

MIKE BALTER

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Mike Balter's Hall of Fame Induction

PAS Hall of Fame Michael Balter



Welcome New Artists!

Antonio Santangelo

Beginning in 1977 he began his university teaching career and is currently teaching percussion at the "L. D'Annunzio" Conservatory of Music in Pescara - Italy. He is invited to judge international competitions and masterclasses throughout Europe. He is President of the PAS "Percussive Arts Society" Italy Chapter. Since 2002, Antonio is the Artistic Director of the Festival and Competition International "Days of Percussion" in Italy.

We are proud to have him as an artist and join the Mike Balter Family. You can learn more about Antonio by clicking on the following links.

[Antonio Santangelo's Website](#)
[Antonio Santangelo's Artist Page](#)



Claire Litzler

Winner of the 1st Prize at the International Snare Drum Competition, Santangelo, she regularly performs with many professional orchestras, including the Philharmonic Orchestra of Strasbourg, Mulhouse Symphonic Orchestra, Mannheim Philharmonic Orchestra, French Youth Orchestra etc. In parallel to her performing career and conservatory education, Ms Litzler teaches percussion at the *Conservatory of Saint-Louis* (France) and at *Bischofszell Musikschule* (Switzerland).



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Expand YOUR MUSICAL COLORS



Ian Finkel Xylophone Mallets

A cord covered xylophone mallet that has articulation and warmth.

Rattan handles only.

Model X18 MH Model X36 MS



"The Mike Balter Ian Finkel Mallets are truly fantastic. They have been designed to produce a true, full sound bringing out the broad range of the xylophone."

Ian Finkel



Steve Shapiro Vibe Mallets

Designed specifically for vibes with pickups or vibes with mics. Full tone without a percussive attack.

Rattan handles only.

Model 34 MH Model 35 MS



"Mike has been able to get the rich sound of large headed mallets that are perfectly balanced. The sound is extremely clear and with pickups, the results are very impressive. My signature mallets are the product of many years of Mike listening to the needs of vibraphonists, and his true dedication to excellence. Nobody does percussion better!"

Steve Shapiro

Product Highlight

Latex Covered Series

The ideal choice for percussion ensembles who seek a perfectly blended sound. Each model provides a solid, full-bodied, warm tone with a strong fundamental and precise clarity. Made with a slightly larger core and varying sizes of latex on either Satin Birch or Rattan Handles. Models 171 and 172 are excellent for lead, solo voices. Models 173 and 174 are an exceptional choice for inner voice lines. Model 175 is excellent for bass voice and moving bass lines.



[Learn More About The Latex Covered Series](#)

Chime Mallets

Double-sided head featuring a felt striking surface at one end. Long hard-maple handle provides increased proficiency.

CM1 - 1 1/4"

CM2 - 1 1/2"

CM3 - 1 3/4"

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Kathy Kelly's New Album

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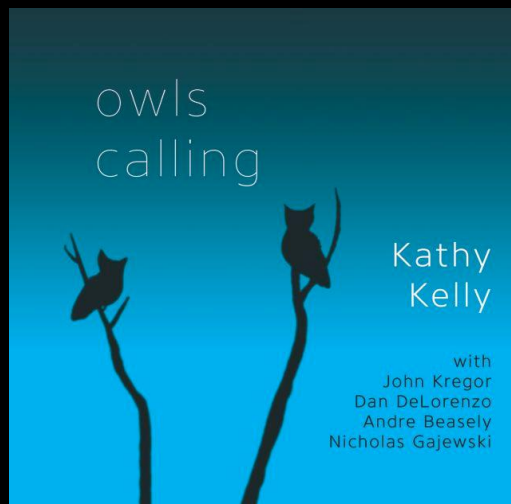
Kathy Kelly vibes

John Gregor guitar

Dan DeLorenzo bass

Andre Beasley drums

Nicholas Gajewski drums



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- **Pride**
- **Commitment**
- **Integrity**
- **Experience**

... and when the name is Mike Balter you are assured of the highest quality, perfect weight and balance, superb craftsmanship, with unsurpassed dynamic range and tonal color. Made to exceed the most demanding professional standards. Every custom crafted mallet has a difference you can see, a difference you can hear.



*The difference is the name... **MIKE BALTER***

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