

# Billy Baker BA (Hons)

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## **Background**

- Billy was born in Cheshire but grew up in Dorset learning his instrument through Dorset county youth orchestras. He also held the position of Head Percussionist in the award winning Purbeck School jazz and concert bands.
- Professional work has seen him tour the UK and Europe.

## **Education and Qualifications:**

2000 – 2004 Purbeck School, Wareham, Dorset  
10 GCSEs, grades A-B, 3 A levels, grades A-B

2004 – 2005 The Academy of Contemporary Music  
BTEC National Certificate in Music Performance  
BA (Hons) Degree in Music Performance

Other Qualifications/Awards: A Level Grade 8 Drum Kit, Grade 5 Music Theory, Dorset Young Drummer of the Year 1999.

## **Previous Work & Experience**

**Theatre:** Various musicals and shows in the North West, Dorset and Surrey Including music from:

Carousel, Chicago, Calamity Jane, HMS Pinafore, Les Miserables, Oklahoma, The Wizard of Oz, Hot Mikado, Moby Dick, the Lion King, Grease, music from James Bond, Phantom of the Opera, Riverdance, Cats & Miss Saigon.

**Tuition:** Teaching bases held in Bournemouth, Guildford & Reading

**TV Work:** Sony Walkman, 'Music in Pieces' advert for commercial television.

**Bands:** Musical works published with artists; The Coronation, The Skies and 51/50s. Sessions recorded for radio including Kerrang! Radio Birmingham. 51/50s album 'Dangerous State of Mind' released 29<sup>th</sup> June '09. Various session gigs.

## **Equipment**

- Pearl drums
- Sabian & Zildjian cymbals
- Roland V electronic drumkit
- Alesis electronic drum pads
- Various hand held percussion

## **Other info**

Place of Birth: Crewe

Licence/travel: Full driving licence & own transport

2nd Instruments: Vocals, keyboard, acoustic guitar.

CRB checked and public liability insurance held.

## **References:**

References available on request.