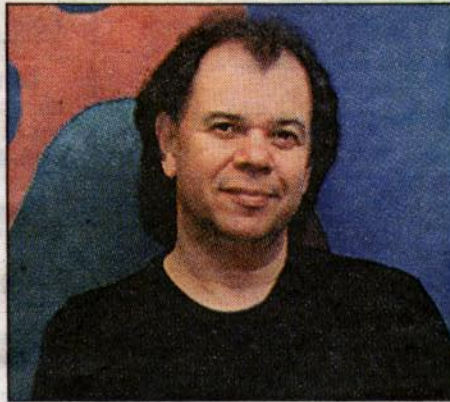


Filipiak's music has been featured in several televised events, including the Olympics, and he has worked with musicians like Dennis Chambers, Victor Wooten and Bob Berg.



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Carl Filipiak: A musician of multiple talents

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Carl Filipiak always wanted to play guitar.

"For some reason I always knew I would play guitar, I always had a love of it. Fourteen was just when I had saved up enough money to buy one," he said. Filipiak has been playing ever since, for more than 25 years. He was first influenced by the Beatles and jazz musicians like Pat Martino and Walt Namuth.

Playing at the Rams Head Tavern in Annapolis Saturday night, Filipiak says that if people want to "hear a great band and great music" then they should come on out.

"I've done nothing but play music my entire life," Filipiak, a Baltimore native and resident, said proudly. "I hate to say that I've never had a real job, because believe me, music is a very real gig." The guitarist says that his music is not jazz in the traditional sense, but more "jazz rock" or most recently "jimi-jazz," since his upcoming record will be heavily influenced by the late Jimi Hendrix.

Aside from playing and composing, Filipiak has written numerous books, run a small record label, produced albums and taught private music lessons for the last 20 years. "While Baltimore has major talent, there's really not a major industry here for music," Filipiak said. "That's why I do 10 different things. Fortunately I love every one of them."

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Where: Rams Head Tavern, 33 West Street, Annapolis

Time: 7 p.m. Saturday

Tickets: \$22.50

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