

# Jimmy Tuman

## National Youth Speaker

Jimmy Tuman is a National Youth Speaker. His life purpose is helping youths cope with the issues of bullying, teen suicide and alienation. He teaches audiences to live fully in the present moment and act on the goals and interests we all hold dear.

The following is a list of several of his many outstanding accomplishments:

- Graduate of Michigan State University. Honored as a [2012 Distinguished Alumni](#) in Humanities.
- Developed three national programs dealing with youth, women, and returning veterans.
- Has appeared on broadcast TV, including: ABC, NBC, CBS national news, The Today Show and The Oprah Winfrey Show.
- Has been featured in leading publications, including: Newsweek, USA Today, Business Week, Chicago Sun Times, Washington Post, Los Angeles Times, Newsday, Detroit Free Press, Detroit News, and the New York Times.
- Was invited by fourteen world leaders to talk about the breakdown of families.
- Has been the subject of a nationwide documentary shown throughout Japan.
- Jim believes in balance in his life and so has done such diverse things as being a circus clown, rodeo rider, symphony musician, cake decorator, and parade enthusiast.
- Served as a famine relief worker in Ethiopia and worked as a roadee with the rock band Journey.
- Passed the milestone of speaking to more than two million students in more than 2000 schools nationwide.
- Named [2000 Michiganiaan of the Year](#) by The Detroit News.
- [2002 RARE Award Winner](#) for Public Service Excellence.
- 34 State and National Awards for service performance.
- Founder of the Jimmy's Kids charity, a Christmas Program serving less fortunate children.
- Featured performance in the critically acclaimed national movie "A Girl Like Her" (2015).
- Spoke at TEDx Talk (Fall 2015).
- Subject of a PBS Documentary "The Tuman Effect."
- Interviewed by WJR's Jack Krasula for his "Anything Is Possible" radio show. Listen online here: [Show Archives](#), Scroll through to Jim Tuman 03/16/2019.
- Jim Tuman has won the highest award given by his high school, Scarsdale High School in New York; by his college, Michigan State University; by his fraternity, Phi Gamma Delta, by the City of Detroit and by the State of Michigan.

