Jerome Flood II A Champion Drummer

Young, gifted and an amazing Progressive Rock drummer Jerome Flood II has traveled the globe electrifying music lovers with his God-given and professional performances. The Rochester, New York native has had drumming engagements in 10 countries.

At age 21, Jerome competed in and won the 2008 **20th Guitar Center Drum Off**, beating out 5,000 other drummers from across the United States. Jerome won several regional competitions before squaring off against other accomplished drummers in the finals of the Guitar Center Competition where he was crowned "America's Top Undiscovered Drummer".

This competition was judged by a panel of America's most influential drummers: Taylor Hawkins (Foo Fighters), Kenny Aronoff, The Rev (Avenged Sevenfold), Danny Carey (Tool), and Trevor Lawrence, Jr. (Snoop Dogg/Dr. Dre), Drew Hester (Foo Fighters/Joe Walsh), Atom Willard (Angels & Airwaves, Alan White (Yes), and Frank Zummo (Street Drum Corps).

A decade later Jerome is a Drum Degree teacher at the Atlanta Institute of Music & Media; offers online Drum Lessons at thefloodnation.com and soundslice.com/jeromeflood2. As a teacher and mentor Jerome contextualizes the concept of rhythmic displacement, a topic which will not only have his students stepping out of their usual rhythmic comfort zone, but will greatly improve their hand/foot independence. He also has a product line which includes albums and the Jerome Flood Custom Vic Firth Sticks.

In 2016 Jerome established **Floodgeight,** an Atlanta based rock band with incredible musical drive, energy and focus. The band's first official single **Cosmosphere** is available on all digital platforms. The band is comprised of ---

Jerome's passion for drumming was first recognized at six months when he used pencils to play on the church pew while the choirs sang and the band played. His intense observance of the musicians, especially drummers, caught the attention of his parents who encouraged his youthful desire and nurtured his talent. At age 2 Jerome not only had drumsticks he had an official drum sets. Eventually, Jerome became the church's primary drummers and role model.

At age 16, Jerome was enrolled at Rochester's renowned Hochstein School of Music. There he was described by his teachers as having "creativity, fantastic speed and agility, and a great sense of humility." He continued his love and studies in Music Performance at Monroe Community College and the Atlanta Institute of Music.

The artists he's worked with include Musiq Soulchild, Ricardo Sanchez, Pastor Troy, Canton Jones, Travis Barker, R.L., August Alsina and Flatbush Zombies. These gigs have taken him throughout Europe, Asia and Africa.

From his beginnings in the church, his jazz studies in colleges and his wealth of professional experience, Jerome's unique background pushes the boundaries of contemporary drumming.

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Floodgeight Video
New Single – Cosmosphere
Floodgeight Live Performance:

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