

(5/25/13 cont'd: ...and the kids...) just go crazy. Once a month I've been performing at the Orangewood Children's Home in Orange and boy do I have a heartwarming story. There is this one little girl that is blind. And the first time I performed, she just sat on the floor, in the back row, and listened but did not join the other children, participate in the activities. For example there's this one song I do called Sleeping Bunnies where the kids go from taking a nap in an imaginary park and hopping like a bunny, back and forth, etc.. Well she just sat there. Then, a month later, I show up and she's sitting in the front row, and the moment they announced me she sat up, raised her hand high and said "Oh could you do the bunny song, and also the one about the birds!" I do Black Bird by the Beatles. Then lo and beho she totally participated. She was jumping up and down and dancing with the other children the entire half hour. And at the end she really touched my heart when she said to me, "I like you."

In other recent events: I performed for the Bower's Kidseum in Santa Ana as well as the South Coast Plaza Spring Garden Show in Costa Mesa. What a fantastic experience they both were. The kids made me feel like a rock star in fact. Performing for kids is so much fun. I am now addicted and cannot wait for my next show. I love to make them laugh.

PREVIOUS NEWS:

04-04-13: Performed at the Orangewood Children's Home in Orange yesterday, and what a beautiful experience it was. I now belong to the Orange Coast Storyteller's Guild and once a month we volunteer at this wonderful home for kids. This time they got a musical treat and I was privileged to be a part of their lives. I look forward to doing it again.

03-31-13: 1st of two FREE Ranger Jack shows this week! Tomorrow morning, at the Bella Terra Mall in Huntington Beach, Monday April 1st at 10:25 AM. I am the Kids Club act for April. Performing outside for kids and families, I'll bring my piano and guitar. So come and sing along on April Fool's Day. I'll be performing in the amphitheater right in front of the Bella Terra Century movies. See you there.

2nd of two FREE Ranger Jack shows this week! This coming Saturday at the Kidseum in Santa Ana. There will be four hours of storytelling from 11-3. I will perform at least one half-hour music show, starting at 12 Noon, Sat. April 6th. See you there.

03-30-13: I now have weekly accounts/performances every Tuesday and Thursday, thru Jules Music for Kids, performing at nursery schools in Orange County, CA. Having a blast!!!

03-29-13: Corona Library gig last week was the best of my life. What a fun and enriching experience!

02-11-13 Whoo hoo. I am scheduled as Ranger Jack for two performances between

March 19th and April 1st. Corona Library March 19th at 7pm and I am the kids act for the month of April at the Bella Terra Mall.

02-01-13: The last two months have been a great ride. So busy! Yesterday was my 2nd library showcase in January and it went fantastic. I've was hired as Ranger Jack for the Corona, Anaheim and Torrence Public libraries for 2013 and was approached by more than a dozen more libraries enthusiastically asking for my flyers and prices, from LA County to the Inland Empire, to Orange County (especially) and even San Diego. So like one of my new songs goes: "Ranger Jack's Back". (Besides the fact that I must move in the next 30 days--arrrrhr LOL). Also, I am now officially hired by Jules of Jules Children's Music to be his number two for teaching pre-shool thru kindergarden at schools throughout orange county. For this the kids are already getting to know me as "Mr. Jack". I just sat in on 5 classes and performed a song per class. The kids are apparently now asking Jules if I will be back. He said yes! :) For now, I will sub and take on new accounts. Eventually he plans to only over-see and I may someday take over all Jules/OC school accounts and private parties.

So that's an update other than I cannot wait to record all my new songs (after I move and get settled again in Orange County). I have enough material for my 2nd and 3rd album not to mention my six programs: "Animals Are Happy" and "My Mama's Kitchen" (a version of each for preschoolers, children K-6 and families). Check out my upcoming Ranger Jack gig at the Corona Public library's family night this coming March 19th at 7pm. 11-29-12 - I'm performing tonight at Kulak's Woodshed 5230 Laurel Canyon Boulevard N. Hollywood, CA 91607 from 9:30-10pm. Come see the show or check it out via live web-cast. Go to www.kulakwoodshed.com. I've decided this time to play all piano and keyboard songs: "Animals Do Most Anything", "A Is For Aardvark", "Are You Sleeping", "Brave Bunny", "Bark Bark Bark", "Ballroom Baboons", "Emily's Song" and "Animals Eat Most Anything".

11-24-12 - Still in the midst of finally putting videos of my past performances on line. Plus I created a new one in my living room especially for libraries. I even missed Thanksgiving. But no worries, I am now ready for post-production and final editing which I can do with my family in San Diego. They saved me leftovers.

11-15-12 - Just returned from my vacation: five nights at the Westin LAX where I attended my third TAXI Music Rally. It was an amazing experience. I learned much about the music industry, performed some new kid songs three nights in a row, and on Monday and Tuesday, by the pool, I wrote two new songs. Thank you TAXI

11-7-12 - Completed the recording of new K-6 children's song about the planets. Drummer/producer and roommate Kyle was a huge help. I plan to play play it for my taxi-music mentors and perform it live at open mic.

11-6-12 - Had fun recording tracks for a new song today.

11-3-12 - Looking forward to spending my vacation at my 3rd annual TAXI Music Rally in LA Thursday Nov. 8th - 13th. I'll smooze, learn about the music biz, and hopefully write some new songs. Of course, I'm bringing my dog, Lucy. We go every year.

10-28-12 - Wrote a new kid's song today, on a labyrinth!

10-26-12 - My new website look is up!

10-25-12 - I took the proceeds from my last gig and bought a new Taylor guitar today. I am very happy!

10-22-12 - My new facebook look is up. Check it out.

10-19-12 - Performed six hour gig (live music and DJ) for Citibank's 1 Year Anniversary Celebration Tustin, CA.