



“Michael is a highly respected musician and record producer who brings his magic to any setting, whether it be the stage with his guitar brilliance and voice or in his Soundplant studio crafting magic moments for artists.”

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ABOUT

MICHAEL CRISTIANO

Michael Cristiano was born in Melbourne, Australia. Music was always a big part of his family life, with his father often playing and singing famous operas and folk songs from Southern Italy. Cristiano started classical guitar lessons at six and quickly became skilled at the instrument. He continued to study music, transitioning to rock, fusion, and jazz under his teacher, Ray Smith. In addition to guitar, he also plays piano, drums, and various string instruments.

By age fourteen, Cristiano was already performing with different bands and fronting his own groups. His reputation as a talented guitarist and vocalist grew, leading to recording sessions and numerous engagements with well-known Australian and international acts. He even served as a musical director for various artists and eventually became the musical director for The Seekers.

In the mid-90s, he teamed up with country music star Donna Fisk to form Fisk & Cristiano, releasing successful albums and earning industry awards. In 1998, their song 'Lara' became a chart-topping hit, and they performed to a massive audience at Melbourne's MCG Stadium.

Cristiano is a renowned performer and a highly respected record producer. His name is associated with multi-platinum-selling albums by artists such as The Seekers, Judith Durham, Silverchair, Andre Rieu, and Gene Pitney amongst many other big names. In 2019, he collaborated with The Seekers on an album called "Back To Our Roots", followed by the release of "Forever Grateful" in 2020, a song dedicated to healthcare workers during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Renowned for his string of ARIA Number One albums, this influential musician is about to release a new solo album, solidifying his position as one of the most vibrant and talented stars in the Australian music industry. In addition to his projects, he generously dedicates his time and unparalleled skills to nurturing emerging artists and collaborating with established veterans, leaving an indelible mark on the music scene.

With numerous ARIA Number One albums to his credit and a new solo album about to be released, Michael Cristiano continues to shine in the Australian music industry. He dedicates his time and expertise to his projects and supporting emerging artists and established veterans.