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Michael Drew

Teacher Bio

Michael started taking piano lessons when he turned nine years old. As any reluctant youth would be so accustomed to do, he didn't take his musical aspirations very seriously-----much to his parents' chagrin. Days after the September 11 attacks, Michael was watching the "Concert for New York" and was so inspired by the gifted musicians that he vowed to learn how to play guitar. Thus began his dedication to music and Michael's decision to ensure that it would always be a main focus of his life. Throughout high school, Michael practiced the guitar for five hours a day, proving to himself and his parents that even though he did not come from a musical family, nothing was going to stop him from making his dream become a reality. To hone his skills on a deeper level, Michael studied classical guitar and music theory at Judson University. This decision proved worthwhile. Michael realized that teaching others how to play guitar and piano was a great way to earn a living while continuing to play music.

Michael was a member of one the hottest up and coming Chicago-based alternative rock bands, Adora. The band has received a host of national press, including mentions in AP magazine, and band highlights on FUSE TV. Adora has played many of the top Chicago venues, including sold out show at the Metro and House of Blues. The band completed their second EP in 2012.

Michael also is engaged in a number of personal musical projects. He provides worship music and assistance for his local church, he is in a cover band that tours local venues, and he has completed his first solo EP.