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Drummer, Composer and Educator

Born in Finland in 1971 Anders is since 1995 rooted in the south of Sweden. He first came to Sweden to study music at Skurup Folk High School and Malmö Music Academy. Since then he has established himself as a well renowned drummer highly involved in the modern jazz scene of Sweden.

Using influences from jazz, free impro, African, Brazilian and Cuban music he has a big palette to draw from in his playing and is always striving to combine tradition with new ideas. He's been part of various projects both as a coleader and leader, playing and touring in Europe, United States, Russia, Latin America and South Africa.

Anders is currently running the independent record company drumvoice records, playing and recording with his own group West Yard Jazz Quartet, the Congolese singer José Pereelanga, Lupa Santiago & Anders Vestergård Quintet as well as with Robert Tjäderqvist Quartet, Emma Denward Quintet and Monica Hoffman Quartet. He is also a member of the internationally acclaimed group Six Drummers that can be seen in the movies "Music For One Apartment and Six Drummers" and "Sound Of Noise".

Other groups he's been working with includes Un x pected Pleasure, DrumVoiceUnion, TWANG!, Organic Vibes, The Opposite, the art ensemble Heavy Collaboration and musicians as Uffe Krokfors, Tane Kannisto, Antti Sarpila, Niklas Winter, Andreas Andersson and Ensemble Barsch, Bobo Stensson, Ola Åkerman, Johan Leijonhuvud, Fredrik Carlqvist, Fredrik Kronkvist, Cennet Jönsson, Mats Andersson, Miriam Aïda, Almaz Yebio, Henrik Frisk, Johnny Åman, Sven-Erik Lundeqvist, Michael Buckley, Ronan Guilfoyle, Okay Temiz, Afonso Machado, Calixto Oviedo, among others.

Beside his performing career Anders has always been a dedicated teacher starting giving workshops and lectures as early as 1988. He is head of the Culture Department at Fridhems Folk High School and a drum teacher at Malmö Academy Of Music.

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