# The BLUES BERRIES



# **ABOUT THE BLUES BERRIES**

The Blues Berries perform throughout Canada spreading their love for the blues to the younger generation. Their unique approach takes children's topics such as learning the alphabet, recycling, and bullying and blends them with bluesy beats to create educational songs that every child can get down and boogie to.

Having grown up on the blues themselves, each member of The Blues Berries hopes to give children an appreciation for the blues, both its deep-rooted history and the rich, emotional sounds of the music itself. Drawing influence from artists like Muddy Waters, Howlin' Wolf, and Stevie Ray Vaughan but leaving behind the traditional subject matter. The Blues Berries have created a unique hybrid of blues and children's tunes. Their music is fresh, smart and has both parents and children diggin' every groove.

#### **ALBUMS & NOMINATIONS**

Funky Blue Diner (2000)

Little People Music (1998)

# Show Description

# LET'S JAM

The Blues Berries *Let's Jam* show highlights the band's original songs for kids' festivals and family events. The music is classic blues-rock with educational and age-appropriate lyrics that take on themes like bullying, helping your parents out around the house, and recycling – all with a healthy dose of the hokey pokey thrown in for fun! The Blues Berries' *Let's Jam* show will have the kids up dancin' to the beat and their parents groovin' in their seats!

### **BLUES ROCKS!**

Blues Rocks! is a power-packed show from one of Canada's best-known groups for introducing popular music to young audiences. The performance traces the history of blues with an emphasis on how it has influenced popular music styles of the past few decades. Audiences can expect to hear music from traditional field hollers to the White Stripes, Robert Johnson to Jimi Hendrix, and everything in between. Audiences will clap and sing along, learn the 12-bar blues form, and even play air guitar.

**SHOW FORMAT:** content adapted for schools, festivals

and theatre audiences

SHOW LENGTH: Sets can be 30, 45 or 60 minutes

**INSTRUMENTS:** Guitar, bass, drums

AGES: all ages

#### **CONTACT**

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"The group was fabulous. Students and teachers raved about the performance and many students have told me that they are wanting to be susicians, too. Thumbs up from the staff and the students."

–Martha Gerow, Vice Principal, Lakewood Elementary School "It was awesome...
they involved the kids in their
performance playing air
guitars... kids were up and
dancing the twist... they talked
to the kids about the benefits
of music... and they play
Zeppelin!"

—Charles Schilling, Principal, Aspen Park Elementary School

#### **NOTABLE SHOWS**

Performed 1000+ school and festival shows in BC, Alberta, Saskatchewan and Ontario & U.S.

Arts Centre Theatre, Surrey, BC

Lewis Park, Courtney, BC

Moody Park / North Field, New Westminster, BC

Kiwanis Performing Arts Centre, Dawson Creek, BC

Morinville Community Cultural Centre, Morinville, AB

Village Stroll, Whistler, BC

Fraser River Heritage Park, Mission, BC

Townsend Theatre, Fort Frances, ON

Centrepointe Theatre, Ottawa, ON

Westminster United Church, Orangeville, ON

Wilmont Gateway Park, Woodinville, WA

Lacey Parks and Recreation, Lacey, WA

Town Square Park Kent, WA

Thornton A. Sullivan Park, Everett. WA

Colonial Theatre, Idaho Falls, ID

Great Show! The performers were excellent musicians, and also did a great job of involving their audience in a variety of ways. One of my teachers gave it her vote as the best performing arts group she has seen in a long time. Highly recommended!

—Cathy Anderson, Langley, School District No. 35