

MUSIC INSTRUCTOR

JOHN LUMPKIN II

John Lumpkin II is a producer, arranger, and artist through the Jazz and Gospel scene. He obtained a Bachelor's Degree in Jazz Studies from the University of North Florida under the direction of Danny Gottlieb and Master's Degree from Florida State University under the leadership of Leon Anderson. John grew up in the pentecostal church and still plans to exercise his gifts there as well as other national venues. However, he says "The church is the root of my zeal for music and forever shall be".

While carrying his talents between Japan and Switzerland, he has also been a part of Jazz At Lincoln Centers Artist in Residency Program. In 2017 Wynton Marsalis combined with the Dr. Phillips Fine Arts Center in Orlando, FL to create the Dr. Phillips Jazz Orchestra which John was a part of.

Throughout his career John has shared the stage with greats such as Rodney Whitaker, Delfeayo Marsalis, Wycliff Gordon, Marcus Roberts, Arturo Sandoval, Curtis Fuller, Marcus Printup, Houston Person, Rufus Reid, Ben Tucker, James Moody, Nathan Davis, and David Baker. From serving on staff at the University of North Florida and Douglas Anderson School of the Arts, he is also the founder of the Jazz Discovery Series, Jonah Sofa Jazz Sessions, and The Covenant that extends to the community based in Jacksonville, FL. His level of expectancy drives him to see many other things emerging from his gift of music to the world.