

## Fame's 2021-22 Composer in Residence: Kent Klee

Kent Klee is an award-winning composer, arranger, performer, and educator. He attended the University of North Texas where he studied with legendary jazz drummer Ed Soph. He graduated from IPFW with a bachelor's degree in music performance. He completed his post Graduate work with a master's degree in Music Performance from Ball State University. He has taught at both the University of Notre Dame and Ball State University. He has been the director of percussion at Homestead High School for 27 years.

As a composer/arranger and teacher, Kent has won 8 Indiana Marching Band State Championships, and 1 W.G.I. National Championship. He has taught percussion at over 40 High School Band Programs and has taught Hundreds of Private Students.

Kent has performed with several Grammy Award winning artists and has toured with several regional acts. He currently performs with the Jim Steel Trio, the Kent Klee Quartet, Expanding Man, and the Fort Wayne based Rock/Pop Band Fawn Liebowitz. Kent is an Innovative Percussion Artist.

