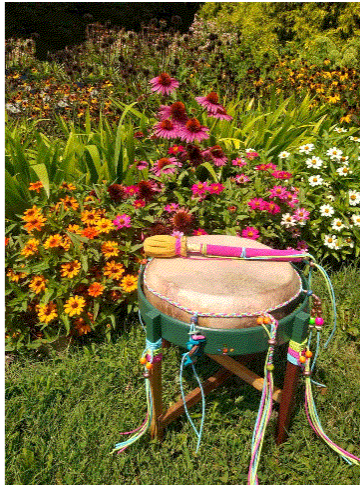




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The Hummingbird Lightning Drum

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Introduction

Hello and welcome to Thunder Valley Drums. I'm Bob, your drum maker. Thank you for visiting the website today and for your interest in learning more about this very special drum partner, the Hummingbird Lightning Drum.

I created it to honor a superstar in this everyday reality, a flying wonderment and surely one of the most loved creatures of this world. And in the larger reality, it is most assuredly one of the greatest spirits in the tiniest of beings. Hummingbird. I would like to share some thoughts about it and its namesake medicine drum in this brief three-part story.

Part One: Hummingbird, Real Magic in Everyday Reality

BAM! A bright flash of iridescent sunlight bursts into a tiny thrumming body hovering before your eyes and—*shazam!*—you are instantly lifted above the cares of this world, transformed with childhood wonder and delight.



1 Hummingbird the Magician

Such is the joyful introduction to the prestidigitation act of Hummingbird the Magician.

Music, animated stories, websites, books, aye, entire cultures have been captivated by this atomic flyer. Humans the world over love hummers as the epitome of one in happy service to all. Indeed, wherever this little spirit blasts off to is bound to bring a smile and amazement. Its zips in to feed its fledglings, sprints off to pollinate a flower while it fuels up on high-powered nectar, then instantly morphs in midair to become a roiling fusion of feathers and piercing tweets when it streaks like a missile to repel a would-be invader threatening its nest.

It does all of this with a sort of fierce joy, a tiny warrior monk in a brightly colored robe.

Part Two: Hummingbird, A Master in the Greater Reality

As with most things, there is much more to this diminutive creature than we can see with our regular eyes. Simply put, the Hummingbird is one of many masters in the Greater Reality, what shamans consider to be the Three Worlds, Upper, Middle and Lower. These overlapping,

immense worlds envelope all of the known universe, but are blocked from our everyday view. With purposeful, ego-free study and practice, however, shamanism prepares one to see with the eyes of the heart and thus to become enabled to view and function within these grand realms where Hummingbird thrives and gleefully demonstrates its spiritual mastery.



2 Master Hummingbird

In ceremony and when called on, Master Hummingbird helps shamans to quickly navigate the three infinitely large spheres in search of divine helpers, wisdom keepers, the Thunder and Lightning Beings, healers, teachers and countless others at the speed of lightning. It can zip between the worlds as easily as when its physical persona buzzes and hums from one flower to the next in our regular day-to-day perception.

And don't worry, you will be in watchful and joyous company while Hummingbird teaches you the ropes in your beginning journeys or when you call on it for assistance.

Part Three: The Drum to Honor It

The Hummingbird Lightning Drum, named in Hummingbird's honor after many journeys and much dreamtime we shared together over the past year, also possesses complementary abilities mastered by its namesake.

This is a drum of Unity, as it first manifests through sacred sound your desire for meaningful connection with Spirit. Then, if desired, this union may expand into a powerful triumvirate when

joined with a Master Guide/Teacher like Hummingbird to fulfill your intentions during a healing ceremony for someone or to gain deeper understanding of life questions and meaning. The triumvirate becomes larger than the sum of its whole as it illuminates an opening to the path forward with the brilliant glare of Lightning and the rumbling voice of Thunder. Your combined intentions fuse energy, frequency, vibration as One.

And finally...

I've always reported this fact to you: I never knew for whom I made a Lightning Drum, until they purchased it of course. It is a mystery which eludes me and is only known between Spirit and a seeker who may find such a beautiful drum to be the one with which to unite. Is this one yours?



If so, I guess it is easy to know that it has certainly been prepared for you with all my love and prayers that will lead you to fulfillment and healing in this and the greater reality. Soon, you may find Hummingbird to be your most beloved and trusted guide and helper. While you are in Dreamtime, you may discover

too that Hummingbird professes a creed of non-stop love every day in every way and who, when finally at rest, sleeps blissfully in a rainbow. That is how it gets its colors!

Aho & Namaste,
Bob