

Captain Billy's School of 5-string Banjo

Nothing gets your toes tapping faster and face smiling brighter than the music of the 5-string banjo, and that's just what Captain Billy Banjo brings to you.

Learn To Play The Bag!

In his self-contained show, Captain Billy presents a thumbnail sketch of the history of the 5-string banjo, and a musical comparison of the finger-picking and old-time styles of playing. Captain Billy (Ernie Guderjahn) is an award winning banjo player, a banjo teacher and a student of the banjo. He makes sure that the audience walks away with a head full of knowledge and a heart full of song.

Educational: Historical information about the 5-String Banjo.

- Informative: Trains the audience the "hear" different styles.
- Entertaining: Uses music, comedy and audience participation.
- Attractive: The backdrop and set create a western stage.
- Self-contained: Battery-powered sound system and portable set.

Frailing & Drop Thumb Styles

A long with the lecture demonstration there is comedy, music, audience singa-longs and the chance for a few lucky people to learn how to play the "bag" right along with Captain Billy. At the end of the show he distributes information to help those interested in learning more about playing the instrument; and he always has time to encourage new pickers.

3 Finger Picking

This 25 minute show can be performed in any shady spot or on a small stage. All Captain Billy needs is a place to park his wagon, and in ten minutes the show is underway. He is **also available as a strolling performer** taking music throughout your event. Whether playing strolling music or presenting his show, Captain Billy will make a memorable addition to your event.

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