

CESAR OMAR RIOS

**Guitar, Electric Guitar, Bass, Productions
Performance Techniques, Music Theory, Sight-
Reading**



Cesar Omar Rios was born in Boston, Massachusetts and was raised in the vibrant land of Puerto Rico. From an early age, his family immersed him in various musical genres, igniting a passion that would drive his future career.

With over 30 years of professional experience, Cesar has performed at numerous festivals, private events, and public stages in Puerto Rico, Tampa, and Orlando. His versatility in rock, fusion jazz, country, R&B, funk, and contemporary gospel has earned him a respected place in the music community.

Cesar was a member of the award-winning and popular American/Puerto Rican rock/alternative band Alma Vertical, contributing to their acclaimed album "Alma Vertical" (Vertical Soul). In recent years, Cesar has found a special place within his local church's worship team combining his musical talent with his faith, contributing to the spiritual life of his community. His involvement in worship music reflects his commitment to using his musical gifts to inspire and uplift others.

Cesar attended Berklee College of Music, earning certifications in production and composition. This education, combined with his practical experience, shapes his approach to performance and teaching.

Throughout his career, Cesar has recorded albums across various genres, collaborating with artists like Lannie Battistini, Janelle Monáe, and Beto Cuevas. These collaborations have enriched his musical repertoire and expanded his creative horizons.

Cesar's passion for music extends to education. Specializing in guitar, electric guitar, bass, and music production, he brings a hands-on approach to his lessons. Cesar's unique teaching curriculum, developed from his extensive experience, makes music accessible and enjoyable for his students.

Having previously worked at Hands in Motion Music School, Cesar is thrilled to return. He is dedicated to maintaining a thorough curriculum that keeps students enthusiastic about learning by teaching them to read and play their favorite songs. "Teaching for me is very fulfilling, especially when I see how my students enjoy themselves as they apply what they learn," he says.

Cesar Omar Rios's journey, from Boston to Berklee and his extensive professional career, is a testament to his unwavering dedication to music. Whether performing on stage or teaching in the classroom, his love for music shines through, leaving a lasting impact on everyone he encounters, especially his students!