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Ric Gillman
Performing and Recording
Artist
6 and 12 String Acoustic Guitar

"Some of the best guitar work I have heard, anywhere"

Bobby Vee

A truly accomplished performer Ric's musical career began in a basement in Minnesota. After a stint in a garage band, that the neighbors could all hear (whether they wanted to or not), he sold a variety of unneeded electronics and purchased an acoustic guitar. With a new direction he moved to the Pacific Northwest.

Embarking on solo performances his musical prowess provided him with regional gigs and an occasional spotlights. Becoming a steadfast member of the regional music community, he was sought after to perform, collaborate and compose.

Altering course he moved to Madeline Island on Lake Superior. His music led to his partnering with the late Don Pavel, Orchestra Director for Lake Superior Big Top Chautauqua, and eventually forming two groups of performers the "CharterKats" featuring the Vees and members of his other band the "Great Lakes Boys" with Pavel and Ed Whillet, (Rickie Lee Jones Cellist). His music world led him to work with regional and national greats: Bobby Vee; Tommy Emmanuel; Chris Smithers; Spider John and a host of others. As a producer Ric created and wrote for the "Madeline Island Radio Hour", created musical events which have become annual fundraisers, wrote compositions for TV broadcast and helped to create an instrument loan program for up and coming artists.

Of late he has collaborated with T. Bruce Bowers, (electric violin), continues to perform with his son, Bentley, (a remarkable talent), and performs a dynamic solo show.

For Venues: Staging requirements are minimal. Ric can provide sound reinforcement for small intimate venues and large rooms. He also works well with onsite tech's and house/theater systems.

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