



**“Your music made me feel good the moment I heard it—
you have a gift of the heart.”**

- Carlos Santana

Michael Kollwitz creates engaging programs that blend live music, storytelling, and real-life insight—designed specifically for country clubs, arts organizations, and lifelong learning audiences.

His presentations are part concert, part conversation, and entirely memorable. Audiences are drawn in by the unique sound of the Chapman Stick®, then quickly connect through humor, storytelling, and real-world experiences. A Billboard-charting artist and published author, Michael offers something refreshingly different—programs that are both entertaining and meaningful.

With two decades in corporate sales and more than twenty years as an award-winning musician, Michael brings a rare combination of professionalism, warmth, and creative perspective. His journey—built on saying “yes” to unexpected opportunities—resonates with audiences who value lifelong learning, reinvention, and curiosity.

Each program weaves together beautiful instrumental music, engaging stories, and insights about creativity, resilience, and making the most of every stage of life. The experience is relaxed, interactive, and designed to connect—never preachy, always enjoyable.

Audiences leave not only entertained, but uplifted—often laughing, sometimes reflective, and always with a renewed appreciation for creativity, persistence, and the unexpected turns that make life interesting.

Michael doesn’t just talk about these ideas—he brings them to life, one unforgettable note at a time.

Program Options

1) Music, Creativity & a Life Less Ordinary

A live musical journey combined with stories about creativity, reinvention, and saying yes to unexpected opportunities.

2) Stick With It: Stories in Sound

A unique blend of live performance and storytelling about persistence, humor, and building a meaningful life.

3) The Chapman Stick Experience

An entertaining and educational look at one of the most unique instruments ever created—combined with live music.

Perfect For:

- Country Clubs
- Private & HOA Communities
- Arts & Cultural Series
- Lifelong Learning Programs
- Private Member Events
- Speaker Series & Lecture Programs
- Seasonal Resident Events
- Special Interest Groups & Clubs
- Library & Community Events
- Retreats, Workshops & Enrichment Programs





What clients say about Michael's programs and performances:

"Perhaps the greatest virtuoso of this thoroughly modern instrument."

-Lifestyles of Sedona magazine

"I wholeheartedly recommend Michael- he's dedicated to his craft, of excellent character, and can **transfix an audience.**"

-Emmett Chapman, Inventor of The Chapman Stick

"Michael is consistently dependable, responsible, and a pleasure to work with- **ethical beyond reproach.**"

-Wayne Hikiji, President, Envisions Productions, Maui, HI

"The Chapman Stick is truly out-of-the-ordinary- and **a real crowd pleaser.**"

-Jasmine Waits, Special Events, City of Palm Springs

"His professionalism and teamwork are noteworthy- he's a **fantastic addition to any event.**"

-Dianne Funk, Producer, Indian Wells Arts Festival

"Michael is a great communicator and highly dependable- **the Koch brothers regularly request him for their events.**"

-Tim McFall, President, Eventertainment, Palm Springs

"Michael is one of the finest Chapman Stick players in the world- **professional, reliable, and memorable.** If your event calls for something different, he's an excellent choice."

- Josh DeSilva, DeSilva Meeting Consultants, Maui, HI

Additional custom program formats available, including private concerts, special events, and select emcee engagements

