz, blues, country, Broadway</i>	Drums	School of Rock Fort Collins <i>Instructors Ben Eberle & Jordan Pasquin</i>
<i>2026 Intensive Study Tour, Guinea, West Africa</i>	Djembe/Dunun	Grandmaster Bolokada Conde
<i>West African Drumming Instructor Certification</i>	Djembe/Dunun	Tam Tam Mandingue Winston-Salem <i>Dir: Bill Scheidt</i>
<i>Therapeutic Drumming Instructor Certification</i>	Djembe/Dunun	Youth Villages Inner Harbour, GA <i>Dir. Tom Harris</i>

AWARDS & RECOGNITION

<i>2026 City of Fort Collins Artist Opp. Grant</i>	Djembe/Dunun	FoCo Creates Grant Program <i>Lead Specialist Solara Clark</i>
<i>Apprentice Level 4</i>	Djembe/Dunun	Tam Tam Mandingue Djembe Academy <i>Dir. Kelvin Kew</i>
<i>Most Outstanding Master's Graduate</i>	Counseling	University of New Orleans <i>Prof. Barbara Herlihy</i>
<i>Bachelor of Arts with Distinction</i>	Anthropology	University of Virginia <i>Prof. Kyra Gaunt</i>

OTHER EDUCATION

<i>B.A.</i>	Anthropology Ethnomusicology	University of Virginia
<i>M.Ed.</i>	Counseling	University of New Orleans
<i>Ph.D.</i>	Counseling	University of New Orleans
Certification (Child & Adolescent)	Psychoanalytic Psychotherapy	Cincinnati Psychoanalytic Institute <i>Supervisor Sydney Anderson, Ph.D.</i>
Certification (Adult)	Psychoanalytic Psychotherapy	Emory Univ. Psychoanalytic Institute <i>Supervisor Karen Schwartz, Ph.D.</i>

OTHER WORK EXPERIENCE

<i>Psychotherapist (2008 - Current)</i>	Children, Adolescents & Adults	Private Practice: Georgia & Colorado
<i>Adjunct Instructor Clinical Supervisor</i>	Child & Adolescent Psychotherapy	Cincinnati Psychoanalytic Institute

SKILLS

- Extensive ensemble performance experience
- Leadership and team collaboration
- Psychological Consulting for Theatre: Consulting with directors and actors on character development, psychological dynamics, and accurate portrayals of psychotherapy.

GEAR

- Gretsch Catalina Birch Kit suitable for rock, pop, jazz, and Broadway
- Zildjian A/K/Constantinople cymbals
- Auxiliary Percussion (e.g., cowbell, tambourine, vibraslap, triangle, etc.)
- Traditional West African Instruments: djembe, dunun and balafon