

## Ed Peekeekoot: Press Kit

Multi-instrumentalist, singer-songwriter, and story-teller, Ed Peekeekoot is a skilled and seasoned performer. He has a timeless kind of cool that appeals to audiences of all ages. Ed's performances go from blazing guitar work to foot stomping fiddle and haunting Native flute – all sprinkled with his Cree humor and philosophy. He takes people on a wildly varied musical journey from country folk to a touch of classical and jazz.

From the Ahtahkakoop Cree First Nation in Saskatchewan where he grew up in a musical and supportive family, Ed now lives on Vancouver Island. He has been a solo musician for over three decades – cutting his musical teeth in the bars and clubs of Vancouver and now appearing in concerts, festivals, school performances, corporate events, dances, and retreat gatherings across western Canada and into the US.

Ed was twice nominated as the BC Country Music Association's "Instrumentalist of the Year" and his CD "in the key of cree" was nominated as "Best Country CD" in the Aboriginal People's Choice Music Awards.

### Discography:

- Compilation Christmas CD *A Moose in a Maple Tree* (2011) features "Grandma's Gingerbread House"
- *A Prairie Christmas* (2010)
- □ *Dance Tonight* (2008) a collection of most requested cover tunes
- *in the key of cree* (2006) nominated for Best Country CD in the 2008 Aboriginal People's Choice Music Awards Winnipeg. Genre: World/Aboriginal.
- □ *Front Porch* (2005) Genre: Instrumental/ Folk/Acoustic.
- *Two Worlds* (1988) BCCMA's EP of the Year 1988

- Also appeared on *Močikan – Songs for Learning Cree* (2007) by Art Napoleon.
- □Compilation CD *Dig Your Roots-Aboriginal* (2006) Campus Radio Association.
  - CDs available at [www.peekeekoot.ca](http://www.peekeekoot.ca) or CD Baby <http://cdbaby.com/>

#### Film and Radio:

- Featured on *New Canoe* April 2009, A Channel, Victoria, BC
- *Full Moon Song* and *Kokum's Lullaby* used in Harold Joe's film *Broken Down*.
- □Ed's guitar instrumental *Land of the Raven* was the theme music for the film series, *North American Indian Portraits*. He was featured in that series in a film called *Gentleman Cowboy of Honky Tonk*.
- □The APTN (TV) series *Beyond Words* profiled Ed as artist & musician in 2006.
- □Airplay on CBC and on campus & community radio in Canada and the U.S.  
 The National Campus and Community Radio Association chose *Wild Lilies to Wheat Fields* from *in the key of cree* for a track on their "*Dig Your Roots – Aboriginal*" compilation CD, in 2006. *Five national concerts followed, each broadcast live nationally on campus and community radio stations.*

#### PAST PERFORMANCES (Partial Listing):

##### 2011 Highlights

- Home Routes tour of Yukon
- Ontario Contact Showcase
- Organization of Saskatchewan Arts Councils Tour
- Cariboo Cowboy Festival, BC
- Dollarwatch Jamboree, Winthrop, WA, US
- Canadian Rockies Cowboy Festival, AB
- Aboriginal Day, Comox, BC
- Corporate Events for MacGillivray & Associates, Victoria, BC
- Julyamsh Concert, Idaho, USA

- Gateway Folk Festival, SK
- Terrace Métis Festival, BC
- Stony Plain Cowboy Festival, AB
- Comox Exhibition, BC
- Vancouver Métis Gathering, BC
- Wellness Gatherings, School Performances, Flute Workshops

### 2010 Highlights

- Organization of Saskatchewan Arts Councils Showcase: North Battleford
- Indian Summer Festival, Milwaukee, WI, US
- Stony Plains Cowboy Gathering, Stony Plains, AB
- PA Ex, Prince Albert, SK
- Port Alberni Arts Council Concert Series, Port Alberni, BC
- Corporate Events for MacGillivray & Associates, Victoria, BC
- Canadian Rockies Cowboy Festival, AB
- Teslin Tlingit Festival, Teslin, YT
- Vancouver School Board Flute Festival and School Performances
- Skookum Jim's Folklore Festival, Yukon Arts Centre, Whitehorse, YT
- Aboriginal Music Series, Festival Place, Sherwood Park, AB
- Presented several Native Flute workshops, Vancouver Island, BC.

### 2009 Highlights:

- Pacific Contact Showcase for BC Touring Council
- Aboriginal Day Live 2009 on APTN
- National Aboriginal Housing Conference, Richmond, BC
- Tofino Music Festival, Tofino, BC
- Atlin Art & Music Festival, Atlin, BC
- Cottonwood Festival, Fort St. James, BC

- William's Lake Stampede

**Prior Highlights:**

- □North American Indigenous Games, BC
- John Arcand Fiddle Festival, SK
- □Saskatoon Fringe Festival, SK
- Salt Spring Island Folk Club, BC
- □Native History Month at the Native American Art Gallery, Dallas TX
- 100 Mile House Cowboy Concert, BC
- Kamloops Cowboy Festival, BC (2008 & 2009)
- □Elders Conference Gatherings, Quadra Island, BC
- □Islands Folk Festival, Duncan, BC
- □Winnipeg Children's Festival, MN
- □Surrey Children's Festival, BC
- □Penticton Children's Festival, BC
- Walking in Balance Conference, Fort St. John, BC
- □Envision Twilight Concert Series, Mission, BC
- □Mayne Island Folk Club, BC
- □Armstrong Interior Provincial Exhibition Stampede & Rodeo, BC
- Dakota Dunes Resort and Casino, Saskatoon, SK
- □Aboriginal People's Choice Music Awards ceremony, Winnipeg, MN
- Manito Ahbee Festival
- McPhillips Street Station Casino, Winnipeg, MN
- □Corporate Events: including Thrifty Foods and Finning Tractor□
- First Nations Elementary & High Schools: Saskatchewan & Manitoba
- □Schools throughout BC

