

# **Curriculum Vitae**

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## **Objective:**

Speaker/Musician for Christian Events

## **Partial list of past speaking clients:**

"America's Christian Heritage" (Salem, OR)  
"Be Not Afraid" Conference (Merced, CA)  
Bonneville Power (Federal Agency, Portland, OR, Salt Lake City, UT)  
Legatus Businessmen's Group (Sacramento, CA)  
Professional Businessmen's Breakfast Club (Modesto, CA)  
Sweeping It Under The Drug Rally (Milwaukie, OR)  
Swarthmore College (Pennsylvania)  
Haverford College (Pennsylvania)  
...many churches

## **Music Venues:**

As a past member of top bands I've played at thousands of concerts, services and events over the last 40 years including the following:

## **Christian:**

New Hope Christian Church, Milwaukie, OR  
Aloha Christian Center, Aloha, OR  
Rolling Hills Community Church, Tualatin, OR  
Grace Community Church, Panorama City, CA  
...many other churches

## **Corporate:**

Fred Meyer Corporation (187 Grand openings and corporate events in 7 states for 7 years)  
OfficeMax (Ohio and Chicago, IL)  
Toyota Convention (Maui, Hawaii)  
American Jukebox Convention (Las Vegas, NV)  
American Jukebox Convention (Chicago, IL)  
Kroger's

Haggens  
... many others.

***Concert Venues (partial):***

The Greek Theatre (Los Angeles)  
Cal Jam 2 (largest paid ticket event in history)  
The Universal Amphitheatre  
Nevada showrooms (Sahara, Harrah's, MGM Grand, etc.)  
The Westbury Music Fair (New York)  
Stadiums (U.S. and Canada)  
A number of concerts at "6 Flags Over..."  
Disneyland  
A number of the biggest state fairs (main stage)  
Irvine Meadows  
Fillmore Auditorium  
Winterland (San Francisco)  
Norwegian Cruise Lines

**Books authored:**

*Sweeping It Under The Rug*  
*Why Are We Here?*  
*Why Are We Here Workbook*  
*Addiction Free Forever*  
*Addiction Free Forever Workbook*

**Media:**

***Radio Interviews include:***

Mancow In The Morning, WKQX, Chicago and syndicated  
Nick At Night, WGN, Chicago  
KRLA  
The X-Zone (syndicated)  
The Inside Success Show (internet)  
Talk America Radio Network  
The Good Life Show (Sirius #114)  
Bob Dutko Show, WMUZ, Detroit  
KMED  
The Barry Farber Show, New York (syndicated)  
The Ken Hamblin Show, Denver (syndicated)  
WXCI-FM  
Recovery Talk Network  
KOPB, PBS radio  
Wendy Riddle, "Sound Off", WFNC

Adam Clatsoff, WWNN, Miami  
Joe Galuski, WSYR, Syracuse, NY  
Liz Johnson, WTLT, North Carolina  
Mecca One, KSJS-FM, San Jose  
Dave Kirby, Book Bit, WTBF-FM, Tony Trupiano, Talk Show Host,  
Talk America Radio Network  
Steve Carr, Talk Show Host for "Destiny", WYLL, Chicago

***Television Appearances Include:***

Living the Life (CBN, ABC Family Channel)  
CNN Headline News  
CNN Entertainment Tonight  
Good Morning San Diego  
TBN  
Good Day Oregon  
Good Morning L.A.  
A.M. Northwest  
Good Day Oregon  
American Bandstand  
The Merv Griffin Show  
The Tracey Ullman Show  
ABC special "Cal Jam 2"  
Truth Or Consequences  
Midnight Special  
PBS special: "Let's Rock Tonight"

***Press***

Living Light News (largest Christian newspaper in North America)  
Purpose Magazine  
Christian News Northwest  
Las Vegas Tribune  
San Francisco Chronicle  
Maxim  
San Francisco Examiner  
Seattle Herald  
Bay Area Guardian (1/3 million circulation)  
The Oregonian

***Music History:***

- Celebrity status as a former member of some top name bands including Sly and the Family Stone (the #1 band in the world in 1970 and listed by MSNBC as one of the Top 10 music groups of all time, and specially honored at the 2006 Grammys), The Tokens (famous for the hit "The Lion

Sleeps Tonight"), The Elvin Bishop Group and Rubicon (which Dennis co-founded and which closed the largest paid-ticket event in history). For complete music history see: [www.christianproofs.com/musicbioone.html](http://www.christianproofs.com/musicbioone.html)

- Recording Artist including an extensive history in music, television and film, as well as 4 CD releases of his own, including a 5 star international bestseller.

**Education:**

- Over 210 units of college work from five different colleges in California in various disciplines including degrees and certificates in Electronic Engineering, psychology, music and business

- Logos Bible College

**Interests:**

- Evangelism, with an emphasis on proving the existence of God and that the Bible is all true and bridging the gap between the mainstream culture and the Kingdom of God
- Music
- Writing
- Speaking

**Personal Information:**

Date of Birth: January 17, 1948  
Place of Birth: San Francisco, CA  
Citizenship: USA  
Married to Kathryn Marcellino

**Associations:**

The Design Science Association  
The Discovery Institute

**Some Reviews and Quotes:**

"You speak in a way that people can understand... bridging the gap between religion and everyday life." – Jeff Cavins, Relevant Radio

"Great Job! Great Ministry!" – Peter Herrmann, Professional & Business Breakfast Club, Modesto, CA

"Of all the speeches, I liked Dennis's speech best. I was so touched... it brought me to tears." – Conference participant, August 2003

"Great performance. I'm your biggest fan!" – Rich Peterson, Music Minister, Beaverton, OR

"Dennis is very talented!" –Chris Wojnar, Youth Minister, Portland, OR

"Thanks Dennis for an inspiring and memorable concert. Your music is beautiful." – Dorian Steinbrecher, Portland, Oregon

"You have to listen to Dennis play the saxophone!!" – Joshua Cordova, music minister, Portland, OR

"If there is a better sax player in the world, I haven't heard him."  
– Carter Knox, entertainment director, Fred Meyer Corporation

### **Book Reviews:**

"This is a very important book that is greatly needed at this time. I agree that the Bible should be the ultimate resource for life and living and that the world could greatly benefit from being logically and scientifically shown that this is true."  
Mark Victor Hansen, Co-author, New York Times #1 Best-Selling "Chicken Soup For The Soul" series

A Book for Everyone, October 13, 2004

"Why are We Here?" is a book for everyone. Have you ever wondered what Christians actually believe? Now, you can find out without having to ask anyone. Dennis Marcellino has written a well organized account of why we are here. Marcellino, who has a wide range of education, has written an organized account with out being overly scientific or overly pushy with his personal beliefs. Interestingly enough, it is his musical abilities that you would most likely know him for, having belonged to the Tokens who had the hit, "The Lion Sleeps Tonight." I highly recommend "WHY WE ARE HERE?" to Christians and "Non-Christians" alike will gain information here. Christians will have an organized account of what they believe and why. Others will have an account of what Christians believe and why.

Deven Vasko of Betsie's Literary Page @ <http://betsie.tripod.com/literary/>

"Dennis Marcellino is clearly an authority on the scientific evidence that proves that God exists... a prerequisite to knowing WHY WE ARE HERE! And unlike others who give proofs, which are often difficult-to-grasp, micro-science proofs, his are simple and easy to understand. (Not having this information is like) getting on a horse and riding in all directions. If you want to settle the questions that when answered will bring true peace of mind and abundance, then I highly recommend you tune out the rest of the world and tune into what this fascinating expert has to share. "

- Randy Gilbert, Bestselling author of "Success Bound"

"Why Are We Here? is the scientific answer to an age-old question and readers don't need to be a scientist or philosopher to understand. It was written with the intent of investigating what could be scientifically concluded about theology and its related fields. Why Are We Here? is engaging reading and a highly recommended addition to any philosophy and theological reading list surveying the general questions related to the meaning of life."

- James A. Cox, Internet Bookwatch

"Dennis Marcellino has the answer. Actually, with an education that ranges from science and engineering to theology and psychology, Marcellino has many answers. But in his new book, Why Are We Here?, he chooses to answer the one question that has puzzled intellectuals for centuries."

- Laura Gunderson, Clackamas Review

"You get an awful lot of research, thought, work and wisdom condensed into this one book. It's not a sloppy nor sentimental work but a rigorous and joyous proof... All this for \$14.50...that's hard to beat!"

- Dave Kirby, Book Bit, WTBF-FM, Troy, Alabama

"I highly recommend Why Are We Here? as a must book for anyone's library."

- Tony Trupiano, Talk Show Host, Talk America Radio Network

"Why Are We Here? was a fun book and very easy to read. It was very enjoyable and a great read for me."

- Nancy London, host/producer,  
WXCI-FM, Western Connecticut State University  
(Also her co-host, Steve, said it was "very enlightening".)

"Dennis Marcellino is such a prolific writer and thinker."

- Susan Filkins, Rose Sparrows Literary Agency, New York

"A wonderful book! The author marries his science/engineering background with his cultural/musician experiences. This book is an A to Z about life....a sequential journey starting with the origins issue, all the way through to the end of life and beyond. You should buy 10 copies and give them to your family, friends, people in your church and co-workers!"

- Steve Carr, Talk Show Host for "Destiny", WYLL, Chicago

"This book really does answer the question 'What is the meaning of life?' in a very logically satisfying and inspiring way. And it is also filled with fresh, insightful reflections on all aspects of life that uplift and enlighten the reader. Why Are We Here? gives an excellent overview of life while scientifically determining what is true and what isn't true. He has done a fantastic job in putting together this extremely valuable book. Obviously I highly, highly recommend it!"

- Mark Stefani, Vision Reviews

"In using science to explore what is usually an emotionally charged subject, Marcellino provides a strong fact-based philosophical approach which is compelling."

- Diane Donovan, The Philosopher's Bookshelf, The Midwest Book Review

"Why Are We Here? answered all my questions, and is written in a very informative, "down to earth," manner. It is wonderful! It is one of the most helpful books I've ever read. I Love It!

- Ann, Ohio

"Dennis has a very interesting...a VERY interesting story to tell!"

- Joe Galuski, WSYR, Syracuse, NY

"The greatest book ever! If people would just read it and really look at what it's saying! He explains it scientifically, and there's no way that anybody can dispute it. He's a genius."

- Jerry Johnson, Vancouver, WA

"Why Are We Here? should be rated one of the best in Apologetics. I could hardly put it down."

- Nate Camacho, seminarian at Calvary Chapel School of Ministry

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#### Book Reviews and Quotes:

#### SWEEPING IT UNDER THE DRUG

A book that defines a "drug" as anything that we use to avoid who we REALLY are and how God wants to move us.

"A carefully reasoned argument against drug use that goes further than telling people to "just say no"--it offers real help for people who want to break free of the bondage of drugs. The book gives vivid insight into the realities of the drug culture that most of us never see."

Dr. John MacArthur Jr., author, radio minister, and Pastor, Grace Community Church, Sun Valley, CA

"...frank and friendly...sincere and optimistic...not only concerned with ridding people's lives of drugs, but also with leading them to a higher state of being and greater fulfillment as individuals...a sympathetic voice which will affect readers for the better...This book is personal rather than systematically therapeutic or a 'pop' treatment of a current social concern...touches upon the important factors

of human life---the self, environment, relationships, mates, and others."  
Corinne Perry Buck, The Small Press Book Review ('feature' review)

"I highly recommend the reading of this book as an understanding guide for all of the 12 step recovery programs. It gave me greater insight into my need for continuous spiritual development in order to maintain quality sobriety and peace of mind."

Gloria Montgomery, Chairperson of ALL/ANON GROUP. Founder of RECOVERY SYSTEMS. Founded many alcohol & chemical dependency rehab centers & hospital clinics in U.S. & Canada. CEDARS SINAI Alcoholism Counselor. 29 years clean & sober. Personal counselor to Shelley Winters, highly mentioned in her book.

"This book is absolutely --WONDERFUL! I could not put it down until I had read all of it. It is one of the most fascinating books I have read in years. One thing is certain ... Dennis Marcellino is a very talented and creative writer. SWEEPING IT UNDER THE DRUG possesses huge market potential. It has all the ingredients of a best seller. In my opinion it has success written all over it."

Robert Tyre, Editor, Eclectic Press, Atlanta, Georgia

"Very powerful material. An amazing piece of work by an amazing man."

Scott Fagan, Head of the recovery unit at Brotman Hospital (one of Los Angeles' largest).. Founder and Chairman of BIZRAP (entertainment industry Recovery Assistance Program). UCLA graduate (Drug Rehabilitation Clinic Design), Active leader in AA and CA (Cocaine Anon.)

"...a catalyst to turn around the lives of those currently in the grip of drug addiction. It is the dedication of people like the author that gives all of us hope for the future."

G. Albert Howenstein, Jr., Exec. Dir., Office Of Criminal Justice Planning, CA Governor's office

"I wanted to write and thank you for your book. I work in the prison library so as soon as I finished reading your book I placed it in the library. It has been very popular with the inmates. It is really a good book on substance abuse."  
Benjamin, Seagoville, Texas

"This book not only includes what the 12 step program has to offer, but it takes up where the 12 step program leaves off. It has been a great help to me."

Mike Pinera, Former lead singer, guitarist and writer for "Blues Image", "Iron Butterfly" & "Alice Cooper", also very active in AA and CA.

"I read your book and was very inspired to clean up my act. I'd like to order another copy for myself and one to pass on."

Theresa, Escondido, CA

"Just finished reading Sweeping It Under the Rug and wanted you to know how much it helped me. Thank you. May God bless you greatly."  
Mary A., March 16, 2003

### **Music Reviews include:**

"When it comes to soul, Dennis Marcellino redefines the term. His remarkable tone and feel are full of passion and soulful expression... because he is a soul completely given to Jesus." – Bob Carlisle, Grammy & Dove Award, writer and singer of "Butterfly Kisses"

"The NEW BEGINNING CD puts me into ecstasy. Dennis has been given a beautiful gift from God in his music...  
It is a beautiful ministry." – Lynn Hoffman, Tracy, CA

"You are magical with woodwinds and reeds... in fact, you make Kenny G sound like a novice." – Steve Steinfeld, Beggars Road Music, top record search firm

"If there's a better sax player than Dennis Marcellino in the world, I haven't heard him." – Carter Knox, Fred Meyer Corp. (the #1 retail music outlet on the west coast)

"When it comes to talent, soul and technical virtuosity, in my book Dennis Marcellino has no equal!" – Vision Music Newsletter, April 2000

"The Best version of 'The Lion Sleeps Tonight' I've ever heard!" – Ken O'Brien, DJ, KISN-FM (the #1 radio station in Portland, OR)

"All the remakes on this CD sound better than the originals!" – Bart Brodsky, Publisher of "Open Exchange", Berkeley, California

"Dennis Marcellino has a great voice. I've been singing professionally for over 30 years and can really appreciate it. Ya' don't hear very many good vocalists these days!!" – Rick Reed, Mp3.com

"Dennis Marcellino's music is totally phenomenal! I mean, REALLY... the solo in "Bring it on Home To Me" just completely blew me away! I don't impress easily, and I'm beyond impressed. I'm blown away" – Carl Spagnuolo, Musical Director for Bo Diddley and entertainment attorney, Boca Raton, FL (Amazing Grace is on the New Beginning CD)

"I absolutely love this CD! Dennis is so-o-o talented. My thanks to Dennis for making such beautiful music. He has a beautiful voice, and tremendous instrumental talent. I hope this CD makes it big because this is something too great for the human race to not have!" – Theresa Lina, Concert pianist, Atlanta, Georgia

"This CD is great! I've been playing 'Unchained Melody' over and over. It's head over heels better than the original." – Leslie Nicolaides, Ludwig Publishing, Los Angeles

"I can't remember when I've been so entranced by an album. Marcellino is a master virtuoso. FIVE STARS!" – Wayne Thompson, Jazzscene Magazine

"Brilliant music from a remarkable talent!" – Joe Gett, Editor and Station Director, The Loft (ezine and internet radio station)

"Tenderly is so-o-o soothing. I've been playing it every day." – D'Ann Workman, Portland, OR

"This is a lovely collection of popular standards like 'Misty,' 'Tenderly,' and 'Summertime' rendered by saxophonist Dennis Marcellino and guitarist Mark Stefani. Their combined credentials over the past 30 years are simply too long to list. If you love sweet, classic popular songs, this will fill the bill soooo nicely." – Peggy J. Randle, NAPRA Review

"Genius arrangements! Monster musicians!" – Stevan Pasero, million-CD-selling guitarist

"Dennis Marcellino's music is so beautiful. He makes the sax sound like angels singing." – Kathy Simka, Entertainment Dept., Disneyland, Anaheim, CA

"Dennis Marcellino is a true music veteran. His credits include former membership in The Tokens ('The Lion Sleeps Tonight'), Sly and the Family Stone, The Elvin Bishop Group, The Electric Flag and Rubicon. He is a consummate singer, saxophonist, flutist and songwriter. New Beginning contains several instrumental cuts along with a few vocals; each song is beautifully performed. The first two cuts include exquisite saxophone performances." – Susan Bailey, Grapevine music magazine

"(sigh) Absolutely gorgeous! The first two cuts just absolutely floored me. I thought they were just dazzling. Many cuts on this CD are absolutely beautiful." – Ken O'Brien, DJ, KGON-FM, Portland, Oregon

"I just love this CD!!! It makes me feel like I'm in heaven listening with God's angels." – Valerie Pinera (wife of Mike Pinera who wrote and sang "Ride Captain Ride")

"WOW!!!! I have never heard such an incredible CD!!" – Bill Carty, Alpharetta, GA

"Wow!... I really liked the CD. Very, very nice work, Dennis!" – Sarah Lavey,  
Project Manager, Fred Meyer Stores