



Musicians In Action, Inc.

EMPOWERING MUSICIANS • STRENGTHENING COMMUNITIES •
TRANSFORMING LIVES THROUGH MUSIC

NON-PROFIT 501(C)3 ORGANIZATION



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Jimmy Valentine



Ronald Tyson



Charles Moody



Welcome to Musicians In Action (MIA)

Thank you for taking the time to learn about Musicians In Action. At MIA, we believe music is more than melody—it's a movement. A spark for connection, transformation, and community healing. Whether you're a musician, a passionate supporter, or a potential partner, your presence here matters—and we're thrilled to have you with us.

As you explore the heart of our mission, you'll discover how mentorship, education, and authentic collaboration fuel our commitment to empowering musicians and uplifting the communities they serve. Our team is here to support you, and we look forward to the possibilities of working together.



Tony (TJ) Fisher



Garrison Brown



Ervin Pope



Who We Are

Founded by award-winning community leaders Gerald and Jacque Malone, Musicians In Action (MIA) exists at the intersection of music, ministry, and mentorship. Through creative programming, intergenerational dialogue, and a deep love for Gospel music, MIA cultivates spaces where musicians grow not only in skill, but in spirit.

Based in Los Angeles, the Malones are nationally recognized for their dedication to church musicianship and community service. Honored by the National Association of Negro Musicians Inc. and numerous city and county agencies, they've shaped the lives of countless individuals through education, music programs, and leadership in initiatives such as the Martin Luther King Commemorative Alliance and Scholarship Committee. Their lasting affiliations with organizations like the Heritage Music Foundation and the Gospel Music Workshop of America speak to a legacy rooted in both excellence and compassion.

As mentors and advocates, Gerald and Jacque have long been a trusted source of encouragement for musicians seeking purpose, healing, and connection.



GERALD & JACQUE MALONE
Founders

MIA BOARD MEMBERS

Gerald Malone – President

Jacquelyn Malone, CEO

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Who Are Musicians In Action

Mission & Vision

Musicians In Action is dedicated to uplifting young people, strengthening communities, and equipping Gospel musicians for success through the transformative power of music and mentorship. Our vision is built on the profound belief that dialogue and collaboration inherently strengthen both musicianship and faith within the church and broader communities.



Euro Zambrano and Jacque Malone



Tosh Petersen

Problem / Opportunity

Musicians In Action addresses critical gaps in support for Gospel musicians and young people in marginalized communities.

We provide a platform for musicians to strengthen their ministry, navigate interpersonal relationships, and refine their craft.

Beyond music, MIA empowers youth to break cycles of violence and build futures rooted in creativity and service.

Programs like the Drum Clinic have demonstrated a profound need for continued expansion, reaching more young musicians with mentorship and technical development.

With increasing demand, MIA is positioned to scale its impact—offering a safe space for musicians facing challenges and cultivating the next generation of leaders in church music ministry.



Gordon Campbell



History & Background

For **over three decades**, since its inception in 1992, Musicians In Action has consistently united musicians across denominations. MIA was fundamentally **built on the belief that dialogue and collaboration strengthen both musicianship and faith.**

Our long-standing history demonstrates our unwavering commitment to empowering Gospel musicians through mentorship, education, and a relentless pursuit of artistic excellence. Musicians In Action continues to **grow and adapt, evolving to meet the changing needs of musicians and youth** in our communities. We have consistently addressed key challenges in church music ministry and mentorship throughout our legacy.



How We Serve



Target Audience & Community Served

Musicians In Action (MIA) is dedicated to uplifting young people, strengthening communities, and equipping Gospel musicians for success through music and mentorship.

Our programs foster creativity, leadership, and unity, providing both technical training and spiritual encouragement for musicians at every level.



Our Programs

MIA creates transformative opportunities for musicians and youth, ensuring that talent is nurtured, communities are strengthened, and faith is deepened through the power of music.



Workshops & Mentorship

Engaging young musicians through hands-on learning, fostering a deep understanding of Gospel music's roots.

Drum Clinic

Welcoming drummers of all ages and skill levels, providing expert guidance and mentorship.

Awards Gala

Honoring unsung heroes of church music ministry, recognizing their dedication and impact.

Scholarship Programs

Investing in emerging talent, ensuring the next generation has access to education, resources, and professional development.

Musicians In Action, Inc.
Presents
Celebrating our Mothers

3 Tenors & a Baritone

Saturday, May 17, 2025
5:00 Post Meridian

Music Director
Byron J. Smith

Special Guest Artist
Pam Blackmon-Kendle

People's Independent Church of Christ
5856 West Blvd. Los Angeles, CA 90043

FREE EVENT
MIA a 501(c)3 Non-profit Organization
www.musicians-in-action.com

21ST ANNUAL MIA DRUM CLINIC

- Drumming Perspectives -

THEME: NEW GENERATION

#M2K24 #NEWGENERATION

SPECIAL GUEST
GARRISON BROWN

APRIL 27, 2024

FAITHFUL CENTRAL BIBLE CHURCH - LIVING ROOM
400 W. FLORENCE, INGLEWOOD, CA

* REGISTRATION \$20.00
REGISTRATION @ 8:30 A.M.
SESSIONS START @ 9:30 A.M. - 2:00 P.M.

Special Breakout Sessions:
Sight Reading 101 (Tj Fisher)
Latin Percussion (Euro Zambrano)
Being A Drum Tech (Shwakare Broom)
Drum Session for Beginners (Greg Dendly)
Branding & Touring (Ervin Pope)

-plus-
* Catching The Rhythm - Drum Line Crash Course (Ron Tyson)
* Drumming Styles - (Antwoine Pierce)
* Highlights of New Generation Drummers
Special Tribute Honoring Aaron Spears

EVENTBRITE.COM/E/881612254987
OR REGISTER VIA QR CODE

ENDORSEMENTS: FAITHFUL CENTRAL BIBLE CHURCH, GUITAR CENTER, MUSIC FOUNDATION, ZILDJIAN, D&S GROUP, WATER, POPEYES, CHRIS HART, PAiSE, VIC FIRTH, SABIAN, SOULTONE, BEMO, Pearl, Global Care, SPAIN, Chick-fil-A, TAMA, RichSticks, YAMAHA

Gospel Plays Classically

Virtually

SAT, DEC 17TH @ 6 PM (PST)

YouTube LIVE

Facebook.com/mialosangelesevents
Youtube.com/@musiciansinactioninc./streams

Iron sharpens iron

So one man sharpens another

Music Ministry Summit & Workshop

"As iron sharpens iron, so one man sharpens another." — Proverbs 27:17

Saturday, June 7, 2025

McCoy Memorial Baptist Church
802 E. 46th Street, Los Angeles, CA 90001

Register via Zelle <https://musicians-in-action.com>
or register and pay at the door with cash or credit card

#ironssharpensiron2025

27th Swords Gala

MUSICIANS IN ACTION
Saturday, November 16, 2019
Six o'clock in the Evening
Renaissance Airport Hotel
9620 Airport Boulevard • Los Angeles, CA 90045

Jacqueline Malone presents

MUSIC PRODUCTION

w/ Session Facilitator
Ervin "EP" Pope
2X Grammy Award Winner / Music Producer / Musician / Film Composer

Sept 23, 2023
Part I @ 9 AM - 11:30 AM
Part II @ 12:30 PM - 1:30 PM

Workshop Location:
Liberty Baptist Church
1500 W. 51st Place, Los Angeles, CA
For more information call (323) 777-3213

All Ages Welcome!

FREE WORKSHOP join us!

SCAN ME

RSVP TODAY! <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/music-production-tickets-717329841867>

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FUNDING & PARTNERSHIPS

Let's Build Something Meaningful—Together

We invite you to explore **PARTNERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES** and be part of something bigger. **YOUR INVESTMENT MAKES A DIFFERENCE.** Reach out today to learn how you can help drive lasting change through music.

Investing in Music, Mentorship & Community

At Musicians In Action, Inc., we believe in the power of music **AS A CATALYST FOR CHANGE**—uplifting communities, inspiring young people, and equipping musicians with the tools to thrive.

Through strategic partnerships, we expand access to **TRANSFORMATIVE PROGRAMS**, ensuring aspiring musicians receive **MENTORSHIP, EDUCATION, and ARTISTIC DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES** that shape their future. MIA thrives because of community support. Your contributions allow us to continue offering transformative programs that foster mentorship, artistry, and unity in music. Thank you for making this possible!” By supporting MIA, you **FUEL CREATIVITY, LEADERSHIP, AND EMPOWERMENT**—helping us cultivate a legacy of excellence in Gospel music and community impact.



Sheila E. and C.Von Parchman



Scholarships

2020-2021

SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

TOTAL AMOUNT AWARDED \$18,000

2020 RECIPIENTS

Lauren Ellis	Jason Hicks
Cameron Lee	DaQuon Robinson
Dominic Anzalone	Sydney Kelley
Rebecca Webster	Jonathan Paxton
Grace Kim	Ashley Fulton
Jim Liu Ziming	Johnny May
Echan Keum	Ayoni Thompson
Serenity Thomas	Jordyn Warren
Leah Scurlock	

2021 RECIPIENTS

Justin Gilmore-Gresham
Kyle Tolbert
Nathan Davenport



Harvey Mason Scholarship

Harvey Mason is a celebrated jazz drummer, producer, and composer, best known for his work with Herbie Hancock's Headhunters, as a founding member of Fourplay, and for performing with legends like Erroll Garner, George Shearing, and Freddie Hubbard. He's also a prolific session musician whose versatility spans jazz, pop, R&B, and beyond.

Victor McElhaney Scholarship

Victor McElhaney was a gifted jazz drummer and dedicated active member of USC's Center for Black Cultural and Student Affairs, as well as the Afro Latin American Jazz Ensemble and various student combos at the Thornton School of Music. A professional musician since the age of 19, he was on a rising path of artistic greatness before his untimely passing.



MEMBERSHIP

Be part of a movement that uplifts musicians and ministries. Musicians In Action offers a thriving community for Gospel musicians to connect, learn, and grow.

With an annual membership of \$65, members gain access to:

- **Exclusive workshops and mentorship opportunities** tailored to church musicians.
- **Forums to navigate challenges** in ministry and interpersonal relationships.
- **A safe space for dialogue and support**, where musicians connect, share experiences, and navigate challenges together.
- **Celebration and recognition** through events like the Annual Music Ministry Awards.
- **Engagement in arts, wellness, and cultural initiatives**, shaping the next generation of musicians.



TESTIMONIALS

Dr. Carolyn Kimble-Singleton

Music Ministry Coordinator, Retired Educator, Pianist/Organist & Accompanist

What can I say about Musicians In Action (M.I.A.)?

“ Being affiliated since its early days has been both a blessing and a pleasure! As a musician, music educator, and lifelong church music minister, I’ve found MIA to be a true ministry in action—an organization that genuinely serves.

MIA has uplifted church musicians, pastors, students, and the broader community through meaningful programs and events. Whether it’s meetings, workshops, fellowships, or concerts, every experience I’ve had has been timely and impactful.

Over my five decades of service—from Holy Light Baptist Church to leading the Delta Choraliens of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, and serving with NANM, GMWA, and the Heritage Music Foundation—I’ve seen firsthand how vital MIA is. Their work touches every aspect of music ministry: honoring leaders, nurturing youth through Drum Clinics, and presenting concerts and Gospel plays that fill the gap where arts education has been stripped away.

MIA gives young people the chance to grow alongside professionals across both sacred and secular stages and in diverse musical styles. Hats off to Founders Gerald and Jacque Malone for all you’ve done and continue to do. I LOVE MIA!”



C. Von Parchman

6x Entertainment

“In 1994, I was honored to receive the Chenaniah Award from an organization called Musicians In Action, founded by the dynamic husband-and-wife team, Jacque and Gerald Malone. That moment marked the beginning of a relationship that has spanned over 30 years—and counting.

Throughout my time with MIA, I’ve had the privilege of serving as the face and lead facilitator of the MIA Drum Clinic, which is now approaching its 24th anniversary. The goal of the clinic has always been to expose children in underserved, urban communities to the world of drumming. We bring in renowned drummers to teach students how to read drum charts, demonstrate a wide range of techniques, and share real-life experiences from touring and working professionally in the industry.

Thanks to the generosity of our sponsors, we’ve been able to give away more than \$700,000 worth of drums and percussion gear over the years—investing directly into the next generation of musicians.

Musicians In Action was created to acknowledge and honor musicians and musical directors who faithfully serve in churches but are often overlooked. To date, more than 300 individuals have been recognized through this initiative.

Beyond awards, MIA provides a safe, supportive space for musicians to



TESTIMONIALS

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share their experiences, frustrations, and personal challenges—particularly those that arise within church environments. One of the standout programs is our quarterly gathering, “Iron Sharpening Iron,” which brings musicians together to uplift, encourage, and pour into one another.

As the overseer of the Drum Clinic, it’s been an incredible joy to witness young students who started with us as kids mature into successful adults—many of whom have gone on to perform with some of the world’s top artists. That’s the true heartbeat of Musicians In Action: investing in people, cultivating talent, and building a legacy of excellence and community.

Gordon Blacknell

A Legacy of Faith and Music

“Musicians In Action is more than a name--it’s faith, partnership, and worship in motion. For 33 years, MIA has mentored and inspired young musicians while uplifting and honoring the gifts of gospel artists and beyond. It’s not just music--it’s Ministry In Action.”

Donald Webber

Musician/Songwriter

“I have been a member of Musicians In Action (M.I.A.) since the 1990’s. The leadership of Jacque & Gerald Malone has been outstanding from its inception! Over the years, I have met so many great musicians and formed some lifetime friends.

I had the privilege to present the first Computer/Synthesizer Sequencing Clinic for Musicians in Action. I also received MIA’s Music Ministry Award in 1994.

If you are a musician, you owe it to yourself to consider joining M.I.A. to strengthen your musicianship through their music clinics and expand your circle of musical friends, through their extensive network of talented musicians.”



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