KEYNOTE SPEAKER · MUSICIAN · AUTHOR · INDEPENDENT AI RESEARCHER

# Ric Steel



"Lectures That Land. Lessons That Last."

**More than 20,000 performances. Hundreds of lectures. Speaking professionally since approximately 1966.** Ric Steel combines first-hand knowledge — of artificial intelligence, personal resilience, stagecraft, and discovering your gifts — with live music that reinforces the message. Audiences leave with practical questions, renewed purpose, and something to do next.

**Memphis, Tennessee — passport & visas ready for engagements worldwide**

**20,000+ PERFORMANCES** | **HUNDREDS OF LECTURES** | **SPEAKING SINCE 1966** | **DIRECT BOOKING**

## What a booking includes

· 45–60 minute keynote lectures (or shorter 15-minute contributions) · Live vocal & guitar performances at every lecture — volume-appropriate for each setting · Brings own production equipment; handles own mix; integrates with venue PA · PowerPoint support, emcee service, anthems, guest introductions · Band or orchestra arrangements available (charts + click tracks provided) · Pre-event phone or Zoom conversation to tailor the program to your audience

## Proven with discerning audiences

Engagements include **Yamaha, Chevrolet, Carnival Cruise Line, Holland America Line, Celebrity Cruises, Princess Cruises, and American Cruise Lines.**

*"I am invited back repeatedly to speak and perform for major cruise lines around the world — well-traveled audiences accustomed to accomplished speakers. Those return invitations are a meaningful measure of the trust I have earned."*

**— Ric Steel**

## The Six Signature Talks

### 1 · AI: Conflict or Conscience

**Artificial intelligence · judgment · human responsibility**

A plain-language exploration of AI, judgment, and the questions we should be asking. THEOS patent-pending research; careful, question-driven delivery. **Audiences:** corporate teams, universities, general audiences. 45–60 min.

### 2 · How Diabetes Saved My Life

**Resilience · health · purpose**

Ric's personal story: from 300 injections a month to medication-free living. Candid, uplifting, delivered with music. Personal account, not medical advice. **Audiences:** wellness events, community groups. 45–60 min.

### 3 · Mastering Yourself to Master the Stage

**Authenticity · stagecraft · connection**

Show flow, authenticity, and audience connection from 20,000+ performances. "An authentic performer finds themselves before the spotlight." **Audiences:** musicians, speakers, performing-arts students. 45–60 min.

### 4 · From Failure to Fabulous

**Perseverance · humor · change**

"What almost stopped me taught me how to go forward." Hard-earned lessons as the foundation for your next step. **Audiences:** corporate teams, conferences, audiences navigating change. 45–60 min.

### 5 · Your Gift and How to Give It!

**Purpose · service · contribution**

Discover your abilities, develop them, put them to work for others. Presented faith-based for faith communities or universal for corporate and civic audiences. **Audiences:** faith, youth, corporate. 45–60 min.

### 6 · ASTROMEDICA: Inside the Voynich Mystery

**Specialty lecture · discovery · interpretation**

An invitation into the world's most enigmatic manuscript and Ric's interpretation of its meaning — supported by reproducible research. **Audiences:** literary societies, libraries, history groups. 45–60 min.

*All six programs include live vocal and guitar performances · full descriptions and inquiry:* ***bookricsteel.com/talks***

# Booking Ric Steel — direct, straightforward, and on-call

Call/text: **615 642-6643** · guestent@gmail.com

## Fees & logistics

**Speaking engagements start at $3,500 (USD).** Final fee depends on program, scope, and travel; contact Ric for a tailored quote.

**Travel:** Based in Memphis, TN — passport and visas ready for engagements worldwide. Travel and lodging additional by agreement.

**Short appearances:** anthems, introductions, emcee roles, and replacement bookings quoted individually.

**Last-minute:** Ric loves short-notice bookings and is always on call for engagements worldwide (subject to availability).

**Payments:** made payable to **Angels to Mankind**, the nonprofit charity Ric founded (IRS-recognized 501(c)(3) · EIN 42-2599623). You still work directly with Ric.

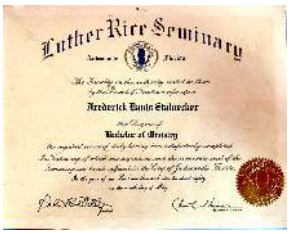
## Production

· Self-contained sound: own equipment, own mix, venue PA integration · Band/orchestra: charts + click tracks; 1 hr rehearsal per show · PowerPoint support for live presentations · Musical performances at volumes appropriate to audience and setting · Audiovisual needs and additional musicians agreed in advance · Shorter contributions: a few minutes up to 15 minutes

**Direct booking — no agency fees.** Every engagement begins with a phone or Zoom conversation so the program is tailored to your audience and goals.

## Credentials & credibility

**Ministry:** licensed and ordained Christian minister — **Bachelor of Ministry, Luther Rice Seminary (Jacksonville, Florida), May 9, 1980. Music:** two Billboard-charting recordings · German gold-medal vocalist recognition · John Lennon songwriting contest recognition · coaching for at-sea versions of *The Voice*. **Grammy submission:** *Love, Work & Money* submitted for Grammy consideration, New York committee, 2011 (submission for consideration, not an official nomination). **Speaking:** professionally since approx. 1966 — cruise, corporate, civic, and faith audiences on every continent. **Research:** ORCID 0009-0009-9063-7438 (Frederick Davis Stalnecker) · THEOS patent-pending reasoning process · Voynich decipherment research in review at **Cryptologia** with a reproducible evidence repository on GitHub (Frederick-Stalnecker/VoynichPapers).




Bachelor of Ministry · May 9, 1980

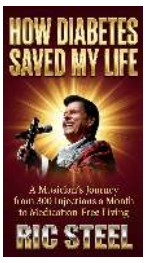


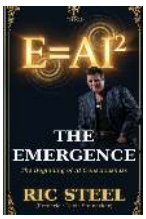

Angels to Mankind emblem

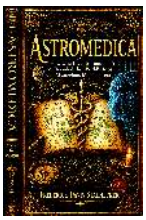



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## Books & media




**Three books:** *How Diabetes Saved My Life*; *E equals AI squared: The Emergence — The Beginning of AI Consciousness*; *ASTROMEDICA*. **Availability:** completed books are sent as PDF files after a written request — request via bookricsteel.com/books-and-research. **Theme music:** hear Ric sing his theme, *The difference is making a difference*, on the homepage player (bookricsteel.com/#music-player). **Performance video:** watch the concert reel at bookricsteel.com.

## Start a conversation — I love hearing from organizers

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