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EDUCATION

MA, Folklore, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, 1990.
BA, Ethnomusicology, Friends World College, 1987.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Founder and President, Music Maker Relief Foundation, 1994-present.
Provided sustenance support and career development to over 400 artists.
Manager to Robert Finley, Leyla McCalla, Alexa Rose, Guitar Gabriel, Etta Baker.
Manager, GRAMMY winning stringband, Carolina Chocolate Drops, 2006-2014.
Founder and Producer, Pinnacle Productions/Lucky Guitar Music, 1998-present.
278 records issued.
Photographer, Winston Blues, 1998-1999.
\$14 million ad campaign. 110 monthlies, 80 national magazines, and Rolling Stone magazine spread.
Producer, Cello Recordings, 1997-1999.
Producer, N2K Records, 1995-1997.

NOTABLE ACHIEVEMENTS

Photography published in editorials of notable periodicals such as the New York Times, the Oxford American, and others.
Administered relief funds in the wake of Hurricane Katrina and the Baton Rouge floods.
Producer for over 200 records in addition to 17 records for the French label Dixie Frog.
Producer for the films Toot Blues and Blues Stories.
Creator of the Music Maker Blues Revue.
Founder of the Congressional Blues Festival in Washington DC's Kennedy Center.

AWARDS

2019 International Photography Awards: 2nd Place in Professional Book/People Category
2019 Prix de la Photographie Paris: Gold in Book/Fine Art, Bronze in Portraiture/Culture
2018 PhotoSpiva Award for Body of Work, 1st Place.
2014 Pauli Murray Award for the pursuit of equality, justice and human rights for all residents of Orange County, NC
2007 NC Folklore Society Community Traditions Award (Music Maker Relief Foundation)
2004 ABC News "Person of the Week" for support of musicians.
2000 The Blues Foundation Keeping the Blues Alive Award.

- 1997 eAchievement Award for Social and Environmental Impact from E-Town.
1997 Lifetime Achievement Award from National Resophonic Guitars.

SELECTED GRANTS

National Endowment for the Arts

- “Our Living Past: Music Maker Tintypes and Song Series” Kentucky tour (2016-2017)
Folk and Traditional Arts: to support live roots music performances to accompany “We Are the Music Makers!” multimedia exhibit (2015-2016)
“We Are the Music Makers!” NC tour (2013-2014)
“Music Maker Roots and Leaves” (2011-2012)

North Carolina Arts Council

- New Realities Initiative (2011, 2017)
Statewide Services Grant (2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018)

Mid Atlantic Arts Foundation

- US Artists International Grant, “Byron Bay Bluesfest” (2013, 2014, 2015)
US Artists International Grant, “Zinc Blues and Burghausen International Jazz Festival.” (2011)

North Carolina Humanities Council Grassroots Grant

- “Freight Train Blues.” (2016-17, 2017-18)
“We Are the Music Makers Blues Revue” (2012-13, 2014-15, 2015-16)

Orange County Arts Commission Grants (2011, 2014, 2015)

Orange County Economic Development Grant (2015)

Mary Duke Biddle Foundation

- “Music Maker Jubilee: Celebrating Piedmont String Bands” (2012)
“We Are the Music Makers!” (2013-2014)
“Torchbearers in Residence” (2016-2017)

PUBLICATIONS

- Hanging Tree Guitars*, the Bitter Southerner, August 2020
Blue Muse, UNC Press & New Orleans Museum of Art, 2019
BLUE, 21st Editions, 2017
We Are the Music Makers!, Nautilus, 2014
Music Makers: Portraits and Songs From the Roots of America, Hill Street Press, 2000

SELECTED EXHIBITIONS

- 2019
Rubenstein Arts Center at Duke University, Durham, NC
The New Orleans Museum of Art. New Orleans, LA

2018

The Nasher Museum of Art. Durham, NC
Florida Museum of Photographic Arts. Tampa, FL
Imperial Centre for Arts & Sciences. Rocky Mount, NC
Turchin Center for the Visual Arts. Boone, NC
Gregg Museum of Art & Design. Raleigh, NC

2017

Norton Center for the Arts. Danville, KY
Henderson Fine Arts Center. Henderson, KY
Alexandria Museum of Art. Alexandria, LA
Huntsville Museum of Art. Huntsville, AL

2016

Hartsfield Jackson International Airport. Atlanta, GA
Clifton Center. Louisville, KY

2015

Florida Museum of Photographic Arts. Tampa, FL
Turchin Center for the Visual Arts. Boone, NC
Delta Arts Center. Winston-Salem, NC
Levine Museum of the New South. Charlotte, NC
Morris Museum of Art. Augusta, GA

2014

New York Library for the Performing Arts. New York, NY
BB King Museum. Indianola, MS

COLLECTIONS

New Orleans Museum of Art
Northwestern University
University of Minnesota
Morris Museum of Art
Smithsonian National Museum of African American History and Culture
UNC Chapel Hill – Wilson Library
Yale University Beinecke Rare Book & Manuscript Library
Ogden Museum of Southern Art

SELECTED PRESS

Photography

Television

2014 Carlson, Frank. "Capturing Blues in Black and White." PBS NewsHour. 16 October.
<https://www.pbs.org/newshour/arts/capturing-the-blues-in-black-and-white>

Radio

2019 Elliot, Debbie. "Capturing The Undersung Blues People Of The Rural South" NPR Weekend Edition. 8 July
<https://www.npr.org/2019/07/07/738019387/capturing-the-undersung-blues-people-of-the-rural-south>

Print/Web

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<https://www.cooph.com/magazine/features/visual-qa/detail/article/visual-qa-timothy-duffy.html>

2019 Dickerman, Kenneth. "Their ancestral cultures have been oppressed and forbidden, and yet they rise up singing." Washington Post. 5 July
https://www.washingtonpost.com/photography/2019/07/05/their-ancestral-cultures-have-been-oppressed-forbidden-yet-they-rise-up-singing/?noredirect=on&utm_term=.13ce95d8f672

2019 Spera, Keith "NOMA exhibit showcases Tim Duffy's tintype portraits of roots music elder statesmen" The Advocate. 24 April
https://www.nola.com/entertainment_life/arts/article_f73eaa30-3eb9-56d7-8368-c23566795d80.html

2019 Moses, D. Jeanette "Wet plate portraits honoring overlooked blues musicians in the South" 6 April <https://www.popphoto.com/wet-plate-portraits-honoring-overlooked-blues-musicians-in-south/>

2018 Menconi, David. "His mission is to preserve roots music. His portraits illuminate the musicians' souls." The News & Observer. 17 May.
<http://www.newsobserver.com/entertainment/article211171799.html>

2018 Watson, Denise M. "Photography exhibit os southern musicians comes to Portsmouth Art and Cultural Center." The Virginian-Pilot. 15 May.
https://pilotonline.com/entertainment/arts/exhibits/article_8b57ed28-545a-11e8-b8a1-3fecc77890bf.html

2017 Porter, Justin. "Honoring Blues & Roots Musicians in Tintypes." *LENS Blog*, New York Times. 8 June. https://lens.blogs.nytimes.com/2017/06/08/honoring-blues-and-rootsmusicians-in-tintypes/?_r=0

2017 Huffman, Eddie. "Art of the Blues in Concert, on Display at Delta Center." *Relish*, Winston-Salem Journal. 4 June. http://www.journalnow.com/relishnow/music/art-of-the-blues-in-concert-on-display-at-delta/article_72d947b0-52ee-5873-a782-5ef2c423f1a3.html

2017 Kennon, Alexandra. "Color Fades, but the Blues Endure." *Country Roads*. 23 March. <http://countryroadsmagazine.com/art-and-culture/visual-performing-arts/tim-duffy-blues-preservation-and-portraits/>

2016 Ruess, Brittany. "National Organization Brings Music, Photography to Weekend Festival." *Columbia Daily Tribune*. <http://www.columbiatribune.com/a1f500ec-4883-5730-adce-5a17e8dfd337.html>

2015 Berman, Eliza. "These Portraits of Southern Blues Musicians Prove That Blues Is Not Dead." *Lightbox*, TIME. 19 October. <http://time.com/3997156/music-makersouthern-blues-portraits/>

2015 Schonauer, David. "Exhibitions: Celebrating Blues Musicians, Twice." *Pro Photo Daily*, AI-AP. 29 October. <https://www.ai-ap.com/publications/article/15644/exhibitions-celebrating-blues-musicians-twice.html>

2015 Yamanouchi, Kelly. "Southern Blues Musicians Featured in Hartsfield-Jackson Art Exhibit." *AJC.com*. 24 November. <https://www.ajc.com/business/southern-blues-musicians-featured-hartsfield-jackson-art-exhibit/gW1viahikDIjRHuZgA8CoL/>

Music Maker Relief Foundation

Television

2017 Cameron, Carl. "'Campaign Carl's' Passion For Root Music and the Blues." *The Friend Zone*. Fox News. 27 January. <http://video.foxnews.com/v/5299964633001/?#sp=show-clips>

2014 Brown, Jeffrey. "Music Maker Eases the Blues for Down-And-Out Artists." *PBS NewsHour*. 21 October. <https://www.pbs.org/newshour/show/music-maker-eases-blues-artists>

2004 Jennings, Peter. "Person of the Week: Tim Duffy." *ABC News*. 30 April. <http://abcnews.go.com/WNT/PersonOfWeek/story?id=131831&page=1>

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2019 Elliot, Debbie. "Capturing The Undersung Blues People Of The Rural South" *NPR Weekend Edition*. 8 July <https://www.npr.org/2019/07/07/738019387/capturing-the-undersung-blues-people-of-the-rural-south>

2018 “Music of Healing & Elixirs: Little Freddie King, Anders Osborne, Dr. Michael White & Music Maker Relief Foundation.” American Routes. 21 March.

<http://www.americanroutes.org/archives/show/1055/Music-of-Healing-Elixirs-Little-Freddie-King-Anders-Osborne-Dr-Michael-White-Music-Maker-Relief-Foundation>

2014 Staff. “Preserving American Roots Music Begins With Keeping the Lights On.” *Weekend Edition Saturday*. NPR. 27 December. <https://www.npr.org/2014/12/27/373420285/nonprofit-helps-poor-musicians-keep-instruments-out-of-pawn-shops>

2003 Cox, Tony. “The Music Maker Relief Foundation.” *The Tavis Smiley Show*. NPR. 29 May. <https://www.npr.org/templates/story/story.php?storyId=1278781>

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2019 Graff, Gary “Music Maker Celebrates 25th Anniversary of Nonprofit With 'Blue Muse' Compilation: Premiere” <https://www.billboard.com/articles/news/8495538/music-maker-anniversary-blue-muse>

2017 McKenna, Brittney. “Music Maker Relief Foundation: Keeping the Blues Alive.” *The Bluegrass Situation*. 23 March. <https://thebluegrassituation.com/read/music-maker-relief-foundation-keeping-the-blues-alive>

2017 Menconi, David. “Music Maker Maestro Keeps Artists Singing the Blues.” *The News & Observer*. 1 January. <http://www.newsobserver.com/entertainment/music-news-reviews/on-the-beat-blog/article142927044.html>

2017 Odell, Jennifer. “Music Maker Relief Foundation Gives \$62,000 To Louisiana Musicians.” *Offbeat Magazine*. 29 March. <http://www.offbeat.com/articles/music-maker-relief-foundation-gives-62000-louisiana-musicians/>

2016 Byer, Brandon. “Music Maker Relief Foundation Uplifts Blues Musicians.” *Vox Magazine*. 29 September. https://www.voxmagazine.com/news/features/music-maker-relief-foundation-uplifts-blues-musicians/article_9d645f40-d38f-5d24-8e16-df8983d9b16b.html

2015 Gerard, Philip. “Music Maker Relief Foundation Supports Working Artists.” *Our State*. 16 June. <https://www.ourstate.com/music-maker-relief-foundation/>

2015 Winick, Stephen D. “Recordings From Music Maker Relief Foundation (and a Free Album!)” *Huffington Post*. 24 June. https://www.huffingtonpost.com/stephen-d-winick/post_9556_b_7632770.html

2014 Britt, Grant. “Live: Music Makers and Friends Throw Down in Durham.” *INDY Week*. 6 October. <https://www.indyweek.com/music/archives/2014/10/06/live-music-makers-and-friends-throw-down-in-durham>

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