



## **Adidam Bio**

**Adidam (John H. Littlejohn)**, which stands for All Day I Dream About Music, is a violinist/producer/performer whose love and knowledge of different forms of music has given him a unique style and sound. As a hip-hop artist, Adidam performs solo and with his band "Psalm Fresh." He has produced two full-length albums, "Violinistik" and "All Day I Dream About Music." Tim Smith, music critic of the Baltimore Sun, called his music "distinctive" with "tightly rhymed lyrics," and a VH1 entertainment journalist called his compositions "extremely original and magnificently arranged and played." In a review for GospelFlava.com Gerard Bonner wrote, "Many have attempted to blend classical and hip-hop. Dare we say that few can do it with the authenticity of Adidam."

John "Adidam" Littlejohn is a graduate of the Peabody Conservatory where he completed a Master of Music degree (2002) and a Graduate Performance Diploma (2004) in violin performance with Herbert Greenberg after completing a Bachelor of Music degree at the University of Michigan (2000). A native of Lansing/Midland, Michigan, John began studying the violin at age ten in a public school system and began private lessons at the age of sixteen. His former teachers have included Anthony Elliott, Stephen Shipps, Andrew Jennings, Ann Schoelles, and Yitzhak Shotten (viola). He has served as the concertmaster of the Newark Symphony, Baltimore Sinfonietta, and Darin Atwater's Soulful Symphony and has been a member of numerous orchestras and ensembles including the Baltimore Opera Orchestra. Solo engagements include performances with C.O.S.M.I.C., the Midland Community Orchestra, a European tour with the International Youth Symphony Orchestra in 2003, and recitals and performances throughout the U.S., Canada, and Europe. He has also performed with Take 6, The Clark Sisters, Branford Marsalis, Melba Moore, Joshua Bell, Gil Shaham, Oleta Adams, Beverly Crawford, Richard Smallwood, SaulPaul and Regina Carter.

In addition to Psalm Fresh, Adidam is a member of Infinitus ([www.InfinitusMusic.com](http://www.InfinitusMusic.com)) in Vancouver, British Columbia. He has been featured in many publications including the Amsterdam News, the Austin Chronicle, and the Baltimore Sun. As a composer, his compositions and arrangements have been performed by Infinitus, the YAE Chamber Orchestra, the Young Eight String Octet, the Francek Sextet, and the Soulful Symphony. Just recently, his arrangements of pieces from George Gershwin's "Porgy & Bess" for two violins were performed by the Marni Duo at a fundraiser for Senator Barack Obama.

He currently resides in the greater Vancouver area of British Columbia.