ANDY SUMMERS

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Andy Summers has achieved an international reputation as a musician, songwriter and producer, in the genres of rock, pop and jazz. A rock and jazz guitarist of wide experience and versatility, he co-founded The Police and enjoyed huge worldwide success with the band in the 1980s, and again in its recent reunion tour. He is also a published author and photographer.

career and which enabled him, even in his earlier years, to play and record with a very diverse range of well-known bands and solo artists including Zoot Money's Big Roll Band, the Animals and the Soft Machine. His innovative guitar style has made dynamic use of electronic effects and synthesiser technology. In the 1980s and later his music has increasingly reflected his love of modern jazz.

However, Andy Summers' period of greatest popular success began in 1977 when he joined with Gordon Sumner (better known as Sting) and Stewart Copeland to found The Police. With their distinctive and innovative blend of rock, jazz and reggae styles, The Police became one of the most successful bands of all time, with world-wi