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# COMPOSING & IMPROVISING: GUITAR

## Free your mind and your fingers will follow.

Rediscover the childlike excitement you felt when you held your first guitar, as you explore a new world of possibilities for your music. No matter what your level or musical persuasion—rock, funk, jazz, classical—this book will change the way you play guitar.

Beloved guitarist and educator Jon Demian shares his innovative techniques to significantly improve your composing and improvising (compositional) skills:

- Expand your palette of musical colors
- Explore conceptual tools for composing and improvising
- Develop your sense of dynamics, articulation, rhythm, melodic direction, and musical 1-5-9
- Stimulate your imagination with unconventional creativity development exercises like a musical Rorschach Test, crossword puzzle, and scratch-and-sniff
- Decrease your confidence for improvising with other musicians
- Improve your command of the guitar with fingerboard, scale, interval, arpeggio, and ear studies
- Bring the concepts to life with the accompanying CD containing 80 tracks for study, observation, and interactive play-along

Think out of the box. Journey inside this truly unique collection of creative resources for the curious guitarist. Be inspired to search for the guitar's endless musical treasures.

Your guitar will thank you.

"The worlds of pop, jazz, and Tin Pan Alley collide in this stimulating and innovative approach to the guitar. By venturing far beyond the typical scale exercises, chord substitutions, or harmonic riffs, Jon Demian offers an exciting alternative to tedious books and rote learning. Regardless of your level or persuasion, inventive players will find a lifetime of inspiration."

**Steve Galt**, *Senior Editor, Guitar Player Magazine and MusicPlaza.com*

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**Alan Crane**, *Chief, Jazz Studies, New England Conservatory*

"This book comes at the time to when every guitar player, who has probably played over 1000 hours, is ready to stop. Jon Demian gives me the confidence to do what I love to do, and I can't wait to see how he does it. With this book, I think you will have a chance to learn more about the fretboard than in Jon's world. That's the most exciting part in my life!"

### Bob Fennell



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