



# Jessica Harper

BIOGRAPHY

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Jessica Harper wears many hats. As an actress she co-starred in ***Stardust*** ***Memories*** with Woody Allen, ***Pennies From Heaven*** with Steve Martin, ***My Favorite Year*** with Peter O'Toole, ***Minority Report*** with Tom Cruise and cult favorites ***Phantom of the Paradise*** and ***Suspiria***. Harper won a Cable Ace Award for best actress in ***It's Garry Shandling's Show***, and her numerous other television appearances include a guest shot on ***Late Night With David Letterman***. Her stage experience ranges from Hair on Broadway to co-starring with Al Pacino in regional theatre.

After she became a mom in 1989, Jessica wrote and produced seven CDs of music for children, which have earned multiple awards and rave reviews from critics in Entertainment Weekly, Parenting, Family Fun, Billboard and others. TV Guide's Parent's Guide stated that "...her lyrics...rank with the best of contemporary children's poetry." Of Harper's 2002 release, ***Inside Out***, Lynne Heffley of the LA Times said, "Children's music doesn't get better than this." People Magazine did a special feature on Harper, her music, and her focus on family.

Not busy enough, Harper also penned eleven children's books in the last decade, including the best-selling Nora's Room. Her latest book is for adults, however. New in January 2011 from Workman Publishing, ***The Crabby Cook Cookbook*** is a collection of humor and recipes for home cooks who do not always experience the joy of cooking. Ruth Reichl says, "This book is too much fun! You stand in the kitchen laughing when you should be cooking!"

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