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Saturday Night Live. Alan and Fernando met guitarist, Chieli Minucci and soon joined Chieli's group, "Special EFX" where Alan was featured on the album "Slice of Life." During the many years of their relationship, Alan and Chieli toured and worked on numerous projects including the movie theme for the film "In the Shadow of Kilimanjaro." For decades Alan has arranged numerous songs for Philippine Platinum artist, Jose Marie Chan. Arrangements include hit songs "Beautiful Girl" and "Tell Me Your Name". Since 1985 Alan worked as a composer/programmer for the TV commercial music house, North Forty Productions. The company's founder, James Todd and Alan have collaborated on music for countless national TV commercials including spots for Budweiser and McDonalds. Today Alan and his wife, Lynn are proud parents of their talented and beautiful daughter, Kaitlin. In 2002, Alan moved to Gettysburg PA, where he works primarily through the Internet. Additional artists Alan has played and/or recorded with include are: Lionel Hampton, Tony Williams, Chris Botti,, Garth Hudson, Lew Soloff, Bill Frisell, Joe Lynn Turner, Vicki Sue Robinson, Andy Snitzer, Dave Weckl, Dennis Chambers, J.T. Lewis, Danny Brubeck, Jeff Andrews, Wayne Pedziawatr, Nicky Haimo and more.

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