**Tyler W Somers Biography**

Born into a world of rich lyrics and melodies, I am the son of two artists. My father’s piano brought jazz into our home, and instilled in me an appreciation for classical music through his own compositions and performances. My mom’s voice echoed through the halls with the melodies of Barbara Streisand and Simon & Garfunkel.

I picked up a guitar at nine years old. Soon after, I found myself playing Nirvana covers in garage bands. Grunge gave way to mid-2000s acoustic pop, and instead of “Most Likely to Succeed,” my classmates bestowed upon me the senior superlative “Most Likely to Become Jack Johnson.” Earlier this year, I stood outside Nissan Stadium in Nashville with my daughter to catch a free-to-us Coldplay concert. These sounds run deep in my soul and influence the way that I write and perform today.

When I was 15, after a close friend’s passing, I heard about Jesus for what seemed like the first time. My life has never been the same. Faith invades every part of my life, including my music. I write songs of hope within grief, light amid darkness, love above all.