

Bard of the South

Rickey Pittman – Author, Folksinger, Songwriter and Storyteller

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Rickey E. Pittman, the Bard of the South, is a storyteller, author, and folksinger. He was the Grand Prize Winner of the 1998 Ernest Hemingway Short Story Competition. Originally from Dallas Pittman presents his stories, music and historical programs at schools, libraries, organizations, museums, historical reenactments, restaurants, banquets, and Celtic festivals throughout the South. An adjunct college English instructor with an M.A. from Abilene Christian University, he has fifteen published books, five music CDs and several single releases.

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Some Festivals, Conferences, Workshops and Other Events Featuring Pittman as Music Performer, Storyteller, or Speaker:

- St. Patrick's Day Parade, Hot Springs, AR
- French Quarter Festival, New Orleans
- Northeast Louisiana Celtic Fest, Monroe LA Mississippi Celtic Fest, Jackson MS
- Salado Scottish Festival, Salado TX
- Arlington Scottish Festival, Arlington TX
- Highland Games, Jackson, LA
- North Texas Irish Festival, Dallas
- Cowtown Celtic Festival, Fort Worth (2011)
- Bedford Texas Celtic Festival
- Sam Houston Folklife Festival, Huntsville TX
- Houston Scottish Festival
- Arkansas Scottish Festival, Batesville AR
- Patrick Cleburne Festival, Cleburne TX.
- St. Patrick Festival, Dublin TX
- St. Patrick Festival, Sidney, AR
- Corney Creek Festival, Bernice LA
- Tartan Festival, Minden, LA
- St. Andrews Banquets & Robert Burns Suppers
- Museum & Library Presentations
- Florida, Arkansas & Louisiana Reading Associations
- Louisiana Library Association
- Red Brick Tavern, Conroe TX
- Texas Education Service Centers (Media & Storytelling and music), Gladys Porter Zoo, Brownsville, TX
- Brown Bag Concert in the Park, Monroe LA
- Opened for Bobby Bridger's Lakota, April 2013
- AGEXPO, West Monroe LA
- Farmers Markets churches & Veterans Organizations
- Presenter at HESTEC Community Day Literacy Event. (2013) South Texas Literacy Coalition
- American Indian Arts Celebration, Clewiston FL
- Okeechobee Battlefield Historical Event

BOOKS BY RICKEY PITTMAN

Rio Grande Valley ABC

Louisiana Animals ABC

**Cajun ABC*

**Louisiana Night Before Christmas*

**The Scottish Alphabet*

**The Irish Alphabet*

**Ariel: Therapy Dog of the Rio Grande Valley*

**Jim Limber Davis: A Black Orphan in the Confederate White House.*
Accelerated Reader

**Stonewall Jackson's Black Sunday School.* Accelerated Reader & Award from
the Colonial Dames of America

**Stories of the Confederate South Under a Comanche Moon & Other Stories*

**The Confederate Alphabet *Red River Fever*

**Stories of the Confederate South*

**Under the Witch's Mark*

**Book of Facts About the Scots Irish, & Other Celts*

**Blood Diamonds of the Lost Bazaar*

*Several of the above books were featured at the Louisiana Book Festival in
Baton Rouge!

SELECTED READER ENDORSEMENTS:

From his adult novels, *Red River Fever*, *Under the Witch's Mark*, and *Blood Diamonds of the Lost Bazaar*, to his works for younger readers such as *Cajun ABC*, *Rio Grande Valley ABC*, *Louisiana Night Before Christmas*, and *Louisiana Animals ABC*, and others, Rickey Pittman continues to strengthen his title "Bard of the South." And to top that off, he is a topnotch editor.—J. W. Dunn, Author of *October Rain* and *Remembrance: A Caldwell Parish Memoir*.

For Blood Diamonds of the Lost Bazaar

This page-turner hooked me from the start and kept me engaged until the end. The information about the African diamond trade and smuggling enriched the storyline and plot. The characters have depth and seemed real. Author Rickey Pittman appears to know a lot about a lot of stuff—music, martial arts, the South—and weaves it into a well-told story.—Lon, Ozark Creative Writers

Cajun ABC

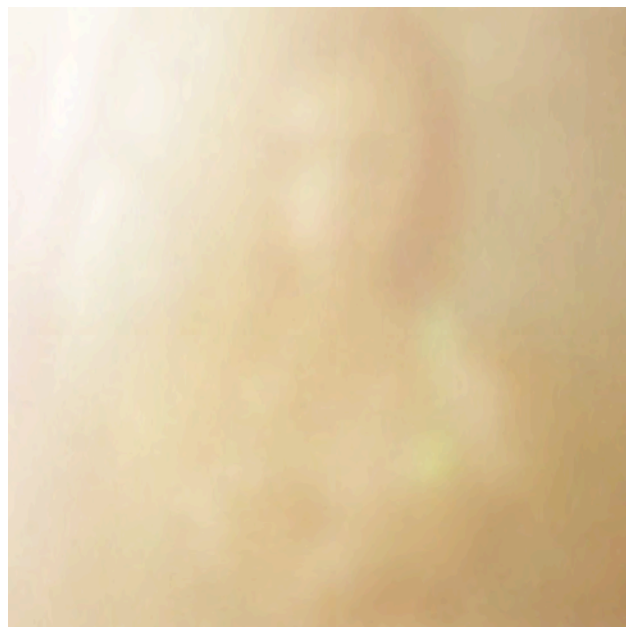
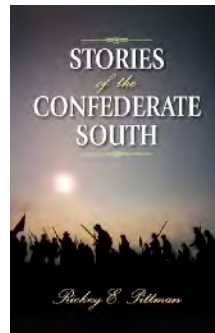
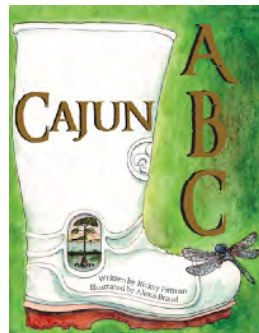
Author Rickey Pittman and illustrator Alexis Braud have a winner on their hands with a book that is sure to become a Louisiana classic.—Donna Price *American Press, author of A Travel Guide to Cajun Country* —Chère Coen, BookNews, USA Network

Stories of the Confederate South

With any collection of events some read better than others and, of course, I had my favorite ones. I truly believe that these could stand up against Conan Doyle in holding you there until the end comes. —Thomas T., Monroe LA

Under the Witch's Mark

Under the Witch's Mark is full of Celtic mythology and British history mixed with a phantasmagorical trip back to the 70s. A smart read, the story is full of references to fine literature and poetry, not to mention its very own soundtrack of vintage rock! You can make an awesome playlist from all the songs mentioned in the book and really get into the groove of it. It's a magical love story with a hint of mystery that will leave you breathless and wanting more.—Christine R. North Texas Irish Festival



MUSIC: Rickey Pittman's music is available on iTunes, YouTube, Apple Music, Amazon, Spotify and other streaming services.



Touched by Ghosts is the most recent album by Rickey Pittman, Bard of the South. The thirteen song compilation focuses on twelve of Pittman's self-penned original folk songs, taking you to Scotland, the swamps of Louisiana, and rural East Texas.

Other albums available for digital downloads online include *Songs of the Seminole War*, *The Minstrel Boy*, *A Lover's Ghost*, and *Bard of the South*.

Rickey Pittman is a true American Original. His captivating songs and stories are honest full of real emotion and history, and downright entertaining!—Gordon McLeod, producer, Celtic Musician with Beyond the Pale,

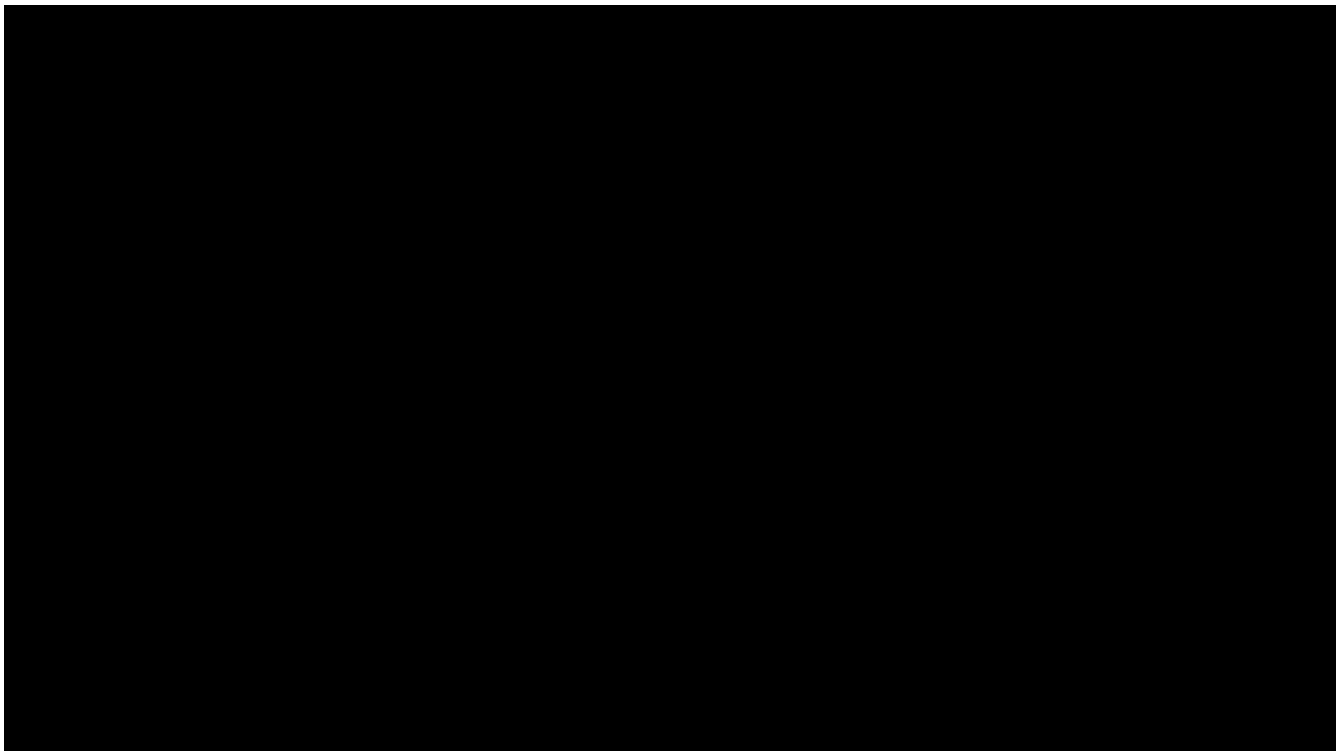
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