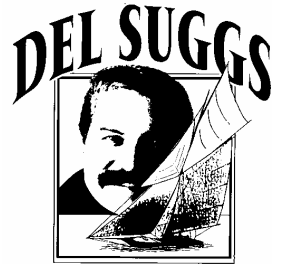


Del Suggs Bio



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The philosopher Kierkegaard wrote that “Life can only be understood backwards; but it must be lived forwards.”

You might apply that to the career of **Del Suggs**.

His latest accomplishment is the publication of ***Truly Leading: Lessons in Leadership***. This book is twenty-one chapter course in leadership skills, aimed directly at college and university student leaders. It is receiving high praise from those in the higher ed community.

The award-winning **ASCAP** songwriter, singer, and guitarist has cut a remarkable path. During his thirty-plus year career, Suggs has produced and released five albums of his own songs. He’s also produced over a dozen releases for the independent label **The Cascades Recording Company**. He’s been named “The Very Best of The Best” in music by **Campus Activities** magazine.

He’s also earned a *Masters’* degree in Instructional Design and Development from Florida State University, and studied with Dr. Robert Gagne and Dr. Leslie Briggs-- peers of B.F.Skinner. Suggs has taught at FSU in both the College of Education *and* the College of Music.

To top it off, he was named “**Best Campus Speaker of the Year**” as voted by the school membership of **Association for the Promotion of Campus Activities**. And at the top of **Campus Activities** magazine’s “**Hot Speaker Choices**.” In addition to his musical and educational career, Suggs has taken a lifetime of volunteering experience and created a number of leadership development programs which have become a hot ticket at colleges across the country.

By the way, he’s released a new CD named “**Almost Christmas**,” and is restoring a 1974 Chrysler Mutineer sailboat. And he shares the cover of a new book titled **Roadmap to Success** with **Deepak Chopra** and **Dr. Kenneth Blanchard** (famed author of *The One-Minute Manager*).

“I guess I’m still trying to figure out what I want to be when I grow up,” he said in an recent interview. “The problem is, I want to do everything.”

Suggs is past president of the **Tallahassee Museum of History and Natural Science**, ranked one of the top ten museums in Florida. He received the “**2004 Museum Service Award for Outstanding Trustee**” from the **Florida**

Association of Museums. He has been on the board of directors of the **National Association for Campus Activities** (NACA), the **Florida Flambeau Foundation, Inc.**, and the **Musicians Association of Tallahassee.** He's even been named "**Volunteer of the Year**" by WFSU-FM, the NPR affiliate in his home town. Del is also a **Voting Member** of **The National Academy of Recording Arts & Sciences** (The Grammy Awards).

Suggs is a contributing author to the 2008 book "**Tour:Smart**" by **Martin Atkins** (Nine Inch Nails, Ministry, et al). Other authors include **Henry Rollins, Zim Zum** (from **Marilyn Manson**), and more rock royalty.

Suggs was the third inductee into the **National Campus Entertainment Hall of Fame in 2001.** **Performing Songwriter** magazine describes Suggs as "**Jimmy Buffett jamming with the Indigo Girls and James Taylor.**" **Dirty Linen**, the acoustic/folk music magazine, said "**his songwriting adeptness is a marvelous blend of depth and perception that never fails to inject serious subject matter with consistently entertaining music.**"

With his flowing hair and walrus mustache, Del Suggs is easily recognizable on stages all over the country. Whether he's presenting a lecture on "Truly Leading," doing training in "**Learning Reconsidered,**" or singing his own composition "Magic Chair," the audience is held in rapt attention by his talents.

Del Suggs is an *original*. He is one of those individuals who comes on stage as a stranger, and leaves it as a friend. That is a rare gift.

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