

# Biography

Sons of Serendip is a musical group of four friends, who through a series of serendipitous events, came together in graduate school at Boston University. Micah Christian, a former teacher from Randolph, Massachusetts, is the lead vocalist of the group; Cordaro Rodriguez, a former attorney from Charlotte, North Carolina, is the pianist and guitarist; Kendall Ramseur, a former cello instructor from Charlotte, NC, is the cellist and vocalist; and Mason Morton, who is a former teacher from Atlanta, GA, is the harpist for the quartet. In 2014 they came together to begin what they know will be a long beautiful journey of creating music that touches people's hearts by competing and becoming finalists on America's Got Talent, Season 9 (NBC). They hope that their music will resonate deeply with listeners and that, in some way, it will make their lives a little better – even if just for a moment.

Micah Christian, a native of Randolph, Massachusetts, became interested in music at an early age. However, it wasn't until his senior year of high school, when he earned a solo in the Massachusetts Southeastern District Senior Choir, that he realized his potential as a musician. As a freshman at Stonehill College, he decided to follow his passion for music. For the next five years, he spent his summers performing with the Cape Cod-based a cappella group, Hyannis Sound, and his love for music deepened. Alongside Micah's passion for music is his desire to help build a better world. He has volunteered for a year in Honduras, and a month in Calcutta, India with Mother Teresa's Missionaries of Charity. Also, in 2013, after graduating from Boston University with a Master of Divinity, he and his wife volunteered in a rural community in northern Peru for another year. As a member of Sons of Serendip, Micah hopes to inspire others to use their gifts to spread love and build a better world.

Kendall Ramseur is a singer-songwriter, composer, and cellist from Charlotte, North Carolina. Kendall's relationship with music began at age seven when his father purchased an upright piano for the family. While excelling in his piano studies, Kendall found his instrument of choice at age 10, "My orchestra teacher laid all the instruments on the floor in the classroom and told each student to stand by the instrument of their choice... the cello really sparked something in me." Kendall chose the cello that day, and one of the ways he would express himself chose him. He then went on to receive his Bachelors and Masters Degrees from the University of North Carolina School of the Arts and Boston University, in Music Performance with a concentration in cello. As a member of Sons of Serendip, his hope is that this quartet will inspire others through their music, creating an experience one will never forget.

Mason Morton was born in Atlanta, Georgia. He lived in a house full of love and encouragement with his mom, an aunt, and his grandparents. He always admired his grandparents, and he says he learned his drive, determination, and taste in music from them. His love of music was instilled early on, and quickly became a passion for him. Mason began to see his own potential with the help of his harp mentors: principal harpist of the Atlanta Ballet, Nella Rigell, and former principal harpist of the Boston Symphony Orchestra, Ann Hobson Pilot. It was their combined confidence in Mason

that gave him the courage to believe in himself. After completing his graduate studies at Boston University, he is thrilled his musical journey has led him to Sons of Serendip. It is here he has gained the brotherhood he has longed for. As a member of Sons of Serendip, he hopes that his journey will help to inspire others to follow their dreams.

Cordaro Rodriguez was born in Charlotte, North Carolina. He began teaching himself piano at the age of 10 and became well-versed in several other instruments as well as in music production. He has produced music for several well-known international artists such as Verbal, Kylie Minogue, CREAM, and Def Tech. After graduating from Princeton University in 2008 with a Bachelor's Degree in Psychology, he spent a year volunteering as an English teacher in Ecuador. He then attended Boston University School of Law where he received his Juris Doctor degree in 2012. At Boston University he serendipitously reconnected with his childhood friend, Kendall Ramseur, and met his future bandmates -- Mason Morton and Micah Christian. As a member of Sons of Serendip, Cordaro is very grateful to have the opportunity to pursue his love for music.