

BOBBY MCFERRIN – A VERSATILE¹ MUSICIAN



Bobby McFerrin is an American jazz musician, singer and conductor². His father was³ an opera singer.

Bobby McFerrin is 68 years old now. He is the author of the song *Don't Worry, Be Happy* from 1988. He has ten **Grammy Awards**.

In 2004:

Bobby McFerrin conducts⁴ the **Vienna Philharmonic orchestra** during⁵ a concert at Schönbrunn Castle. 90,000 people attend⁶ the concert. It is a celebration⁷ of the new countries in the **European Union**. McFerrin conducts also Smetana's *Vltava* at this concert.

In 2010:

Bobby McFerrin attends the **World Science festival** in New York and talks about how music can heal⁸ the brain⁹. When he sings, he can create⁹ **polyphonic effects** – he can sing the **main melody** and **at the same time** create many other sounds.

On the 30th of April, 2019, Bobby McFerrin **is going to** have a concert in Prague in Forum Karlín.

Vocabulary:¹všestranný|²dirigent|³byl|⁴dirigovat|⁵během|⁶zúčastnit(se)
|⁷oslava|⁸uzdravit|⁹mozek|¹⁰vytvářet

Language notes: Grammy Award=hudební cena Grammy|Vienna Philharmonic orchestra=orchestr vídeňské filharmonie|European Union=Evropská unie|World Science festival=světový festival vědy|polyphonic effect=polyfonní efekt (mnoho zvuků najednou)|main melody=ústřední melodie|at the same time=současně|is going to=chystá se (bude)

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