

PAUL WOIDA - BIO

Paul Woida is a contemporary Christian singer/songwriter/master looper currently based in Edmonton, Alberta, Canada. A looper records sounds in real time and plays back melodies and rhythms using instruments and their voice. Paul turns heads everywhere he goes with his catchy hooks, emotive vocals, unique live show and incredible musicianship.

Paul graduated from MacEwan University with diplomas in both Composition and Drum Set Performance thus has the unique ability to combine complex rhythms with melody and harmony resulting in a sound close to that of a full band.

Paul's musical aesthetic is a blend of Sia's emotive vocal delivery, her inherent musical sensibilities, and often compared to Ed Sheeran's accessibility.

Paul is currently writing and developing with a team in Nashville consisting of Nick Schwarz (*Skillet, Danny Gokey, I AM THEY*), Jeff Cates (*Backstreet Boys, Chris Tomlin*), Jeff Pardo (Grammy nominated), Ethan Hulse (*Tauren Wells, Zach Williams*) and Tony Wood (5X Dove award winner).

Paul's career highlights, thus far, include selling out Edmonton's Winspear (2019), winning Hot 107's \$10,000 dollar Hot Factor competition, placing first in the Edmonton Landmark Showcase competition, being chosen to open for *Casting Crowns* at the 2016 Break Forth conference and winning the 2016 Airmiles 'Detour Big Break' Competition which brought him to Port Hawkesbury NS to open for *Meghan Trainor*.

Besides playing weddings, corporate functions and clubs all over North America, Paul has played many fundraisers for the likes of hockey great, Glen Sather, and *Dragons' Den* star, Brett Wilson. He's also worked with the *E Power Anti-Bullying Campaign* which tours schools across Canada as well as with the *Robb Nash Project* super shows and school tours. To share his passion for people, Paul has participated in various youth empowerment benefit concerts and spent time in China in November 2017 with *We Stand*, a youth leadership summit. Lastly, Paul is part of the Edmonton United Way Campaign having co-written and participated in their popular 2016 campaign video.

Paul's passion is music and that passion is fueled by his love for people. Paul wants to inspire and be a positive role model for people of all ages. His desire is to help them see that dreams are achievable if you work hard and keep striving!