



## Curriculum Vitae

CLarOL -Carol Crooks- is an award winning clown who has performed in circus, on stage and in the streets of Canada, the USA, Mexico & Central America. But, she is no clown off the street. CLarOL holds an Hon. degree in Drama & Communications Studies from the University of Windsor. She is also a student of renowned mime Sigfrido Aguilar.

CLarOL's shows and workshops became an integral part of the Ontario Science Centre exhibit, Circus! She has also been a member artist with the Learning Through the Arts program and is currently involved in the Heart and Stroke Foundation Jump and Hoops program. She has facilitated week long clown workshop for children, and a balloon sculpture exhibit at the Art Gallery of Windsor, and continues to teach clowning across North America. Her comedy stage show has taken her to North America's oldest amusement park, Lake Compounce and to Labrador City, Newfoundland!

If you are a media savvy you would have seen or hear CLarOL featured on CBC TV and radio nationally on Definitely not the Opera, It's a Living, AM 800 CKLW, Young Country FM and countless times on CBC Windsor Television, The A Channel Windsor, The Windsor Parent Magazine, and the Windsor Star.

A co-producer of SLapstick SiLLies, CLarOL joined Bob "Bobo" Ammon and shared centre ring and centre stage at the Palace of Auburn Hills with the Royal Hanneford Circus, Michigan Children's Theatre, the Windsor Symphony Orchestra, and at the National Arts Centre with Canada's National Symphony. SLapstick SiLLies was voted one of the top ten acts at the Kingston Busker Rendezvous in 1995. And that was just the beginning. She has gone on to write and perform original songs in collaboration with Dan Labonte, and created and performed Cirque D'Zastor one of the top two family friendly Fringe Shows at the Windsor Fringe Festival.

CLarOL has been a columnist for the Variety Arts magazine The Funny Paper and co-authored (with artist Sherry Campeau) a children's storybook CLarOL Clickity Clacks. She also co-wrote (with singer song writer Kathleen Hughes) a children's musical CLarOL's Clubhouse.

A Career clown for over 20 years, most of CLarOL's time is spent making over 350 appearances a year.