

Dave Nelson

Bio

Playing drums for over 35 years, David J Nelson has developed a diverse style that becomes evident when looking at his performance credits: Swing Caravan (Gypsy Jazz), Viva Quetzal (Latin and afro-Cuban), Shakey Steve and the Blue Cats (R&B), Wilbur and the Dukes (R&B) Ed Vadas and the Fabulous Heavyweights (Blues), Chuck and Mud (Folk and Children's music), New Horizon Band (Reggae and Calypso), John Colby (Music director for the Clarence Clemons Band) Jim Kaminski (Blues Rock) as well as various musical productions and freelance work.

Even after studying for many years with the great Alan Dawson, Dave continues to study and explore the world's music. He encourages his students to do the same and shares his knowledge of drumming through his teaching practice of 20 plus years, currently including Greenfield Community College (Greenfield MA), Got Chops Music (Greenfield MA), and the Fine Arts Department in the Westborough MA Public Schools.