Ken J. Galipeau



StoryTeller and Singer

Biography

Ken Galipeau, a storyteller for over 30 years, is a collector of stories, songs and poems that touch our hearts and funny bone. He has performed in schools, libraries, church, storytelling festival, parties, etc. He has been the featured storyteller at numerous Tellabrations in NJ including Crosswicks, Jersey Shore and Morristown. He has presented a storytelling program at the NJ Storytelling Festival for the last 11 Years. Ken is also a favorite festival, coffeehouse and concert performer. Ken performs for people of all ages and accompanies himself on guitar, drum, and piano and sings a cappella.

His storytelling programs include stories and songs interwoven into a program that includes participation in the form of singing as well as joining in on story refrains. Often times the songs are story songs or ballads, sometimes they are just for fun or add an amen to a just completed story.

In addition to telling traditional tales, he tells personal stories. Some of these stories are tradition tales reworked as person tales placing them in actual settings in his life.

His main work has been in school assemblies and libraries, where he has presented programs for character education, kindness, and how "we are all one people".

Ken Galipeau has written songs and stories for children and families. He is also a composer and has put some of the poems of Les Barker to music. Ken has three recordings; his first is titled "Collection", which is a sampling of songs for adults. His second recording is "Ken Sings Les - The Demo" which contains 18 poems of Les Barker that Ken has turned into songs. And last but not least, is his long awaited Family CD, "Fishin' with Ish", which has 21 of his most popular songs. Children songs that adults love and adult songs the children love. All CDs are available at performances or his website www.storyNsong.com.



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NOTABLE QUOTES

"Ken Galipeau's extraordinary talent as storyteller and singer mesmerized the Mendham Township Elementary School student body during a day-long stay at our school. Ken interacted with five small groups of students throughout the day during our school-wide Enrichment Day, telling them stories and having them sing along. As a culminating assembly with all the 1st-4th grade students, Ken entertained the children with more stories and songs, having the same small groups of students perform with him. It was an outstanding, entertaining performance!" - Jill Parasine, Enrichment Day Coordinator and Teacher

"It was a delight to sing and move along with you. Your songs were fun, and your storytelling abilities are the most energetic and entertaining I have witnessed in the last decade I have spent in education. ... I feel that your talents warrant a shout of 'hooray!'. WE are all buzzing about how much we enjoyed this assembly!" - Lisa Fritz, First Grade Teacher, Harrison Township

"Ken provided a wonderful multi-cultural, interactive program that EVERYONE enjoyed from our preschoolers and school-age kids to their little brothers and sisters, to moms, dads, babysitters, grandma - and more! ... Kept the audience involved in fun - listening, singing, hopping and dancing - for well over an hour! Definitely worth a visit to your library!!!" - Christine Lopez, Children's Librarian

Milltown Public Library

"A highly competent performer who presents his stories and songs with a warmth that is contagious." ... "Ken has a knack for choosing material that is just right for the occasion and audience. He has them laughing one minute and hanging on every word of a thoughtful story or song the next." - Carol Titus, MLS



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