



# Jim Schafer

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Acoustic Music from Northeast Ohio

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## BIOGRAPHY

### -- SHORT BLURB --

JIM SCHAFAER is a singer-songwriter-guitarist based in Lakewood, Ohio. A veteran of concerts, clubs, colleges, radio, television and the recording studio, Schafer is celebrating the release of his studio CD, "TELL A FRIEND" and a new season of live performance.

Musically, JIM SCHAFAER mixes active acoustic guitar work with a voice known for its clarity and sensitivity displaying a style which is uniquely his. An accomplished songwriter, Schafer's songs are known for their melodic balance, lyrical insight and frequent humor. A new backup ensemble featuring DON KERR on 2nd guitar and RON THOMAS on electric bass adds instrumental depth and harmony vocals to the mix.

### -- COMPLETE BIO --

JIM SCHAFAER is a singer-songwriter-guitarist based in Lakewood, Ohio. A veteran of concerts, clubs, colleges, radio, television and the recording studio, Schafer is celebrating the long-awaited release of his studio CD, "TELL A FRIEND" and a new season of live performance. Whether a solo act or with his acoustic trio, "JIM SCHAFAER & FRIENDS" (DON KERR on 2nd guitar, PAUL HAMANN on electric bass, DAVID KRAUSS on harmonica), Schafer always delivers an entertaining show.

Musically, JIM SCHAFAER mixes active acoustic guitar work with a voice known for its clarity and sensitivity displaying a style which is uniquely his. An accomplished songwriter, Schafer's songs are known for their melodic balance, lyrical insight and frequent humor. Listeners often comment on how easy it is for them to relate to his songs.

JIM SCHAFAER is a session producer of other artists, too. His producer portfolio includes recent projects by The Smokin' Fez Monkeys, Gary Hall, Bob Sammon, Brand New Hat, Maura Rogers, John Parkinson, Gusti, with projects from past years by Shirley Jay, Alan Leatherwood, Hoffoot Quartet and Steve Cormier.

JIM SCHAFAER has been a hardworking advocate for the northeast Ohio acoustic music scene. In the late 70s he was President of Red Horse Hollow, a non-profit acoustic music arts center and coffeehouse in Lakewood, Ohio. Later, in the late 80s and late 90s, Schafer served two stints on the board of Folknet and produced two of their acclaimed compilation CDs featuring local artists, and reaffirming his commitment to supporting the local acoustic music artform.

Additionally, JIM SCHAFAER is an accomplished creative pro in the areas of video production, audio/video post-production, DVD authoring, multimedia/website authoring and Flash development. His firm, SK Microsystems, Inc. has been on the cutting edge of creative digital media production, consulting and support for over 25 years in the northeast Ohio market.

On a personal level, JIM SCHAFAER likes Mossman guitars, Apple Macintosh computers, Sam Adams Boston Lager beer, fly-fishing, his wife, his dog and SAAB automobiles, but not necessarily in that order of importance.



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