



Neil MacPherson

Executive Advisory Board Member – Professional Musician & Concert Performer – Songwriting - Composer - Instrumental Artists – Recording Artists

Neil MacPherson is an Executive Advisory Board Member with About The Kids Foundation. Since relocating to the Bay Area from San Diego, California in 2008, Neil has been promoting his album of solo piano works entitled *Solace*.

In 2020, Neil MacPherson was contacted by Joseph Ekman with an opportunity for collaboration on a song. Working together, Neil and Joseph created their first instrumental single entitled “Remembering Carmel by the Sea”. Neil contributed his music expertise, as well as the piano performance, and Joseph produced the song using Neil’s studio based in the Bay Area. Together they constructed the arrangement and created the sheet music for the song. “Remembering Carmel by the Sea” is their first instrumental piece, which will be released in October 2020 under the label *MacPherson-Ekman*. All future collaborative works and musical pieces will be released under the *MacPherson-Ekman* label.

Neil began studying piano at the age of 7 in Denver, Colorado. He became a professional musician at 13, and by 18 he had toured Europe, Canada and the United States.

He continued his education at the University of Northern Colorado, where he majored in Piano Performance and was active in the jazz and rock scene. Moving to Los Angeles upon graduation, Neil enrolled in the University of California, Los Angeles Extensions program where he studied songwriting and music business from industry professionals.

In 2000, he moved to San Diego and founded the band TUBBY, a group that has won numerous accolades across the country. They won the Worldfolk National Battle of the Bands in Las Vegas, Nevada in early 2006 and were one of the top 8 finalists on NBC’s “Star Tomorrow” program.

In various projects, he has appeared onstage with Bobby McFerrin, Marc Ford (Black Crowes, Allman Brothers), John Popper (Blues Traveler), America, and DJ Bonebrake (X). He has opened for Blue Oyster Cult, Common Sense, Fishbone, Joan Jett, and Jason Bonham, among others.