# Keith Gehle, guitarist

### Biography

Even at a very young age, Keith Gehle knew he wanted to be a professional musician. Today he enjoys a busy career as a professonal performer, recording artist, published composer/arranger, and teacher. Keith began his performing career during college with a simple philosophy: advance the art of solo guitar performance through diverse music that appeals to a wide audience. His many musical experiences (from rock to classical, folk and new age) have produced an artist with a perspective and style unique in the community of solo acoustic guitar. His numerous performances have delighted audiences at universities, music festivals and community concerts throughout the Southeast as well as weddings, dinner events and corporate gatherings.



Keith is a top referral for many event planners and is frequently called on to provide live music for VIP events in the Atlanta area. He has performed for such luminaries as **Sam Hunt** (country music singer/songwriter), **Georgia Governors Nathan Deal** and **Brian Kemp, Arthur Blank** (Home Depot co-founder), **Jenn Brown** (ESPN Reporter) and **Wes Chatham** (actor) to name just a few.

Keith was recognized for his outstanding musicianship by the **Georgia Council for the Arts** by serving on their prestigious Touring Roster until it was disbanded in 2008. His recording credits include *Keith Gehle, Guitarist, Winter Song, Nocturne*, Music of the Romantics, *Songs of December* and his latest release *Space and Time* which spent five months in the top 40 of the **Zone Music Reporter** (New Age) charts in the spring and summer of 2017, including two consecutive months in the top 20. Regarding Keith's recording "Space and Time", Journeyscapes Radio wrote: "...a lovely and peaceful album Space and Time is like a welcome breath of fresh air." Music Web Express 3000 described "Space and Time" with these words: "A masterpiece of instrumental New Age sounds, filled with moving melodies." And Mainlypiano.com wrote: "...the music is hopeful, heartfelt and very sincere in addition to being exceptionally beautiful...one of the best guitar albums I've heard this year! Very highly recommended."

A number of his original compositions and arrangements for solo guitar have been published and are distributed world wide by **Hal Leonard** and **Mel Bay Publications.** In 2012, Keith scored the music for the multi award winning short film *Caterpillar* and May of 2017 saw the release of a new music folio by Mel Bay Publications (*Guitar Composers of the Americas*) featuring three of his original compositions.

A classically trained musician, Keith earned his Bachelor of Music degree in guitar performance from The University of Georgia under the guidance of the late John Sutherland, a protégé of Andres Segovia. Keith's extensive training with master guitarists has helped him become a sought after teacher in his own right. He currently serves as adjunct professor of guitar and music technology for Toccoa Falls College in northeast Georgia.

No matter what the setting Keith Gehle brings to his clients artistry and professionalism of the highest level. Reasonable rates, reliable service, and a top quality performance are guaranteed so please call today to schedule the beautiful guitar music of Keith Gehle for your next special event.

## **Testimonials**

"Magical. Simply stated, that is the ceremony that Keith created for our wedding on 11.11.17. Keith's talent, kindness and professionalism superseded my expectations. Having him apart of our special day was an absolute pleasure.

Music feeds the soul and that is just what Keith's music will do. Smiles were abundant. Hearts were full. Keith, thank you forever."

#### - Emily & Adam H.

"We can not say enough good things about Keith. He preformed at our wedding at Barnsley Resort a few weeks ago and his music could not have been any more perfect for the wedding and the setting! He listened to all our request and preferences and got a feel for the music we would want during the reception and what he played was perfect! The ceremony music was also amazing! We could not have been happier to have had Keith be apart of our special day!"

#### - Dottie

"Keith is a wonderful guitarist and a professional in every sense of the word. Coming from a musical background myself that culminated in a master's degree in music performance, I found Keith's playing to be perfectly elegant and expressive. He also provided a broad list of song choices that helped make our ceremony uniquely "us". My wife and I could not have been happier in selecting Keith to play for our ceremony at Barnsley Gardens and we hope you do the same. You will not be disappointed as he is a masterful guitarist, performer, and person!"

#### - Grayson

"Keith did an amazing job providing music for our daughters wedding on 12/3/16 at Rays on the River in Atlanta. Keith performed the prelude, processional, ceremony, and provided background music for our guests during a seated dinner. So many of our guests complimented our selections and many commented that he added an element of class and atmosphere that made the evening complete. Additionally, Keith was so very easy to work with in planning and the day of our event. I wish there were 10 stars - he deserve it and you will not be disappointed!"

#### - Shannon (mother of the bride)

"Keith played our wedding ceremony on November 12th at the Georgian Terrace hotel, and the music was absolutely perfect! Since ours was such a small wedding, I was concerned about songs being too long. Turned out there was no need for concern because Keith paid close attention to what was happening and was able to gracefully close out each song at exactly the right moment. I loved the intimate sound of the solo classical guitar, and many of our guests commented on how beautiful the music was, as well. In addition to being a great musician, Keith was extremely professional and responsive during planning, and he arrived early on the day of the wedding to ensure that everything was ready to go before the prelude. I highly recommend Keith to anyone looking for solo classical guitar for a wedding or other event."

#### - Kelly

\*ALL of the above reviews are real people and published/verified on weddingwire.com You can read dozens more FIVE STAR reviews just like them on Keith's web site.

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