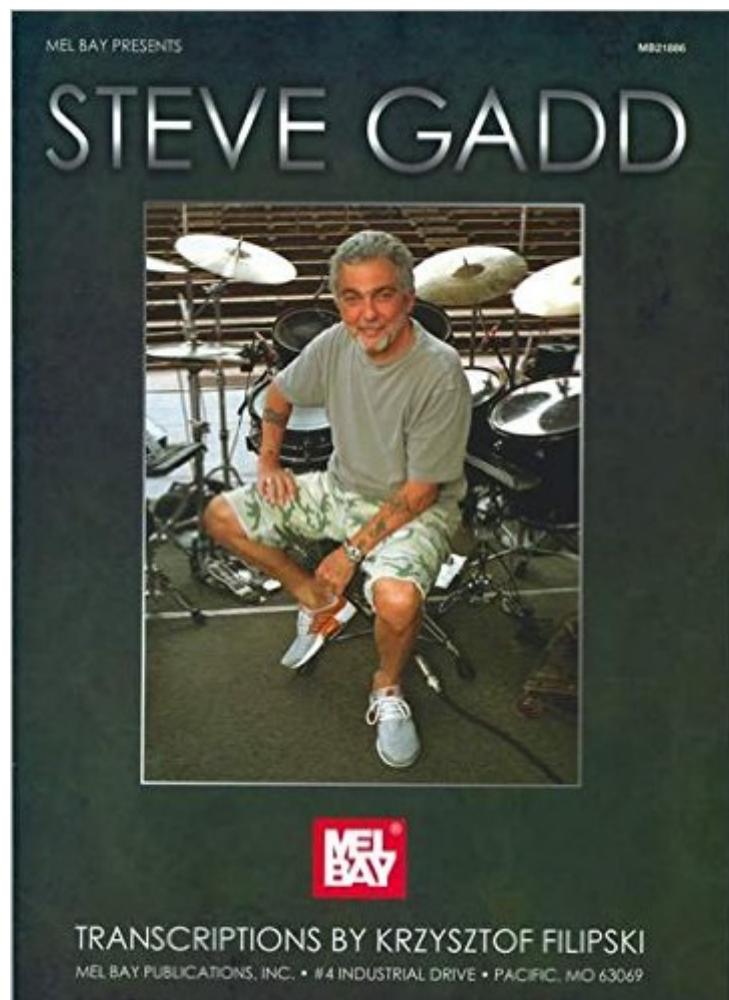


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# Steve Gadd Drumming Transcriptions (Mel Bay Presents)



## Synopsis

The Steve Gadd drumming transcriptions book honors the talents of one of the greatest drummers in the entire world: the amazing Steve Gadd. The book includes thirty stylistically varying transcriptions. It is a note for note, very accurate interpretation of Steve Gadd's style of playing the drums. In some cases there are only fragments that present the most interesting parts of the given song. The music is clearly notated and easy to read. Attractive quotations, biography, an extensive discography and videography are an extra bonus in this book.

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## Customer Reviews

Great book- so cool to discover all these tasty licks the master played in his career....wish I had more time to practice them all!

Be forewarned, if you're looking for a deep dive into the formidable technique of the legendary Steve Gadd, particularly if you've already done some study of the maestro, you may be disappointed. The bulk of this book consists of fairly repetitive transcriptions of relatively simple grooves. Don't get me wrong: Steve Gadd's ability to find the perfect, simple groove and play it in a hypnotic and beautiful way that elevates the whole track is a hugely important part of what makes him one of the great masters in the history of the instrument. And, if you're looking to begin your study, or emulation, of Mr. Gadd with some material that's hip but not too intimidating this is probably a good book for you.

Unfortunately, in my opinion, many of Gadd's really important contributions--traditional jazz, fusion, Latin--are underrepresented or absent. And what examples there are, of course, are hip (this is after all Steve Gadd), but the author doesn't really wade too deep into Gadd's boundary pushing innovations, and sticks closer to simple timekeeping (which, again, is by no means bad, but, I think, incomplete, even for a one volume treatment of the subject). The one solo in this book is a transcription of the opening segment of Gadd's "In Session" video in which he's playing along to a drum machine.

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