



Eugene Taylor





Eugene Taylor a.k.a. the Drum Prophet has been entertaining audiences with his musical talents for over 20 years. Born in Memphis, TN, he now lives in Wake Forest, North Carolina and he's increasingly becoming one of North Carolina's most sought after local performers.

Eugene Taylor's soulful vocals, combined with an eclectic mix of whistling, finger snapping, drumming, and tapping out rhythms with tap shoes on metal plates and shaker wristbands, all come together in a mind-blowing entertainment experience.

Taylor has recently joined his talents with fellow artist songwriter, Diogenes Ruiz. They've collaborated on Taylor's ground-breaking debut album, *The Rhythm of Life*. *The Rhythm of Life* album has sold out several times in various venues, and the gift shop at UNC Rex hospital, where Eugene Taylor works as a patient transporter. As a solo-artist and group performer, Taylor continues to win loyal fans, climbing to #1 on the Reverb Nation World Music chart for the Raleigh, Durham, and Wake Forest Areas.

As a devout follower of Christ, Taylor's message is one of hope, reaching across religious and secular boundaries. His rhythm will hold you captive, and your heart will melt with inspiration.

Eugene Taylor has used his talents and gifting in music to touch the lives of the patients he routinely transports at UNC Rex Healthcare. Hospital staff request Taylor on behalf of patients, needing a dose of music and good cheer. Additionally, while transporting patients, Taylor taps out soothing rhythms on a small drum which he carries with him everywhere he goes. In addition to playing for patients, Eugene has performed at Rex's annual Cancer Survivor's Day, Rex's Annual Golf Opening, and Rex's Kids Can! support group for children who have a parent or loved one with cancer.

Anointed, healing, soothing, touching, genius, are just a few of the ways patients and fellow artists have come to regard Eugene Taylor. That is why he's been christened the "Drum Prophet" and "Wellness Ambassador" by family and friends. The names just seemed to fit and other healthcare providers and health organizations have requested the "Wellness Ambassador's" services. Taylor has also played for the NC Comprehensive Cancer Center, the Susan G. Komen Foundation, Relay for Life, and the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. He also routinely provides music and movement and wellness services to nursing homes, assistant living facilities, substance abuse and recovery centers, and health rehabilitation centers.

Taylor's musical talents are fit for any and all venues. He's also a sought after motivational speaker, and has been hired by US Foods, America's second largest food distributor, to encourage and motivate its sales team. Taylor has been booked for weddings, schools, work-retreats, family reunions, book clubs, art festivals, and fashion shows. He's performed at churches and community events. Taylor has also performed at the Carolina Theater in Durham, NC, the Durham Hayti Heritage Culture Center, and the N.C. Museum of History. Eugene repeatedly provides street performances for the Town of Wake Forest NC, and Artfields in Lake City, SC, which is one of the largest arts festival and art competition in the Southeast. Most notably, Eugene was a lead percussionist in the play "Sojourner and Her Children," written by Rudy Wallace and performed throughout the state of North Carolina.





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