

Artist Short Bio

Dr. David L. Smith Jr. is an American jazz trombonist from South Florida with over 16 years of experience as a professional performer in the jazz idiom. His educational background includes a Bachelor of Arts (B.A) in Jazz Performance (Florida State University), Master of Music (M.M) in Jazz Performance (The University of South Florida), and a Doctor of Musical Arts (D.M.A) with an emphasis in Jazz Studies & Pedagogy from the University of Colorado.

In 2016, he won the "*Downbeat*" Award for best jazz small group during his doctoral studies in Colorado. He has performed with legendary trombonist from the world-renowned Duke Ellington Orchestra, George "Buster" Cooper (1929 - 2016), Vincent Gardner, Wycliffe Gordon, Marcus Roberts, Jason Marsalis, Roland Guerlin, Rufus Reid, Leon Anderson, Rodney Jordan, John Gunther, and Dave Corbus. Currently, Smith is working on a solo album all being self-produced by himself. The album is scheduled to be released in December of this year. For booking inquiries, please see the contact page or visit my EPK page.