

From his 30+ million views across social media to his interviews on international television and NPR's Weekend Edition, Billboard-charting saxophonist/innovator Derek Brown and his one-of-a-kind solo "BEATBoX SAX" project has been exploding across the world music scene.

As described by jazz journalist/historian Scott Yanow, "Brown performs unaccompanied solos that occasionally make one recall Bobby McFerrin in his early prime and the great saxophonist Eddie Harris . . . utilizing slap-tonguing, circular breathing, a wide interest in musical styles and dazzling coordination to create rather unique music."

Derek's latest project is an epic undertaking: his FiftyFifty Tour has him performing at least one gig in each of the 50 states in nine months (Aug. '18-May '19). Traveling from state to state in an RV with his wife Rachel, they will be regularly vlogging and posting about music and life on the road. Follow them at www.FiftyFiftyTour.com.

Previously the director of jazz studies at Abilene Christian University for six years, Derek now lives and performs in Chicago, playing in various bands and projects around the area and throughout the world. His recent "BEATBoX SAX" music videos and tutorials on YouTube have been very popular among saxophonists and music lovers alike, leading to endorsements with Legere, JodyJazz, P.Mauriat, BG, and AKG. Derek has performed solo concerts throughout China, Russia, Japan, Germany, France, Poland, UK, Norway, Finland, Malaysia, Latvia, Serbia, Israel, Ukraine, Czech Republic, Bulgaria, Brazil, Dubai, as well as throughout the U.S.

Derek received his BM in Music Performance (Classical and Jazz) from Hope College in 2006 and his MM in Jazz Studies at the University of Cincinnati, College-Conservatory of Music in 2008.

Crossing genres from jazz to classical to funk, without looping or electronic effects, saxophone innovator Derek Brown's unique playing style must be seen to be believed!