

## **Ben Crane**

At a safe distance west of Eckville rests one of Alberta's best-kept secrets (and some secrets are best-kept). Western singer, songwriter, entertainer and cartoonist Ben Crane has been slathering his brand of clean but slightly twisted rural humour over audiences across western Canada and the US for the past 30 years.

Best known for his art on the ever-popular Leanin' Tree greeting cards, Ben is a family man, travelling with his wife and youngest daughter. He loves life and, according to his mother, is actually quite harmless.