

Minnesota Music Hall of Fame Inductee



William Makovsky

Inducted in 2009



William “Wee Willie” Makovsky at a young age, pretended he was playing the drums with a dish pan and a couple of spoons.

At age five, his dad came home with a two row button box accordion and he and his dad played at house parties.

At age eight, he had his first gig as a wedding reception and by age 13 he had learned to play the Concertina.

In 1961, at Fergus Falls, William would play at a bar/grocery store called Wee Town Store. From there a band was formed and was called Wee Willie Band.

In 1986, the band moved to Minneapolis and has performed at festivals around the Midwest. The Wee Willie Band has been nominated for Band of the Year and recorded 20 cassettes and seven CDs.