Derek Brown – Biography

From his 7 million views on Youtube to his interviews on international television and NPR's Weekend Edition, Billboard-charting saxophonist/innovator Derek Brown and his solo "BEATBoX SAX" project has been exploding across the world music scene.

As described by jazz journalist/historian Scott Yanow, "Brown performs unaccompanied solos that occasionally make one recall Bobby McFerrin in his early prime and the great saxophonist Eddie Harris. . . utilizing slap-tonguing, circular breathing, a wide interest in musical styles and dazzling coordination to create rather unique music."

Previously the director of jazz studies at Abilene Christian University for six years, Derek now lives and performs in Chicago, playing in various bands and projects around the area and throughout the world. His recent "BEATBoX SAX" music videos and tutorials on YouTube have been very popular among saxophonists and music lovers alike, leading to endorsements with Legere, JodyJazz, P.Mauriat, BG, and AKG. Derek has performed solo concerts throughout China, Russia, Japan, Germany, France, Poland, UK, Norway, Finland, Malaysia, Latvia, Serbia, Israel, Ukraine, Czech Republic, Bulgaria, Brazil, Dubai, as well as throughout the U.S.