

## Joel Harrison and Free Country

Ensemble members: Joel Harrison--guitar (composer)  
David Binney--saxophone  
Todd Reynolds--violin  
Dana Leong--cello  
Gary Versace--keyboard  
Stephan Crump--bass  
Dan Weiss--drums

Title of the commissioned work: Vox Americana

Instrumentation:  
guitar; saxophone; violin; cello; keyboard; bass; drums.

Composer's Statement:  
"A six movement suite whose influences include country blues and appalchian, african, indian, classical, and cuban music all within a jazz framework. Text is involved in 3 movements that addresses American identity in abstract yet highly emotional ways. This piece balances improv and written music in new ways- it involves considerable notatation while still leaving room for extensive soloing, group interplay, and detours into various folk idioms."

Length of the work: 60 Minutes  
Recording: Available. Please contact the artist directly.

Stated Technical Requirements:  
"drums, bass and guitar amp, sax, vocal, violin, tabla, and cello mics, reverb, direct boxes, 7 music stands"

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