

Stephen Fite is a multiple award-winning children's artist who writes educational music solely for the early childhood classroom. He has presented Keynotes and Workshops at educational conventions all over the nation, including SDE's I Teach K, Frog Street Splash, SECA and NAEYC, and is appreciated not only for his musical talent, but also for his easy-to-use ideas. The tunes he writes are activity enhanced with the belief that younger children learn best while taking an active role in the lesson.

The songs he performs during his concerts are used in classrooms throughout the U.S. as a supplement to curriculum and reinforce a multitude of skills laid out in National and State Standards. Here are just a few examples of the songs Stephen will be using: ***Double Up*** teaches/reinforces basic math concepts of doubles and their sums;  $1+1=2$ ,  $2+2=4$ , etc.; ***Superhero Workout*** invites the children to engage in physical activity and large motor skills; ***Water is a Curious Thing*** reinforces/teaches science skills dealing with states of matter; Liquid, Solid and Gas; ***Tooty Ta Dance Mix*** reinforces body awareness; ***Superheroes of Knowledge*** encourages children to think about Knowledge and their brain as their greatest superpower. In addition to those specific skills listed above, the show will promote learning in areas such as Listening Skills, Directional Skills, Call and Response, Phonemic Awareness, Rhythm, Music Appreciation, Following Rules, etc.

The theme of the concert is Superheroes of Knowledge. During the concert, Stephen will play the part of a superhero/teacher who leads the children or "superheroes in training" on a quest to learn and ultimately discover that Knowledge is a true superpower. The children are active participants every minute of the show, either by moving/dancing or through call and response.

Another advantage of the concert is the connection children are able to make with the writer or singer of the songs they use in their own classroom environment. We encourage the teachers to have the kids write letters or draw pictures (or both) after the show and send them to Stephen. He will personally respond to any group of letters/pictures he receives. We also offer online activity sheets (found on our website Concert page at [melodyhousemusic.com](http://melodyhousemusic.com)) that teachers may duplicate for their children. The sheets are fun, as well as, educational and tie in with the theme of the concert and serve to build excitement among the children leading up to the field trip. We also have Correlations to both Common Core and Texas State Standards available for download on the Concert page of our website.

I hope these brief explanations help to better describe the event. If you still have more questions, please feel free to call either Stephen, or myself.

Sincerely,

Lisa Johnson  
Concerts & National Events Coordinator