

Biography - Franz Mehrfert, B. Mus / B. Ed – Bassist/MD/Arranger

Franz Mehrfert is a professional bassist, band leader, and music educator with a dynamic career spanning North America and beyond. Originally from Canada, now based in Los Angeles, he is highly regarded for his versatility as a session musician, comfortable performing and recording across a broad spectrum of musical genres.

Franz's performance career includes significant roles as a music director and touring musician. He has performed on stages throughout Canada, major US cities, and internationally on cruise lines, including on the 1st National tour of the musical ***Nice Work If You Can Get It***. He has performed and recorded with a wide variety of artists, including Dee Daniels, Lorna Luft, Adrian Zmed, Tommy Banks, The Platters, and Air Supply. Franz also performed and recorded with champion Piano Entertainer Ryan Ahern for his 2018 and 2020 PBS in-concert specials, filmed in Las Vegas.

With a strong foundation in both classical and jazz music, Franz holds a Bachelor of Music degree in Double Bass and Musicology from UBC, where he also developed his jazz arranging skills, studying with Fred Stride. He has provided custom music arrangements for headliners and ensembles in Los Angeles and Las Vegas, and around the world.

Beyond his performance work, Franz is a dedicated music educator. He previously worked as a public school music teacher in British Columbia, teaching concert band, jazz band, and choir, and is available for private bass lessons. As a seasoned session player, Franz is comfortable with any/all musical genres, can be found performing and recording around LA and SoCal with various groups and ensembles, including “Sunset Bloom”, an acoustic easy-listening trio.

Whether on stage or in the studio, Franz is committed to supporting artists in bringing their musical visions to life.

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