

# IAN OAKLEY



Winner of the  
2020 Black British Theatre Awards  
Musical Director Recognition Award

## **SELECTED CREDITS**

FOREVER PLAID (2020)  
"YOU RAISE ME UP", Denise Pearson (2020)  
TURN UP LONDON (2020)  
RESPECT: THE ARETHA FRANKLIN SONGBOOK (2019)  
A DOSE OF HAPPINESS (2019)  
STORMZY / X FACTOR (UK) (2017)  
DIONNE WARWICK, "DIONNE SINGS DIONNE" (1998)

## **BIOGRAPHY**

Native to London, Ian Oakley has had a career in the music industry that has spanned more than 25 years in both the United Kingdom and the United States. Commended for his versatility, Ian has worked across the spectrum of the music industry - from the creative genesis of a project, to working with legendary Grammy Award-winning artists (Dionne Warwick, Take 6), to conducting orchestras (London Symphony Orchestra).

Ian started playing the piano by ear at the tender age of four, his first song being 'Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star' in the very lowest register of the piano. Since then, having completed grade exams with Trinity College of Music, he received a bachelor of arts degree in Music Theory & Composition from Point Loma Nazarene University, San Diego, California where he studied with prolific American composer, Phillip Keveren (Hal Leonard Publishing) and has written a full-length children's musical 'One More Chance: The Story of Jonah' which premiered before a standing-room-only audience in San Diego's Crill Auditorium in April 1998.

Throughout the course of his career, Ian has travelled and performed in more than sixty countries on five continents as a pianist, composer, orchestrator, conductor and musical director. Through such experiences, he has acquired a unique multi-cultural perspective which is reflected in his credits featuring the musical genres classical, gospel, jazz and hip-hop - one notable such being his string arrangement for Stormzy's 2017 performance of 'Blinded by Your Grace Pt. 2' on the X-Factor which had an estimated 6 million viewers.

His extensive experience on stage and in theatre has gained national industry recognition with the 2020 Musical Director Recognition Award from the Black British Theatre Awards, a ceremony which was televised by Sky Arts in the United Kingdom. His creativity as a composer and arranger are indispensable assets in the development of new stage productions such as the 2019 UK Tour of 'Respect: The Aretha Franklin Songbook', a first-run show created by award-winning producer, Adrian Grant, creator of Thriller Live! in London's West End starring the likes of Amber Riley, Mica Paris and Jaki Graham.

In 2019, Ian worked as the orchestrator on the beautifully crafted, evocative score of British film composer, Christopher Barnett, for the movie 'A Dose of Happiness'. The award-winning movie, directed by Yana Titova, was the number one Bulgarian production in 2019, winning numerous awards.

Ian was the orchestrator and pianist on the song 'Times Like These' by Charlie Hines Produced by Tim Miner in the film 'The Christmas Masterpiece' which received an honourable mention for best song in the 2020 Los Angeles Film awards.

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## AWARDS

### Black British Theatre Awards

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## FILM CREDITS

### The Christmas Masterpiece (2020)

Charlie Hines, "In Times Like These" produced by Tim Miner  
Directed by Wayne Goodrich  
GC Film Productions, Garage Cat Studios

### A Dose of Happiness (2019)

Directed by Yana Titova  
Music composed by Christopher Barnett  
No Blink, Reason8 Films  
Soundtrack: Air-Edel Records

### The Preacher's Kid (2010)

Directed by Stan Foster  
Crown of Life Ministries, Epidemic Pictures,  
Gener8Xion Entertainment

## THEATRE / STAGE CREDITS

### Forever Plaid (2020)

Directed by John Plews  
Produced by Katie Plews  
Ovation Productions

### Turn Up London (2020)

Directed by Nicole Raquel Dennis and Ryan Carter  
Club 11 London

### Respect: The Aretha Franklin Songbook (2019)

Starring Amber Riley, Mica Paris, Stacy Francis, Jaki Graham and Cleopatra Higgins  
Directed by Tiffany King, Racky Plews  
Produced by Adrian Grant  
Key Concerts, Baronet Entertainment

### Celebrate America (2005-2013)

Produced by Shadow Mountain, San Diego, California

### One More Chance: The Story of Jonah (1998, 2008, 2009)

Directed by Ian Oakley, Katy Lundeen

### A Shadow Mountain Christmas (2008-2012)

Produced by Shadow Mountain, San Diego, California

### Christmas in Grand Central (2006)

Produced by Shadow Mountain, San Diego, California

**A Smokey Mountain Christmas (2005)**  
Produced by Shadow Mountain, San Diego,  
California

**A 1940's Homecoming Christmas (2004)**  
Produced by Shadow Mountain, San Diego,  
California

## TELEVISION CREDITS

**X Factor (UK) - Stormzy, "Blinded by Your  
Grace Pt. 2" (2017)**  
Episode directed by Julia Knowles  
Syco Television

**INSP Campmeeting (2004-2006)**  
Directed by Sandra Sims, Doug Butts, Farley  
Lafferty  
Inspirational Networks

**Victory with Morris Cerullo (2012-2015)**  
Directed by Ruth Kinser  
MCWE

**Turning Point with David Jeremiah (2004-  
2013)**  
Directed by Troy Dausend  
Turning Point for God

## RECORDINGS

**Darryl Fitzgerald Walker, "Let it Be"  
(2021)**  
Produced by Leilani Vidal

**Tim Miner, Come Home for Christmas  
featuring Take 6 (2020)**  
Produced by Tim Miner  
MBK

**Ian Oakley, Henry M. Davis and Mark S.  
Payne, "You Raise Me Up" (2020)**  
Produced by Ian Oakley and Mark Payne  
PayMar Productions

**Marla Maples "Never-ending Hug" (2019)**  
Produced by Tim Miner

**Brian Martin, Worship for Life (2019)**  
Produced by Paul Watson

**Benjamin A.D., "B.A.D." (2018)**  
Produced by WAVSDNTDIE

**Ted Jiboye, Faithful (2017)**  
Produced by Goz-I-Am

**Wes Hampton, "He is Here", Out On a Limb  
(2014)**  
Produced by Wes Hampton

**Kaleigh Sheffield, "Who Do You Think You  
Are" (2012)**  
Produced by Tim Miner

**Derick Thomas (2021)**  
Produced by Derick Thomas

**Denise Pearson, "You Raise Me Up" (NHS  
Charity Single) (2020)**  
Produced by Ian Oakley and Mark Payne  
Baronet Entertainment

**Gavin Holligan, Sensitive Soldiers (2018-  
2020)**  
Produced by Gavin Holligan

**Tia Carys, "Intro", En Root (2019)**  
Produced by WAVSDNTDIE  
Sony Music

**Luke Smith, "The Beginning" (2019)**  
Produced by Luke Smith  
LCS Solutions

**MckNasty, As Things Grow (2018)**  
Produced by MckNasty

**Noel Robinson, Outrageous Love (2015)**  
Produced by Goz-I-Am  
Integrity Music

**Ian Oakley, It Is Well with My Soul  
featuring the London Symphony  
Orchestra, Chris Mann and Jarlath  
Henderson (2013)**  
Produced by Phillip Keveren and Ian Oakley



**Noel Robinson, Devoted (2012)**

Produced by Goz-I-Am

**Ian Oakley, Rejoice! A Christmas Celebration (2009)**

Produced by Ian Oakley  
Ebaniv Productions

**Gina Feliciano, A Song for You (2006)**

Produced by Terrance "Skyy" Grant  
Levelhead Entertainment

**Tim Miner, Not White Enuff (2004)**

Produced by Tim Miner  
Love Jones Music

**Lanee Battle, "All My Love", There R Times (2002)**

Produced by Mel Holder

**The Kenoly Brothers, "In the Midst" (2000)**

Produced by Sam Kenoly

**Dionne Warwick, "Humbly I Pray", Dionne Sings Dionne (1999)**

Produced by Tim Miner

**Jensine Bard (1998)**

Produced by Tim Miner

**Beth Current, "Beth Current" (2010)**

Produced by Tim Miner

**Tim Miner, I Dream in Living Color (2007)**

Produced by Tim Miner  
Love Jones Music

**Noel Robinson, Garment of Praise (2005)**

Produced by Noel Robinson

**Ron Kenoly, Fill the Earth (2002)**

Produced by Ron Kenoly

**Morris Cerullo, Decade of Harvest (2000)**

Produced by Ian Oakley  
MCWE

**Mark S. Payne and Ian Oakley, Be Bold (1999)**

Produced by Mark S. Payne  
PayMar Productions

**Tim Miner and the West Coast Worship Center Choir (1997)**

Produced by Tim Miner

## DVD Releases

**The Nelons "Live at Shadow Mountain" (2013)**

Produced by Jason Matthew Clark  
New Day for Daywind Music Group

**Keith and Kristyn Getty "Awaken the Dawn, Behind the Hymns" (2009)**

Produced by Michael Lennox  
Gettymusic

**Charles Billingsley "Live at Shadow Mountain" (2006)**

Directed by Troy Dausend  
Produced by Tom Brooks



## **CORPORATE /WEB VIDEO CREDITS**

Sarah Brown (Simple Minds) for Women's Aid (2020)

TheatreTrain Reading (2020)

Legacy Foundation, San Diego, California (2015)

Turning Point, Lakeside, California (2004-2013)

Shadow Mountain Community Church (2004-2013)

Point Loma Nazarene University (2007)

## **(MUSIC FOR) LIVE PERFORMANCES**

Archie Dennis Jr.

Austin Symphony Orchestra

Charles Billingsley

Charles Hill

Chris Mann

Clarence McClendon

Dallas Symphony Orchestra

David Charvet

David Elliott

David Pendleton

Fort Worth Symphony Orchestra

Gaither Vocal Band (Bill Gaither, David Phelps, Mark Lowry, Wes Hampton, Michael English)

Gilbert Castellanos

Henry Mackenzie Davis

Hoppers, The

Inspirational Networks

Jesse Dixon

Keith and Kristyn Getty

Kenoly Brothers, The

KICC

Lanee Battle

Larnelle Harris

London Community Gospel Choir

London Film Music Orchestra (formerly Notting Hill Orchestra)

Lurine Cato

Lynda Randel

Mark S. Payne

MCWE

Nelons, The

Noel Robinson

Point Loma Nazarene University

Powerhouse Gospel Choir

Rick Webb Family

Ron Kenoly

The Saxations

Shadow Mountain Community Church

Steve "America's Tenor" Amerson

Steve Archer

Ted Jiboye

Tim Miner

Tommy Walker

Trinity Broadcast Network

Turning Point

Urban Soul Orchestra