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NEWS from ASK, A Nationwide Alliance of Children's Artists and  
Authors Speaking Out for Gun Safety

**Artists for Safe Kids Performed at Sunday's Concerts Across America**



Dozens of [Artists for Safe Kids](#) (ASK) performed at [Concert Across America](#) To End Gun Violence on Sunday September 25th. Bill Harley, Jim Cosgrove and Two of a Kind are just three examples of those who created one of more than 350 events on Sunday. Links with photos run below:

- [Rhode Island Coalition against Gun Violence](#) featuring Bill Harley
- [Kansas City Concert Across America](#) featuring Jim (Mr. Stinky Feet) Cosgrove
- [Philadelphia Children's Concert to End Gun Violence](#), featuring Two of A Kind, Jay Sand, David C. Perry and more
- [Fairfax County \(VA\) Concert Across America](#) featuring Cathy & Marcy

[Rolling Stone](#) featured the NYC Concert Across America event with Eddie Vedder, Jackson Browne and Rosanne Cash, and the [Los Angeles Daily News](#) spoke with ASK founder Bill Harley about the Southern California event.

ASK joins with a growing chorus of voices calling for comprehensive universal background checks for gun purchasers, better screening for mental health problems, better gun safety regulations for gun owners to keep children safe from accidental firings, and a limit on semi-automatic weapons



and large magazines.

Donna Dees, founder and organizer of the Million Mom March, Mother's Day 2000 – still the largest protest against gun violence in U.S. history – is an early supporter. She says, "I'm impressed with the variety and the quality of the artists involved in ASK. This new organization will spark awareness and action toward a saner gun policy. It's so important for artists to take a stand on this issue, and to engage their fans in this ongoing effort."

[ASK supporters](#) include an array of visual, literary and performing artists, including Peter Yarrow and Noel Paul Stookey (Peter Paul and Mary), and GRAMMY winners Cathy & Marcy, Dan Zanes and The Okee Dokee Brothers, plus authors Norton Juster (Phantom Tollbooth), Lemony Snicket, Mo Willems, Sharon Creech and Jane Yolen. For more information, contact [info@artistsforsafekids.org](mailto:info@artistsforsafekids.org).

