

Reviews and Live Music

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Verified Review
Annie N. ... C. D. • January 31, 2023

Amazing Entertainer

It was our honor to host, "Marv Machura" at our event here at "The View". Marv, was amazing, great stories, great songs, which almost everyone could sing along to. We truly enjoyed him. All our residents want him back at other events. So, we will be booking him again and bringing him back for other events that we'll be having in the future. Great guy.

Hired as:

Acoustic Band, Singing Guitarist



Kirsten W. • August 25, 2020

Great Entertainer!

It was an absolute pleasure having Marv out this summer for our Music on the Patio series at Predator Ridge.



Lindsay Wong

Love Marv

Love Marv, great entertainer and so friendly to deal with. He's personable yet professional and his music repertoire is suitable for all ages and venues.



Jennifer Knox

All Around Wonderful Performer

Marv entertains for us a local Seniors residence and he is loved by all, including the staff. He's engaging and personable with his audience. He chats and tells stories the audience love. We are sure to book him for the next gig before he leaves. Marv has a big depth of knowledge of music history and that helps connect us with a deeper meaning, especially the residents who love to reminisce. We all absolutely loved his 11 Days of Christmas Ukrainian Style recently! What a hoot!

Date of experience: November 23, 2023



Ingrid Baron Nov 24, 2023

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I have been listening to Marv's music for many years. Both as a busker and a paid entertainer. His music is easy listening which I really like.

Date of experience: November 24, 2023

Testimonials/Press

"Machura is making his mark." – Vernon Morningstar

"We received great feedback about your performance and really enjoyed having you here. Hope to have you back again for next year's patio series. Thanks again!" — Torrie Silverthorn, Marketing Specialist, Predator Ridge



"Machura is a winning singer and talented guitar player." – Penguin Eggs Magazine

After looking at some of his videos through his website, we hired Marv to play at a private afternoon party in Kelowna and everyone loved him and especially loved his music! He was very engaging with the guests and played lots of songs that we all knew.

We'd hire him again whenever we have a party, just hope he doesn't get too popular! – Joe and Patricia



"Marv Machura has played a weekly music gig at the Den at Silverstar Mountain for the 2016/2017 season. Marv is highly reliable and it has been fun to have him on board and playing at the Den. He interacts with the crowd and often gets them creating their own dance floor whilst playing requests. I regularly receive positive feedback from customers complementing his talent. Thanks for a great season Marv, I look forward to inviting you back to the Den next year. – Chris Zahara, Manager, Silverstar Resort

"Imagine John Denver with an electric guitar—a crowd favourite." – Edmonton Full Moon Folk Club

"Machura brings a wealth of experience to the Okanagan where he now performs all over the Okanagan." – *The Daily Courier*, Kelowna.

"Thank you so much for entertaining us! We are looking forward to your return." – Echo Vogt, Guest Services Manager, Gateway Casinos, Kamloops

"Edmonton's hottest folk-rocker; don't miss this show!" – The Sound of Edmonton 97.5 FM

"Mary Machura creates pure Canadiana, spinning tales that span

the breadth of this land."- John Rutherford, Alberta Sessions

"Thank you for making our celebration extra special; everyone loved you, especially us. You added the love at the "love shack." Looking forward to having you back again." — Dinah Canart

"Johnny Horton bold, Marv Machura's Alberta voice reminds me both of Ian Tyson and the singers from 1960s Hawaiian films. I like Machura's direct style. Yeah!" — Fish Griwkowsky, See Weekly

"Marv Machura shows influences of Ian Tyson, Gordon Lightfoot, Neil Young, and John Denver but casts himself against type, opting for electric guitars and power chords. The combination works surprisingly well. Machura also on guitar, sounds a lot bigger than just a trio." — Ron Chambers, *Legacy Magazine*

"Big and heavy '70s-style rock. There's a folk-inspired vibe that carries through as Machura sings original songs that are right out of the tradition of narrative songwriting, telling stories of blizzards, badlands and oil patches. He can turn it up loud, too, as he does for a crushing take on the traditional "Buffalo Skinner."- Eden Munro *Vue Weekly*

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"Marv is the essential Alberta Roots musician. His songs cover the gamut of experience from Cowboy love songs, to First-nation legends, to hockey stories. He is a prolific songwriter, telling great stories within and between his songs. He leads a great band that have the chops in spades... and you'll love his hair. —Blue Chair Café

"This folk rocker insists on authenticity and is what Machura has strived for throughout his career. -Carson Mills, *Stony Plain Reporter*

"One-of-a-kind energetic, artistic, and engaging performance this past Saturday at Brittany's Lounge; it re-awakened my sense of live music and the community it creates—and you can dance to it! Kudos to Marv and his band" – *Edmonton Examiner*