



Mike has been playing guitar since age 10 with all of his musician friends. Self-taught initially, he has played original music, oldies, been in popular show bands, and straight-ahead rock. Influences came from groups like The Beatles, Yes, Rush and good hard driving and progressive rock. He is a tone geek, always seeking the best sound from his playing and experimenting continually with new gear to improve that tone and sound. Listening to players like John Petrucci, Steve Morse, Joe Satriani and Steve Vai to name a few, and trying to learn how they get such great sound was an obsession. "Playing well isn't enough. You have to sound good and understand how to use your gear". Currently Mike is super excited about be part of his band "**RetroVerse**" and its "**Decades Experience**" as well as the occasional recording some original music. "I have been fortunate enough to meet and play with some of the best musicians and people on Long Island and **RetroVerse** is the best project I've been in.