



JOSEPH SOH NGWA
DRUM INSTRUCTOR

SKILLS & ABILITIES

- Teaching Artist
- Musician
- Songwriter
- Dancer

INSTRUMENTS

- Balafon
- Conga Drum
- Djembe Drum
- Flute
- Harmonica
- Kalimba
- Kora
- Sangba Drum
- Shakere
- Talking Drum
- Trap Drum

EXPERIENCE

OYÉ PALAVER HUT, INC., WASHINGTON, DC

2003 - PRESENT

Provides hands-on lessons teaching hand and finger placements on the drum and basic traditional percussion rhythms to children and youth in schools, summer programs, workshops, and community centers, supporting cognitive, physical, and social development to facilitate a positive learning environment and measure student learning outcomes, inspiring children and youth to experience drumming as a means of creative expression, to relieve stress and channel intense emotions, to learn self-awareness, cooperation and patience, and to gain self-confidence and self-worth.

KANKOURAN WEST AFRICAN DANCE COMPANY, WDC

1983 - PRESENT

Performing Artist and Senior Master Drum Instructor.

EDUCATION

HOWARD UNIVERSITY, WASHINGTON, DC

1976

MEMBERSHIPS

- African Heritage Dancers and Drummers, Washington, DC
- Cameroon Association of Musicians, Washington, DC
- Cheickh Amara Band, Tacoma Park, Maryland
- Tiako Sedia Band, Washington, DC

CERTIFICATIONS

- Current CPR/First Aid

BACKGROUND CHECKS AND CLEARANCES

- FBI
- National Sex Offender (online results)
- DC Metro Police
- CFSA, CPR
- TB