

Graham Breedlove

Jazz Times magazine writes: "Breedlove has chops...and is the leader of a tight, forceful band". AllAboutJazz.com has called Graham Breedlove "A trumpet player with an exquisite tone and provocative harmonic ideas...Breedlove exhibits great control and cranks out some head-turning melodic ideas". The International Trumpet Guild's *Journal* raves "...quite creative--he bebopped all over the horn!". Also active as a composer, Graham's work has been featured on NBC's *Today* show, Food Network's *Emeril Live* and the Washington Post has called it "...terrific... with luminous, fine-grained autumnal harmonies...".

Since taking up the trumpet at age twelve in his hometown of Lafayette, LA, Graham Breedlove has performed on four continents in more than twenty countries, with headliners representing more than fifty Grammy Nominations. Among these are: The Saturday Night Live Band, Ray Charles, Wynton Marsalis, Tito Puente, James Moody and Arturo Sandoval. As a leader, Breedlove is a Summit Records recording artist. When reviewing his debut CD "Coming Home", released in 2001, Amazon.com states "This CD is like a bottomless glass of good wine". As a sideman, Breedlove has appeared on more than fifty recordings, including back-to-back Grammy winning CDs in 2004 and 2005 with Cathy Fink and Marcy Marxer.

Currently, Mr. Breedlove is a trumpet soloist with the Army Blues jazz ensemble, part of The United States Army Band, "Pershing's Own" in Washington, DC. He has appeared as a soloist, composer/arranger or lead player on the Army Blues's three most recent CDs, "25th Anniversary Concert" (featuring New York Voices), "Things Ain't What They Used to Be", and "With Gratitude". In an effort to promote jazz, Breedlove has presented clinics, masterclasses, and appeared as a guest soloist at colleges and universities across the country, and has served on the faculty at Towson University near Baltimore.

Mr. Breedlove holds the Bachelor of Music degree from Louisiana State University, the Master of Music degree and Performer's Certificate from Indiana University, and has studied with world famous masters David Baker, Alvin Batiste, Byron Stripling, and Stephen Burns. For more information please visit www.grahambreedlove.com.