



## Jimmy Dale

composer - guitarist - vocalist - band leader

**It is said that Jimmy plays the tunes you like to hear in his own unique style.**

**Jimmy Dale could be considered an oddity of a musician**, even by Los Angeles's standards! From Los Angeles to Honolulu, from Frankfurt, Germany to Sardinia, Italy, Jimmy established himself internationally as a composer, guitarist, vocalist and band leader. He is well known in jazz circles as a solo musician and vocalist, and just as widely recognized and revered in the reggae community. He has composed and performed a wealth of jazz instrumentals, with two rather recent jazz releases that are extremely close to his heart. AGI'S TUNE is a passionate tune in honor of his deceased wife, and the other, DEAR MR. BENSON, paying homage to the famed guitarist and one of his idols, George Benson. These two instrumental jazz CD's are considered the most emotional and creative of his original works thus far.

His talent doesn't just rest with jazz, he created the rock, pop, blues, and oldies group, JIMMY DALE BAND and in addition, he developed his most popular JIMMY DALE'S IRIE BAND, which has opened for Ziggy Marley, Bob Marley's "Wailers", Toots and the Maytals, Jimmy Cliff, Third World, Bunny Wailer, The Skatalites, Black Uhuru, Eek A Mouse, Steel Pulse, and Andrew Tosh.

He has backed legendary bands such as: the Drifters, Platters, The Diamonds, The Coasters, Little Anthony and the Imperials, and the fabulous Penguins! He's played with such Reggae artists as Joe Higgs known as the godfather of reggae the man who taught Bob Marley, Pato Banton, Carlton Livingston, Fully Fullwood & Tony Chin, and Mikey Dread & Daddy U Roy.

As an artist who has embraced many musical influences and is constantly exploring his own sound, Jimmy credits music educator Don Schamber from Monterey Peninsula College as his number-one mentor and friend. *"He taught me the love of jazz and how to compose."* There were many mentors in Jimmy's musical education like iconic musicians Ace Hill, Bobby Phillips, Lee Durley, JoJo Franklin, Don Pendergrass, Brian Stock and Santa Cruz legends Randy Masters, Joe Sekon and Ray Brown.

Jimmy can be heard playing guitar on Big Mountain's CD "Unity" which sold millions with the hit tune "Baby I Love Your Way." His original reggae composition, "Rub A Dub" can be heard in the motion picture, "Sunset Heat" starring Dennis Hopper. Jimmy's IRIE CD, "Freedom of Choice" includes "Rub A Dub," "Leaving Out Love," "Harley Gone Down," and "I Love You In My Arms" and can be heard on Nickelodeon's cable network, SK8TV. These songs are also included on, Girls of Hawaiian Tropic, with Pauly Shore.

Jimmy was presented with an **AWARD OF EXCELLENCE** in music as a solo musician, by the city of Studio City, California. Jimmy Dale's **IRIE** Band was listed in the **Top Ten in Reggae' USA** by Reggae' Report.

Currently Jimmy is composing several more singles with PLANET BLUE a "Latin Jazz kind of Santanaish Style" instrumental ready for release, followed by FAME AND MONEY a reggae tune. Jimmy states both compositions were stimulated by what he feels is society's lack of respect towards a healthier, more peaceful existence.

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