







Award winning singer songwriter Julie K channels her lifelong passion for music into writing and performing songs that are inspirational, educational and most of all, enjoyable for the whole family!

#### **BORN TO PERFORM**

Music has played a significant role in Julie K's life since the age of five when she spent her time entertaining the neighborhood with her backyard performances. While growing up, she was involved in a number of school and community theater productions. She continued pursuing her love of music at Rollins College in Winter Park, FL where she was selected as the first recipient of the Virginia Nelson Music Scholarship and graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree in vocal performance.

In 2005 Julie K started a Music and Movement program in Peoria that engaged children and families in a music making curriculum to foster a lifelong interest and love for music. This program grew to three locations and served the tri-county area for more than eight years.

#### **SPREADING JOY THROUGH MUSIC**

Inspired by a "Bucket List" message at her church, she fulfilled her desire to create inspiring music that both children and their parents could enjoy together. Her first album, "A Sunny Day" was released in 2009. She began performing concerts for businesses, churches, schools and organizations. Her additional recordings include "Animal Party" (2010) and "Family Love" (2012). All three albums have received national critical acclaim, including Dove Approved, Parents Choice, Creative Child Album of the year and Dr. Toy Awards. Her 4th album, "Happy Day" will be released in the fall of 2014.

In 2013, Julie K was named one of the Forty Leaders Under 40 by InterBusiness Issue and also received the 25 Women in Leadership award by WEEK News. She currently serves as the Community Music Representative for Children's Hospital of Illinois, bringing joy through song to children being cared for at the hospital.

#### LET THE SUNSHINE IN

Julie K has brought her sunny, uplifting performances to audiences throughout the Midwest, including Illinois, Indiana, Missouri and Oklahoma. She holds an annual Noon Year's Eve Concert singing to sold-out audiences where children are treated to a delightful and interactive concert with a bubble wrap stomp and massive balloon drop! Julie K has also performed her "A Sunny Day" benefit concert since 2011, helping to raise over \$140,000 for Children's Hospital of Illinois.

#### LIVING LIFE TO THE FULLEST

Julie K lives in Peoria, IL with her husband Donny and their son Weston, the light of her life. When she is not performing, Julie K can be found on the golf course or in the gym cheering on her son.

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# **NATIONAL RECOGNITION**



FAMILY LOVE 2012 Creative Child CD of the Year Award



ANIMAL PARTY 2011 Creative Child CD of the Year Award



A SUNNY DAY 2010 Creative Child Preferred Choice Award Winner



ANIMAL PARTY & A SUNNY DAY Dove Foundation Family Approved Seal



2013 40 LEADERS UNDER FORTY



2013 25 WOMEN IN LEADERSHIP



ANIMAL PARTY 2011 Parents' Choice Award Winner

**A SUNNY DAY** 

Award Winner

2010 Parents' Choice



ANIMAL PARTY 2011 Parents' Choice Award Winner

A SUNNY DAY 2010 NAPPA "Rising Star" Recognition



A SUNNY DAY 2010 Dr. Toy Best Vacation Product Award Winner

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# **EVENTS**

## **CONCERTS / DURATION: 45 - 50 minutes**

A musical extravaganza where children and families jam with Julie K and her delightful melodies! Singing, dancing and joyful clapping abound in this concert that captures a child's heart. Families will enjoy a fun-filled interactive experience with bubbles, balloons and more...Kidstyle!

**Perfect for:** Concert Halls, Auditoriums, Theaters, School Gyms, Festivals, School Functions, Libraries and/or Summer Reading Programs

# CHURCH CONCERTS FOR KIDS & FAMILIES / DURATION: One hour

Through song and scripture, Julie K will warm the hearts of families with God's joy and greatness. Families will celebrate singing together as they praise His awesome name all with bubbles, balloons and more!

Perfect for: Church Festivals, Vacation Bible School, Youth Groups, Sunday Schools

# SCHOOL CONCERTS/READING INITIATIVES / DURATION: One hour

Magical and meaningful, Julie K's school concert inspires children of all ages. Children are encouraged with lyrical lessons on the value of friendship, the importance of being a leader, persevering and reaching for their dreams. Julie K's enchanting vocals have a special appeal that energizes children to be the best they can be!

**Perfect for:** School Events and Initiatives, Open Houses and School Recruitment, Back-to-School Parties, Library Summer Reading Programs



# REFERENCES

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