



Wednesday's Child
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Meet Julian, a 17 year old in foster care and our "guitar hero". His real courage comes from stepping forward to find a permanent and loving home for himself. We met Julian at the Village Recorder Studio where rock legends record at the invitation of Nicole Dionne, Executive producer of Primal Scream Music.

What better person to give a guitar lesson than guitarist, Joel Shearer of the Alanis Morissette Band. Joel has also played with bands such as Damien Rice, Goo Goo Dolls, P.O.D., Dido, Carly Simon, Our Lady Peace, Gavin Rossdale and Annie Lennox. If you're going to have a lesson, you'll need a guitar. Not just any guitar, Julian was given his own Fender electric guitar and amp for this jam session.



Julian has a style all his own and a cool and laid back vibe. Although Julian likes music, being a rocker is not what he wants to do with his life. In addition to his cool vibe, we noticed a very thoughtful and creative spirit. Julian thought back to people who touched his life in some way such as a caregiver he once had who was a chef so he's considering following in his foot steps - maybe becoming the executive chef for a major sporting venue like the arena club at the Staples Center in Los Angeles.



Julian also has aspirations to join the Navy for some real life experience and training. After this special day in a recording studio, being a recording artist may not be on the top of his list but he's definitely open to other creative aspects of the music industry like sound engineering, mixing, doing cover art or a style consultant for musicians.



As we walked through the halls of the studio with him in the foot steps of musical greats, Julian reminds us that the foot steps he wants to walk in are those of a family he can call his own. Julian tells us that he wants a “real” family one to provide him with support and direction in life (so that he can create, grow and leave behind his own legacy) for others.



Our idea of a number one hit is to find an adoptive family for this young man. A family that understands that children, no matter what age, deserve a permanent family connection. Julian's not ready to sign a recording contract just yet, but he's ready to sign one with a permanent and loving family. If you have a heart for older children, please give us a call.



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