## "Sing in me Muse, and through me tell the story..." The Odyssey, by Homer

Because I am a musician, writer and visual artist, the power and immediacy of Homer's opening lines from The Odyssey resonate within me. His compelling words are affirmation that the universal and timeless ability of art to tell a story, indeed to define and give meaning to our very lives, is mankind's most vital inheritance. These inspired multi-colored links, connecting us one generation to the next, are an accurate depiction of our human odyssey and form a living creative process that is crucial to our survival.

**Harrison Goldberg** 

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## **Artist Bio:**

Harrison Goldberg is a man who wears many creative hats but his vision and focus has always been global. "Harrison" as he is known throughout northern California, and where he has made his home for the past 20 years, is an award-winning visual artist and wine-label designer whose work is in private and corporate collections throughout the world.

Harrison, the visual artist, is also a professional jazz saxophonist and recording artist with multiple CD recordings to his credit, the most recent being with the Jazz/World Fusion duo, Neon Egypt whose breakthrough improvisational CD, Tales of Kings, is attracting a huge international following.

As a writer, Harrison is the author of ...And Music Was King, an "edutainment" vehicle that began in the early 1980s as a music education workshop for children and has since evolved into a full-blown fable whose storyline has the potential to connect the world's diverse cultures and mankind through the beauty and power of music. The author considers this work his opus: "a global-vision using the lessons I've learned from playing jazz music with like-minded individuals as a model for promoting peace on the planet."