

Mp3 Mark Stone - The Bodhran

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On this CD, Mark has recorded the basic rudiments of Irish dance music for students to play along with some of his favorite traditional songs/performances for the general audience. Featuring renowned Irish musicians James Kelly and Paul McGrattan. 16 MP3 Songs WORLD: Celtic, FOLK: Traditional Folk

Details: Mark Stone, one of Irish Music's most renowned players of the bodhran, has performed and taught with many of today's top Irish musicians across the United States and in Canada. Mark began his professional music career at the age of fifteen playing keyboards in local dance bands and doing studio work. He later focused his attention solely on Irish music playing ceili piano. His knowledge of chord movement and structure has been transferred to the bodhran, resulting in a unique blend of rhythm and tones that has established Mark as a top player in this country. He has a reputation as an accompanist with a subtle touch that can bring about a sense of power when the tune warrants it. As a teacher, Mark has taught workshops and master classes across the continent. He has taught for many years at the Augusta Heritage Center's "Irish Week" in Elkins, WV, The Swannanoa Gathering's "Celtic Week" in Asheville, NC, and The Mississippi River Celtic Music Festival's "Tionol" in St. Louis along with classes in Nova Scotia, Milwaukee, Los Angeles, and Dallas. Mark teaches both beginning and intermediate/advanced classes specializing in techniques involving the use of both hands to fully explore all of the intricacies of a tune with the ultimate goal of "playing" the tune along with the lead instruments.

Mark Stone got his start in Irish music with the All-Ireland winning band, St. James's Gate. He is best known for his work with the renowned Irish fiddler, James Kelly and guitarist Zan McLeod. Mark's recording credits include James Kelly's critically-acclaimed solo fiddle album for Capelhouse Records and with the group Ceoltiori on their award-winning Women of Ireland CD for Maggie's Music Records. When at home, Mark performs with the band Poor Man's Fortune from Austin (poormansfortune.com). Mark recently produced "The Curlews" for Irish hammer dulcimer player Cliff Moses (cliffmoses.com). "If you must play the bodhran, play it this way!" -Billy McComiskey introducing Mark Stone in Los Angeles

"Players such as America's Mark Stone have added to the bodhran's luster, owing to their sensitive and often unconventional approaches." -Myron Bretholz for MusicHound Folk, The Essential Album Guide

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