

*"David Archibald is leading Canadian kids on a remarkable environmental journey"*  
- Harrowsmith magazine

*"...superb program...infectious songs...piqued camper interest..."*  
- Mike Ogilvie, NHE Leader, Charleston Lake Provincial Park

*"...brilliant song writing and moving performance  
...thanks to David for a special moment!"*  
- Bob Henderson, Council of Outdoor Educators of Ontario, Pathways magazine

*"...a special contribution...as always (the) performance was both entertaining and relevant."*  
- Luba Mycio-Mommers, Canadian Wildlife Federation

*"...extremely positive response..."*  
- Jenifer Addy, NHE Leader, Darlington Provincial Park

*"...empowers children to see themselves as part of the solution."*  
- Yvonne Dufault, Regional Key Teacher, Doncrest P.S., Richmond Hill, ON

## Biography: *David Archibald - songwriter/storyteller*

Sure, he's worked with music industry icons like **Avril Lavigne** and **Howard Shore**, but David Archibald is most at home in a park setting on a midsummer's night. His engaging and interactive performances have become camper favourites across the country. His work on Great Lakes marine heritage ***Spirit of the Inland Sea*** led to a full-length musical at the **Blyth Festival (*The Perilous Pirate's Daughter*)** and an invitation to give a workshop on the traditional music of the Great Lakes at the **North American Folk Alliance** Convention in Cleveland, Ohio.

Several National and Provincial Parks have commissioned David to write and record songs based on their natural and cultural history. These include: ***Pukaskwa: Songs of Superior*** (Pukaskwa National Park); ***Spirit of the Inland Sea*** (Bruce Peninsula National Park); ***Savanna, Sand & Butterflies*** (Pinery Provincial Park); ***St. Nora's Tower*** (Frost Centre); and ***Legends and Lore of the Charleston Shore*** (Charleston Lake Provincial Park). **"Blue Mountain Blue"** from the Charleston Lake project is featured on the popular CD ***Canoesongs Vol. 2***.

Much of David's work has been in the field of children's music. He has written for and performed on ***Sesame Street*** in New York and CBC's ***Mr. Dressup***. His pop-music compositions have been recorded with **RCA**. David's music has been regularly featured on **CBC Radio**.

Whether it is in poignant or comic mode, Archibald blends first-rate entertainment with gentle education covering everything from Ecological Integrity to Isostatic Rebound, from Species at Risk to Sleeping Giants.

# DAVID Archibald PARKS

## Park, Park, Park!!!



*A Musical Celebration of Parks and Camping Life*

**It's interactive. It's informative. It's in-tents!** Immerse yourself in Ontario's vast fresh-water resources in 'Five Great Lakes.' Help David find the elusive 'Great Bear of Summer.' Watch out for the three-leafed menace in 'The Poison Ivy Song.' Learn about the incredible resources within our parks in 'Park, Park, Park!!!' Gather 'round and sing about skunks,

skinks and turkey vultures in 'Campfires.' Uncover the truth about our endangered species ("Gulo gulo"), spaces ("Let's Do It Now") and biodiversity ("Signs of Life"). The audience even helps to write a song. Bring the whole family.

David headlined at Hamilton's Copps Coliseum on Earth Day. He has shared the stage with David Suzuki on several occasions. He is well known for his part ('Dave') in **Jim & Dave's Awesome Environmental Adventures** (co-written by James Gordon). David also received a citation from the Canadian Healthy Environment Awards.

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# We Got the Rock!

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*A Superior Musical Adventure  
(thanks to Pukaskwa National Park)*

A grade 8 student is denied permission to go on his Grad Trip unless he completes his Science Fair Project. With this strong incentive, he sets out on an adventure that takes him to volcanoes, glaciers, lumber camps,



voyageur routes and more - all within Ontario! This is an interactive extravaganza where the audience helps not only with the songs but also with the construction of David's giant jigsaw puzzle of the northland habitat - learning along the way.

An upbeat performance featuring songs written by Ontario students (with a little help from David).

Songs in English, French and Anishnaabe. Titles include: "We Got the Rock!" "The Water Cycle Song," "Air, Water, Shelter, Food," "Beketekong Pow-wow Blues," "Emmanuel, le voyageur" and more.

*We Got the Rock!* songs have been featured on CBC Radio's *Fresh Air* and children's radio shows across the continent.

### Curriculum links to:

Habitat, First Nations Peoples, Early Settlements, Traditions & Celebrations, the Earth's Crust, the Water Cycle, Diversity of Living Things, Plants, Animals and more.

## Songs of Superior

*A celebration of our north country*

Caribou, frozen wilderness, driftwood violins and trappers form the backdrop to David Archibald's tribute to the vast land north of the Soo. Feel the power of a November storm on the great inland sea of Superior and marvel at the tenacity of tiny Arctic alpine plants in such an unforgiving climate.

The whole family will enjoy an evening filled with humour, insight and appreciation of the northern landscape. Engaging stories of Superior's natural and cultural heritage are woven into the fabric of the performance. Who was that man with the spike in his head? And speaking of heads, was the Bre-X scandal foretold by a tin swindle at Otter Head?

### Song titles include:

"Land of the Caribou," "Driftwood Violin," "Pukaskwa Wind," "Bird's Eye Primrose," "Path of the Paddle," "Beketekong Pow-wow Blues," "Emmanuel, le voyageur" and more.

Several tracks from the CD *Pukaskwa: Songs of Superior* have been broadcast regularly by CBC Radio. "Path of the Paddle" has been included in several compilations including *Canoesongs Vol. 1* and education packages.

### Curriculum links to:

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# SONGS OF SUPERIOR



## Spirit of the Inland Sea

*Songs and Story Telling - A Musical Celebration of our Great Lakes' Marine Heritage*

Come and hear songs and stories of shipwrecks and shorelines, light-keepers and lakes, pirates and pigeons - Passenger Pigeons. There is even a song about the marine uses of horse manure. The tunes range from up-beat, humorous and interactive to poignant. The seamless blend of story-telling and song takes the audience back to the days when our lakes and rivers were high-ways of adventure, commerce and dreams.



David brings *Spirit of the Inland Sea* to thousands of concert-goers and park visitors each year.

Titles include: "The Ballad of Pirate Bill," "Rocks of Tobermory," "Captain John Munro," "The Nags that Saved the Schooner" and more.

"The historical and musical content of *Spirit of the Inland Sea* makes it an exceptional addition to history, social studies and music programs in schools."

Heather Lundy  
Natural Heritage Educator  
MacGregor Point Provincial Park

"...wonderful, jam-packed with stories and songs featuring the marine history of Lake Huron/Georgian Bay - we laughed, we cried and sang along with David."

*The Sounding Line*  
Tobermory, ON

"One of the highlights of the Marine Heritage Festival at Southampton was *Spirit of the Inland Sea*, written and presented by that most engaging performer David Archibald. His knowledge of our local history is unbelievable."

Bruce Coast Fo'c's'le  
Southampton, ON

"...the audience was spellbound..."

Caroline Byford  
Mosaic magazine

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