

## Who is Bob Barner?

Bob Barner has been drawing since he was three years old. He graduated from the Columbus College of Art and Design in Columbus, Ohio where he first became interested in children's books. After college, Barner met Al Capp, creator of the famous Li'l Abner comic strip. After Capp had seen a copy of Barner's first book for children, The Elephant's Visit, he was hired on the spot. Since that first job, he has written and illustrated over 30 titles, some of which have been translated into Korean, Spanish, and French, and also set to music and made into short films. The Society of Illustrators has chosen the illustrations from his books for inclusion in their annual juried Original Art Show.

When he is not writing, drawing, or playing one of his guitars, Barner enjoys speaking to young readers at schools and libraries around the world.



*From dinosaurs, elephants, dogs and fish to Li'l Abner and Daisy Mae, Bob Barner has spent the last 20 years drawing characters that make people smile.*

—The Boston Globe

### Books written and illustrated by Bob Barner

- Dem Bones • Chronicle Books
- Bugs! Bugs! Bugs! • Chronicle Books
- Dinosaur Bones • Chronicle Books
- Stars! Stars! Star! • Chronicle Books
- To Everything • Chronicle Books
- Penguins, Penguins, Everywhere! • Chronicle Books
- Bug Safari • Holiday House
- Fish Wish • Holiday House

### Books illustrated by Bob Barner

- Benny's Pennies • Bantam Doubleday Dell
- Where Crocodiles Have Wings • Holiday House
- Big is Big and Little, Little • Holiday House
- Sing My Song • Tricycle Press
- Wiggle, Waggle, Loop-de-Loo! Kindermusik International, Inc.
- Cock-a-Doodle-Blue! Kindermusik International, Inc.



### Professional Books

- Bob Barner and You • Libraries Unlimited

### Award winning videos by Weston Woods

- Dem Bones • Bugs! Bugs! Bugs!
- Stars! Stars! Stars! • Dinosaur Bones

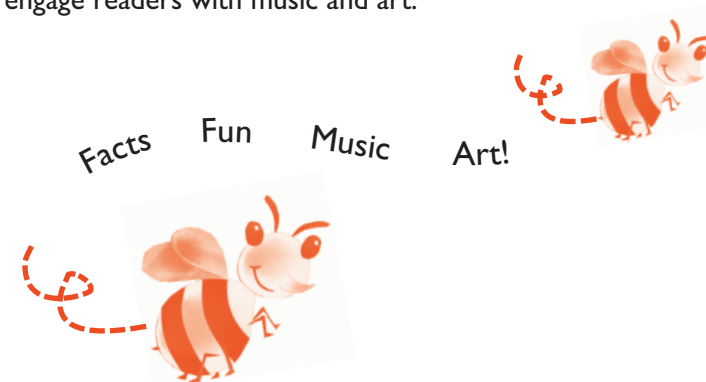


## What Does He Do?

At your conference, in your library or classroom, Bob Barner opens up the world of books and reading.

In his energetic music and art-filled presentations he can show and talk about:

- ❖ Where the ideas for drawings and stories come from and how an idea file works in an artist's creative process.
- ❖ How drawings and characters are made. Bob will use markers in your class but he has used watercolor, colored pencils, torn paper, a computer and even finger-prints to make the art in his books!
- ❖ The tools and workplace of an artist. How books are made, from the idea in someone's head, to an illustration, to a "dummy," and into print in bound pages.
- ❖ Bob will also read from his books, work with students on their own drawings, and even help them put together their own books. He has created special programs for bookshops, parent-teacher associations, schools, libraries, and conferences throughout the world.
- ❖ At his teacher workshops, Bob will share some of the fun techniques he uses in his presentations that help engage readers with music and art.



*I cannot say enough about Bob Barner's presentations. Bob's unique combination of writing and drawing skills leave students inspired and amazed. Whether Bob is reading one of his stories, drawing characters or playing the guitar along to "Dem Bones", it is awe inspiring.*

*When the music starts and he begins bringing his characters to life, the children's excitement is ecstatic.*

— Suzanne Allen  
Federal Programs Coordinator  
Hoxie, Arkansas





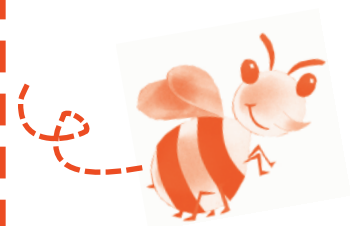
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JYbooks invited the well known story book author Bob Barner and his wife Cathie in celebration of the JYbooks bookstore's grand opening. He conducted a seminar and performance for the teachers and moms. He also demonstrated some of his art work. He introduced his cloth book about dinosaurs and taught a song of Dem Bones to the audience. He also did a performance for children in our new bookstore. The audience took pictures and the children were happy to spend time with Bob Barner at JY-books. Having time with the author influences children in Korea to learn English through story books in many ways. JYbooks truly appreciates Mr. Bob Barner and thanks him for his special event at JYbooks.

Un Kyung Kim,  
Manager, JYbooks  
Seoul, Korea

Barner knows what he is doing in  
Penguins, Penguins, Everywhere! Both  
with words and humorous cut-out illus-  
trations. His fans will cheer.

Bob Hale, Books and Bob Hale

## Bob Barner shows kids how drawings —and whole books— come to life.

For years, Bob Barner's drawings and non-fiction stories have filled children's heads with a sense of fun and a wealth of facts — all about the planets, that kids have more bones than adults, and the size of a dinosaur's brain!

And as much as he likes to write and draw books for children, he likes to show kids how he does it.

Bob has visited schools and libraries around the world talking about how pictures and stories come together in books and what kind of work and play goes into making one. This year you can bring him to your own classroom or library to do the same thing for your kids.

Bob has written and drawn more than thirty books for children. He has created books and illustrations for many trade and educational publishers across the country.

*"Bob Barner makes non-fiction writing come to life during his entertaining presentations. He plays the guitar and draws to music, keeping young audiences rapt. Classrooms and hallways are now decorated with books and collages made by students imitating Barner's vibrantly colored work."*

*Our students are asking 'When will Mr. Barner come back?'"*

—Monika Schröder, Elementary School Librarian  
American Embassy School, New Delhi, India

