

DINO O'DELL

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PROFILE:

Whether he's counting monsters, fixing spaceships or swimming in peanut butter, Dino's interactive songs and tall tales engage curiosity, inspire laughter and stir the imagination.

Before 2003, Dino was an elementary music and drama teacher by day and a folk musician by night. Now, with over a decade of experience as a family entertainer, his live shows and studio recordings reflect his time as both an educator and a performer; Dino is a master at tricking kids into learning.

"We learn best when we are engaged and we are engaged best when the medium is interactive." says Dino. And whether it's a counting song, fill-in-the-blank lyric writing or a sing-a-long, stories and music tap into our innate desire to communicate and connect.

SELECT EXPERIENCE:

Kansas City Young Audiences, Kansas City, Missouri,

Teaching Artist - Preschool - 5th Grade,

2008-Present

Christopher Peacock, Education Director (816) 531-4022

Springboard to Learning, Saint Louis, Missouri,

Teaching Artist, Preschool-5th Grade,

2010-Present

Steve Sandbothe, Senior Program Director (314) 768-9670

Arts for Learning Virginia, Norfolk, Virginia

Teaching Artist, Preschool-5th Grade,

2018-Present

Anna Heywood Green, Chief Operations Officer (757) 466-7555

AWARDS AND KEYNOTES:

2017 Keynote for the Child Care Providers Coalition of Kansas

2015 Story Monster Approved

2014 Lighton Prize for Teaching Artist Excellence

**2012 Keynote for the Young Years conference sponsored by Missouri Association
for the Education of Young Children**

2011 Parent's Choice award

2009 Pitch Best of Kansas City Award: Best Children's Music

2006 National Parenting Publications Award

2002 Finalist in the Telluride Troubadour Songwriting Contest

**2003 Co-Winner of the Gold World Medal from the New York Association in
Radio Programming**

Brookside Day School, Kansas City, Missouri
Elementary Music and Drama Teacher, K-6th Grade
1997-2001
Current leadership unknown

Mother's Place Quality Daycare, Seattle Washington
Preschool Teacher, Ages 4 and 5 years
1995-1997
This institution shuttered over the summer after 40 years in business.

EDUCATION:

University of California at Santa Cruz, Bachelor of Arts in Music, 1991