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Rimelis is artist-in-residence for the New Jersey State Council on The Arts and teaching artist for the New Jersey Performing Arts Center. He is also director of music education for the AIDS Resource Foundation for Children in Newark, New Jersey.

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