

Endorsements

“Well **done!** A fascinating story of achievement against all odds!”

—**Walter Pitman**, O.C. *Former Executive Director of the Ontario Arts Council, and Author*

“Ian’s passion for the arts speaks forcefully in this journal of personal courage and discovery.”

—**Robert Cooper**, C.M.
Toronto Conductor and Choral Educator

“A truly courageous journey of so many challenges and impressive achievements, proving it can be done!”

—**Mary Morrison**, O.C.
Canadian Legendary Vocal Performer and Educator

“An inspiring story in which vocal music plays a key role! I am very proud of Ian for all his accomplishments and continued dedication to **the arts** in Canada.”

—**Adrienne Pieczonka**, O.C.
Canadian and International Soprano

“Bravo Ian! As well as presenting a strong argument for arts education in schools, your story of dedication and determination is a testament to the power of faith, friendship, and music.”

—**John Fanning**, C.M.
Canadian and International Baritone

“W. Ian Walker has written an honest and stirring account of triumph over adversity. Ian’s dedication to the arts and to his faith, shine through this inspirational autobiography. Highly recommended!”

—**Dr. Kathleen Garay (Retired)**
McMaster University

“This book is the story of overcoming challenges and developing talent into a very fruitful life through the wonderful grace of a personal connection with Jesus Christ.”

—**Nancy Honeytree Miller**
First Lady of Jesus Music Movement

“Gratitude and perseverance describe Ian’s journey from a childhood of “being different” to the adult discovery of a learning disability that impacted relationships and career opportunities. The diagnosis of ADHD and encounters with the Holy Spirit provided a new lens through which to view past hurts and to anticipate the future with hope and a song in his heart.”

—**Dr. Carol A. Wood (Retired)** *Ecumenical Chaplain,
McMaster University (Retired)*

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It is an honor to write this endorsement for a story that will stir the hearts of even the most discouraged. With God there is always a way to victory. Amid constant ups and downs in Ian’s life, he has learned a deep secret—sing your way into joyful purpose!

Though Ian struggles with short-term memory due to ADHD, a failed marriage, financial pressures, and more, God has stirred his soul. Ian is captured by the One who will not let him go. There is a prophetic flow throughout the pages of this book and I trust you will feel that flow and respond to that same call to live.”

—**Jeremy Sinnott**
Worship Leader & Pastor, Catch the Fire

“I’ve known Ian for almost 20 years. Ian was created by God to express joy. As with all who have special assignments in life, the journey in getting there is not always easy. Ian has persevered and continues to be a man who sees the best in life. I believe you will receive hope for your journey by reading Ian’s story.”

—**Steve Long**
Senior Leader, Catch the Fire Toronto