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Personal Statement

Passionate drummer and Latin percussionist with 16 years of experience, dedicated to inspiring students through dynamic and immersive music education. Skilled in both traditional and contemporary percussion styles, I emphasize rhythm, creativity, and cultural appreciation in my teaching. With international performance experience and a strong background in mentoring musicians, I strive to create engaging learning experiences.

Education & Certifications

- Grade 8 in Drums, Trinity College London
 - Grade 5 in Music Theory, Trinity College London
 - Currently preparing for ATCL Examination, Trinity College London
 - Completed Higher Secondary Education (Equivalent to A-Levels)
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Skills & Expertise

- Began my musical journey with Guitar, later transitioning to Drums & Latin Percussion.
 - 16 years of experience in Drums and 14 years in Latin Percussion (Conga, Bongo, Timbale, Cajón, Maracas, Güira, Güiro).
 - Proficient in Keyboard/Synthesizer.
 - Experience in arranging, composing, and conducting music workshops.
 - Knowledge of Latin, Jazz, Afro-Cuban, and Contemporary World Music.
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Professional Experience

Trishan School of Music (April 2023 – Present)

Instructor – Drums & Latin Percussion

- Teaching drums and Latin percussion to students of various skill levels.
- Developing curriculum and leading workshops.

Birla Bharati High School (April 2016 – March 2023)

Drums & Percussion Teacher | Music Teacher | Band Coordinator

- Led the school's music program and mentored students in both individual and group performances.
- Directed the school band to multiple awards:
 - **CONCORD 2018**: 2nd place (Acoustic Event) & 1st place (Western Band Competition).
 - **CONCORD 2019**: 3rd place (Acoustic Event) & 2nd place (Acoustic Event).
 - **BB Beats 2019**: 1st place (Inter-school competition).
 - **Swatantram 2022**: 1st place.
- Organized workshops to enhance students' musical proficiency and performance skills.

The Institute of Instrumental Music (TIIM) (January 2019 – January 2020)

Drums & Latin Percussion Instructor

- Provided individual and group lessons on drums and Latin percussion.
- Contributed to student performances and school events.

Academy for Musical Excellence (AMEC) (March 2015 – May 2015)

Music Instructor

- Conducted lessons on drumming techniques, diverse musical styles, and music theory.

MP Birla Foundation Higher Secondary School (October 2015 – February 2016)

Drums Faculty

- Conducted lessons on drumming techniques.

Tarang School of Music (June 2015 – December 2016)

Drums Faculty

- Taught drumming techniques and multiple musical styles.

Workshops Conducted

- **Assistant to Late Mr. Monojit Dutta, "Let The River Flow" (April 2014 – September 2017)**

- Assisted in conducting workshops on drums and Latin percussion.
 - **Independent Drum Workshops (2023 – 2024)**
 - Led workshops focused on drum techniques and rhythm.
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Notable Performances

- **International Dance Fiesta 2014** – With *Let The River Flow*
 - **International Drum Fiesta 2014**
 - **Jamshedpur Fest 2015** – With *Orient Express*
 - **Kolkata Latin Festival 2016** – With *Clave Mantra & Monojit Dutta & Friends*
 - **Kolkata Latin Festival 2017** – With *Orient Express*
 - **Muscat, Oman (2019)** – With *folk band Ujaan*
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Awards & Recognitions

- **Winner** – Annual Students Concert, *Calcutta School of Music* (May 2013)
- **Drum Solo Performance** – *World Music Day* (June 2013)

Additional Skills

- **Microsoft Office Suite** – Word, Excel, PowerPoint
- **Familiar with AI Tools** (e.g., ChatGPT, productivity tools)
- Document creation and formatting
- Presentation design and execution