

## Bio for Mr Mark

### Who is Mr Mark ?

His real name is Mark Cameron but he's been known to countless kids and their families as Mr. Mark, creator of wild and wonderful music for kids to sing and dance to. Armed with a truckload of enthusiasm and a truckload of instruments, his shows are always lively and engaging!

Mark Cameron has been performing as "Mr Mark" since 2002. During this time he has performed his high energy one man show for many festivals including, The Winnipeg International Children's Festival, The Banff Centre for the Arts, St. Alberts International Children's Festival, Alianait Festival in Iqaluit, The Lunenburg Folk Harbour Festival, The Hillside Festival, and many more festivals across Canada.

From 1990 till 2018, Mark Cameron was a percussionist/accompanist for Canada's Royal Winnipeg Ballet School, where the kids named him "Mr Mark". He has composed music for innumerable dances, on countless instruments, or even things that most people would not consider instruments. A washboard, a turkey baster, or a musical trench coat!

From 1997 till 2018 Mr Mark was also a very popular artist and clinician with The Manitoba Arts Council's Artist In The Schools Program, sharing his enthusiasm and Musical know-how, with kids across the province.

Since its inception in 1997, Mr Mark has been a part of The Winnipeg International Children's Festival's Circus and Magic Camp, where he creates orchestras out of junk, with the help of the fabulous "Camp kids" in Winnipeg.

Since moving to Tulsa Oklahoma in 2018, Mr Mark has not been idle! He has danced with The Tulsa Ballet in their productions of "The Nutcracker" and "Vendetta". When not dancing, he puts his talents as a composer/accompanist to use creating music for dances, and teaching in Tulsa public schools for Tulsa Ballet's Centre for Dance Education's outreach program called, "Project Create".

Starting in 2011, Mr Mark has been creating symphony shows for kids! For the last 11 seasons Mr Mark has partnered with The Winnipeg Symphony Orchestra, writing, staging, performing and composing for their very popular Kids concerts series. In May 2022, Mr Mark performed with The Regina Symphony Orchestra in a show he created called "The Adventures Of JS Box". In January 2023, The Winnipeg Symphony Orchestra will stage Mr Mark's Symphony show for kids called "Melodious Prime vs The Boyz of Noise". All of these kid friendly shows created by Mr Mark introduce children and their families to the wonders of symphonic music.

So whether you're singing the praises of Macaroni and Cheese or going on an adventure with the symphony orchestra..... you'll wind up wigglin' and gigglin' and wantin' more..... Mr Mark !!

