

Who is Chris Godber?

He's a Billboard Charting Saxophonist with an Inspiring Story...

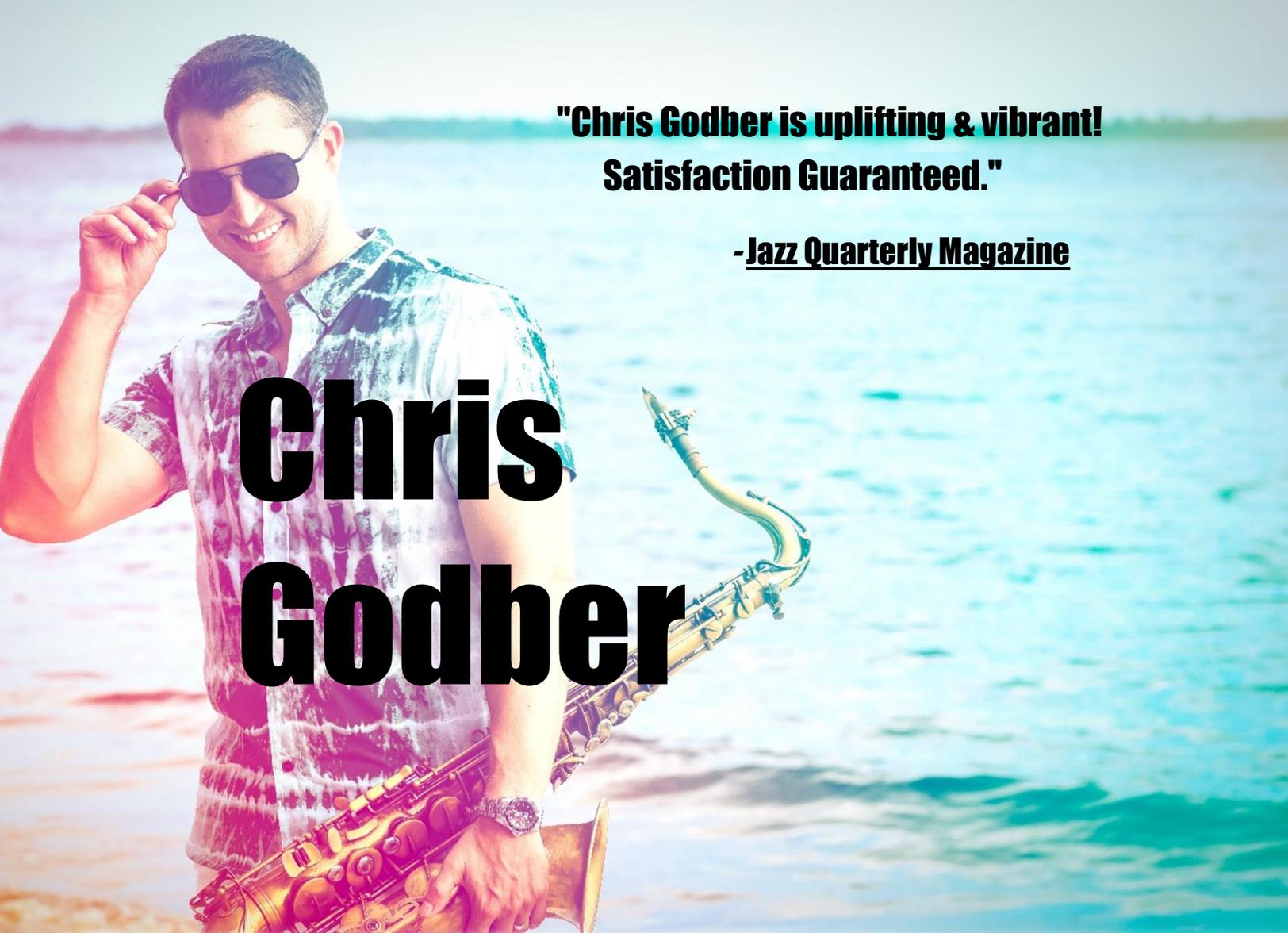
"If you've ever wondered what Kenny G would sound like if he kicked it up a notch, then you need to listen to this guy play... Chris has suffered from asthma since his youth, but has overcome it to the point of still being able to play... and play powerfully... truly a testament to his faith and determination." –*SmoothJazz.com*

***You've heard him on
PANDORA & SIRIUS
XM Watercolors***



His last 2 albums have charted Top 10 on the GrooveJazzMusic Charts

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**"Chris Godber is uplifting & vibrant!
Satisfaction Guaranteed."**

-Jazz Quarterly Magazine

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HOME BASE REGION: **Panama City, FL USA**

INSTRUMENTATION: **Smooth Jazz Saxophone** (Soprano, Alto & Tenor)

SOME PAST APPEARANCES:

- Copious Notes – Columbus, OH** (Sold Out Show)
- Seabreeze Jazz Festival - Panama City Beach, FL**
- Jacksonville Jazz Festival - Jacksonville, FL**
- **Clearwater Jazz Holiday Festival – Clearwater, FL**
- Clearwater Jazz Holiday After Party w/ Mindi Abair**
- The Velvet Note – Atlanta, GA** (Sold Out Show)
- St. James Live – Atlanta, GA-The Perfect Note – Hoover, AL** (Sold Out Show)
- SOAR Jazz Fest - Columbia, SC**

BIOGRAPHY

In the last few years Billboard charting saxophonist, Chris Godber (God – brrr) has become a highly sought after performer in both the Smooth Jazz & Gospel Jazz realms. He's been playing some of the nation's largest jazz festivals and constantly selling out his own shows at various jazz clubs throughout the country thanks to his addictive melodies and inspiring performances. Though he had several projects out prior, it was his 2015 album "Starting Over" that launched him into the Smooth Jazz spotlight with the chart topping hits Rain and Chill.

However, Godber isn't just another sax player. When he performs his goal is not just to entertain, but to inspire. He does both well because he's lived it. Despite being told by doctors he wouldn't be able to play the saxophone due to of the severity of his asthma, he took to it anyway. Picking up the sax in middle school band at age 12, he was first drawn to the sound of the saxophone while living in Germany. His family was military and while being stationed overseas the majority of their entertainment came from music as they picked up only one channel on their television. As Godber recalls, "I was a product of the 80's and Kenny G was getting pretty popular around that time. My parents were Big Kenny G fans!" No doubt it may have sparked his appreciation for the saxophone, but he definitely has a sound all his own with a healthy dose of R&B and Gospel roots showing through. For the last 24 years, Godber has been leaving others breathless with his soulful saxophone playing and inspiring testimony.

It's clear that Godber loves what he does. On stage, his performance is invigorating and inspiring. "The live shows are so much fun" Chris says. "What I like most about playing live though is the audience. Music is such a powerful force that brings people together and I think we need more of that. Despite doctors telling me I couldn't do it, God gave me the ability to play even with my asthma, so all Glory goes to Him. I tell my story everywhere that I play because I want it to resonate with people just as much as my music. You never know who's out there listening and who needs to hear something inspiring; that message of God's grace, hope and healing. That's why I do what I do."

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