

## Tim Sample

### BAND STORY

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Tim Sample is widely acknowledged to be New England's premier native humorist. Novelist **Stephen King** has likened Sample's work to that of Mark Twain, and **Charles Kuralt** called him "Maine's humorist laureate." Tim's books, albums, and videos (including four albums and a video for the **Bert and I** company) have sold well over a million copies. For eleven years he was a correspondent for CBS News and a regular essayist on the Emmy award winning television show **CBS News Sunday Morning**, hosted by veteran newsman **Charles Osgood**.

Tim was born and raised in Maine and has never lived (or for that matter wanted to live) anywhere other than the Pine Tree State. Tim's first album of downeast humor was recorded in 1979 and produced by **Noel Paul Stookey**, "Paul" of **Peter, Paul, and Mary** with liner notes by the late humorist **Marshall Dodge**, who along with his partner **Rev. Robert Bryan**, created the world-famous Bert and I recordings back in the 1950s. After Dodge's death in 1982, Tim recorded four albums and a video for the Bert and I company. Sample and Bryan have collaborated on a number of projects, including several TV specials, the popular recording **How to Talk Yankee**, and the TV specials **Out of Season** and **Maine Humor Behind the Barn**.

Tim has also written and/or illustrated over a dozen books, including regional bestsellers **Saturday Night at Moody's Diner** and his most recent **Maine Curiosities second edition**, co-authored by **Stephen Bither**, published in 2006 by The Globe Pequot Press. Tim's national TV appearances include **The Today Show** and **Good Morning America**, and he has narrated award-winning films and books on tape, including **Robert McCloskey's** children's classic **Bert Dow Deep Water Man** and Stephen King's **The Sun Dog**.

Over the years, Tim has performed thousands of shows in venues as diverse as the Los Angeles Convention Center, the Mall of America, the New York Yacht Club and the Caribou Performing Arts Center.



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### STATS

Visits	Plays
932	21
Streams	Downloads
21	0

### Featured Songs

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Comedy

and the Caribou Performing Arts Center.  
These days, he averages 50 -70 concert and  
after-dinner appearances per year. More  
information on Tim may be found at his  
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