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Little drummer boy to star in reality show

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The Bloomfield Hills toddler who made national news earlier this year with his drumming talent is about to star in a reality TV show, according to a news release distributed Wednesday by the cousin's Detroit-based music distribution company, Harmonie Network.

Julian Pavone, now two-and-a-half, will star in the show called Finding Julian's Band, the release stated. Child musicians ten and under from around the country are invited to send audition videos to the show's producers via www.harmonienetwork.com. The producers will choose a group of semi-finalists to perform on the show, then the public will select the finalists by on-line voting on the Harmonie Network web site. The producers will then choose Julian's band from the finalists.

Julian and the band will then record a single, according to the news release.

I thought it was a great idea, Julian's father, Bernie Pavone, said today. With the recent success of American Idol, it will make a great family show. Who doesn't love kids? To see the youngest band ever recorded, to me it's fascinating because there's a lot of prodigies out there that have a lot of talent. I think it's going to be very appealing to the audience.

Julian's drumming prowess has put him on Good Morning America, Inside



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Julian Pavone, drumming away at home in Bloomfield Hills on March 7. (RICHARD LEE/Detroit Free Press)

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Edition and Martha Stewart. No network has yet signed up to air "Finding Julian's Band," however. For more information about Julian, go to www.littledrummerbaby.com

I'm not going to be one of those parents that pushes their kid, Bernie Pavone said. He just loves his drums and his music. Every morning, he's up at 7:30 and he heads downstairs to play.

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This kid has no talent and should not be given the press you bestow upon him. There are hundreds of talented musicians in the Detroit area and he is not one of them. Until he learns to count and /or play, Why don't you give the real musicians a break and stop insulting them.

Posted: Thu Nov 02, 2006 3:20 pm

I can't believe you are still writing about this. I am a drum teacher and have seen plenty of drumming toddlers. This kid does not demonstrate anything out of the ordinary. Last time you wrote about him, there were multiple comments about the con-artist father and his criminal history. Why encourage this sham? The kid may be a good drummer some day, but despite his early exposure to the instrument, he has a lot to overcome in his family life. Good luck and may he find people in his life who will nurture and not exploit.

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I'm not going to be one of those parents that pushes their kid. ...hmmm. Whatever, Bernie

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