

Joey

~ A History ~

It seems musically appropriate that Joey was born in **Woodstock**, New York – home of the most significant musical event in history. He began playing the guitar (a Christmas present from his parents) at age 13. By the time he received his music education degree at the University of Maryland Joey was performing in bands along the Eastern seaboard and soon began writing songs that would eventually land him a job writing commercial jingles.

As a next logical step, Joey moved to the California music capital and built his first recording studio to develop his singer-songwriter talents. At once, a music publisher paired him up with songwriter Jason Blume who writes for **Britney Spears** and **Backstreet Boys**.

His song *Little Miss Perfect* received high critical acclaim, prompting Actress/Author **Suzanne Somers** to proclaim, "Your music has an important message. I felt like *Little Miss Perfect* was written about my life. You have taken a negative and turned it into an incredible positive to help others."

Joey's discography highlights:

- a. **Recovery Songs for Adult Children Of Alcoholics** (1991). Favorably reviewed by the trades and the leaders in mental health including **Dr. Claudia Black, Pia Mellody, & Terry Kellogg**.
 - b. **Living In The Restless Age** (1998). An "ahead of it's time" Interactive Enhanced Multimedia CD containing songs that would be used in **movies**.
 - c. **DVD Music Video RETREAT** (1999). This award-winning **music video** is a film about Domestic Violence Awareness.
 - d. **Broken Together** (2003). This album marked the beginning of Joey's journey into Contemporary **Christian** songwriting.
 - e. **Recovery Oriented Christian Music** (2004). An innovative collection pioneering the use of the Word of God in songs about **recovery** and addiction.
 - f. **Joey & The Singing Zoo Revue** (2005). An experimental children's music CD which launched Joey's songs on **TV and Nationwide Radio**.
- During Vivendi Universal's height of popularity, Joey's song *Miracle Mom* overtook **Madonna, Faith Hill** and **REM** on mp3.com's worldwide Top 40 chart.
 - His songs can be found in film as well – a Todd Portugal film co-starring **Rachel Hunter**, called *Soul Mates*. Another, *Flooding*, has been rented tens of thousands of times.
 - As of 2010, Joey has won the prestigious **ASCAP Plus Award**, the music industry's highly respected honor for excellence in songwriting, a total of 6 years in a row.
 - *Living' Alive*, Joey and Jeanie's song about their home town, was chosen in 2009/2010 for the theme song of the **International Amelia Island Film Festival**.
 - Joey and Jeanie are active members of their churches **Worship Band, Grace Notes**, at Memorial United Methodist Church on Amelia Island, FL.
 - Joey and Jeanie placed a church performance of their song *Hold Me Up* on **YouTube** where it quickly began receiving thousands of plays, most from far beyond their region.
 - In 2010, Joey and Jeanie released their self-titled **debut CD** which, simply put, is consistently cherished by listeners.
 - For an **extensive list** of recently played, and upcoming, events please visit Joey and Jeanie at www.joeyandjeanie.com.