

## **Biography: Larry Brian Binns**

Larry Brian Binns attended the prestigious arts conservatory the North Carolina School of Arts (NCSA), one of the 16 campuses of the University of North Carolina. He graduated from the high school division and attended the college division at NCSA as a composition major and student of the dean of the school of music, composer Dr. Louis Mennini (HS) and Pulitzer Prize composer, Dr. Robert Ward, Chancellor of the school at the time (College).

While attending NCSA he also participated in master classes with classical/jazz composer/pianist John Lewis (Modern Jazz Quartet) and later while studying briefly at Hampton University attended master classes with famed trumpeter, Freddie Hubbard. Larry is also a graduate of Indiana University's Jacob's School of Music at Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis (MSMT); Strayer University (AACSB, BSBA). In addition he is attending Berklee College of Music (Extension) where he is completing his Master Certificate in Music Business.

He is a member of American Society of Composers Authors, and Publishers (ASCAP) both as a composer and music publisher, The American Federation of Musicians of the United States and Canada (AFM) and Indie Managers Association (IMA). He is also the manager and personal assistant to professional composer/pianist Harold Blanchard and co-manages Mr. Blanchard's trio, The Harold Blanchard Trio. Additionally, he is experienced in entertainment law and in working with large jazz festivals such as the renowned Hampton Jazz Festival which has an attendance of 30,000 or more each year.

Larry is married to his high school sweetheart, Marcia, and they are parents to four daughters.