

Dennis Warner

BIOGRAPHY

HIGHLIGHTS:

- Ten CD's
- Featured in Concert at The Kennedy Center, Washington, D.C.
- Author of *Beads on One String*, Sixth Printing
- Three time Kerrville Folk Fest "New Folk" Finalist
- Radio, TV and more...

Performing in over **100 cities each year**, Americana/Folk/Acoustic musician and entertainer Dennis Warner captivates audiences with his smooth vocals and six and twelve string guitars. He has also found a niche as a popular guest speaker at various community gatherings throughout the country.



Warner's ninth CD, ***Seeds***, generated a lot of attention throughout the world, being named one of the top CDs of 2012 in folk music based on radio play. FOLK DJ also named him one of the top artists of 2012. Renowned ***Midnight Special*** radio host **Rich Warren** tipped his hat to Dennis by designating ***Seeds*** as his "CD Pick of the Week" on his nationally syndicated show.

Dennis Warner's tenth CD, ***Beep Beep***, is also his first album intended for children. Years of fan requests for such a project came to fruition after receiving a grant from the McKnight Foundation and the Central Minnesota Arts Board. ***Beep Beep*** weaves together Warner favorites from his youth with newer songs, either written by himself or friends and colleagues in the folk music world such as Tom Rush and Tom Paxton.

Now in its Sixth Printing, Warner's timely book ***Beads on One String*** evolved from one of his songs and led to the creation of ***The Beads on One String Project***, an elementary school curriculum used throughout the country as a meaningful and fun way to teach kids about the negative effects of bullying and the positive effects of recognizing our "connectedness" with each other. In support of his book and the curriculum project, Dennis is often a guest musician and speaker at schools, libraries and other community events.

For his songwriting talents, Dennis was honored with an invitation to perform in concert at the **Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts** in Washington, D.C. Other accolades include being a three-time "New Folk" finalist for songwriting at the internationally acclaimed Texas based **Kerrville Folk Festival**, co-founded by legendary performer Peter Yarrow (Peter, Paul & Mary). Dennis has also appeared multiple times at Nashville's famed writers' club, The Bluebird Café.

Besides his original music, Warner is widely admired for his moving interpretations of songs written by others. Fan favorites include ***Don't Laugh at Me***, ***The Garden Song (Inch by Inch)*** and ***Homegrown Tomatoes***. Many also know Dennis for his classic YouTube video ***I'm My Own Grandpa*** with over three quarter of a million hits.

Other credits: Hosting ***Jammin' with Dennis Warner***, broadcast by many public radio affiliates. He has appeared on numerous regional television and radio programs as well as NPR's ***Great Acoustics, Live!*** and ***River City Folk***. Warner has also been featured on Minnesota Public Radio's ***Radio Heartland***, WBAI's syndicated ***Radio Unnamable with Bob Fass*** from New York City and in concert on the internationally syndicated ***Soundstage*** from Chicago.

Dennis has collaborated with many noted musicians, including musician/humanitarian **J.D. Steele**, rock and roll legend **Bobby Vee**, vocalist **Prudence Johnson**, instrumentalists **Peter Ostroushko**, **Paul Diethelm**, **Freebo** and **George Maurer**.

In November of 2018, Dennis was invited to sing for the **Parliament of the World's Religions** gathering in Toronto, where over 7,500 people attended the weeklong conference, representing more than 80 nations and 250 spiritual backgrounds.

Besides being a gifted musician, Dennis Warner is also an **outstanding entertainer**, cleverly blending ballads, up-tempo songs, audience participation and humor into a memorable event. He is noted for his warm stage presence and ability to connect with his audience.

Though he calls Minnesota home, Warner loves to travel and has visited every state, touring solo and also with his band "the D's". On and off the stage, Dennis is personable and good-humored. When not working on his music, he can be found sailing, eating ice cream or listening to a Minnesota Twins baseball game. On a good day, he might be doing all three.

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