

Mary Alice Amidon • Integrating Picture Books And Music

Favorite picture books of songs

Day is Done, Peter Yarrow, *ill.* Melissa Sweet, Sterling Press 2009.

Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus Mo Willems, Hyperian Books for Children, 2003; music: "Thank U Mum (4 Everything You Did)" from St. Germain's album "Boulevard."

Go Tell Aunt Rhody, *ill.* Alike, MacMillan Publ. Co. NY 1974

Frog Went a-Courtin', *version by* John Langstaff, *ill.* Rojankovsky, 1955.

Hush Little Baby, *ill.* Alike, Prentice Hall, Englewood Cliffs, NJ

Hush Little Baby, Marla Frazee, Browndeer Press, Harcourt Brace and Co. ISBN 0-15-201429-2
(music)

The First Strawberries, *retold by* Joseph Bruchac, *ill.* by Anna Vojtech, Dial Books 1993 ISBN8037-1331-2 * Flute music by Carlos Nakai, Inner Voices, "Woodsong" followed by "Catfish Muse"

I Live in Music Ntozake Shange, paintings by Romare Bearden, Stewart, Tabori and Chang, publ. use "Take Five", Dave Brubeck

In the Fiddle is a Song by Durga Bernhard. Chronicle Books, San Francisco, 2006. ISBN 13:798-0-8118-4951-7. With track #1 from Brittany Haas CD called Brittany Hass "Dry and Dusty"

Knuffle Bunny: A Cautionary Tale - written & illustrated by Mo Willems: for music we used "Cocktail Party 40's Music" which we found on Youtube: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dvH-nbindvk>

Madeline written & illustrated by Ludwig Bemelmans with Arabesque No. 1 by Debussy from the CD "Romances for Saxophone" with Branford Marsalis & English Chamber Orchestra.

Mother Earth by Nancy Luenn, *ill.* by Neil Waldman, Atheneum, 1992, NY and new age music on the album entitled AMBER by David Darling, 'Shadows of the Moon' available from Narada Productions, Inc., 1845 N.Farwell Ave., Milwaukee, WI 53202 or other catalogues.

Owl Moon by Jane Yolen *ill.* John Schonnert, Philomel Books. 1987. Caldecott Winner. ISBN 0-399-21457-7 music: Carlos Nakai, Inner Voices, "Song for the morning Star" followed by Kokopelli Wind. ALSO paired with the song by Bruce O'Brien in New England Dancing Masters' "I'm Growing Up".

Over the Rainbow – (book/CD) music Harold Arlen, words E. Y. Harburg, art Eric Puybaret, performed by Judy Collins. Imagine – a Peter Yarrow book.

The Whales by Cynthia Rylant, Blue Sky Press, Scholastic, NY, 1996. Used with CONCERT FOR THE EARTH Live at the UN, Paul Winter Consort, "Lullaby from the Great Mother Whale for the Baby Seal Pups". Living Music Records, Inc. PO. Box 72 Litchfield, CT 06759

When I Grow up I want to be Me Sandra Magsamen, Hannygirl Productions, Orchard Books. 2002 with Popcorn Behavior, Journeywork, cut 3 (on itunes store). ALSO paired with song "I'm Growing Up" in Amidons' "Song in My Heart" and New England Dancing Masters' "I'm Growing Up".

Where the Wild Things Are Maurice Sendak, Harper Collins, 1963; music: Stravinsky's "Petrouchka": Death of Petrushka/Dance of the Coachmen and Grooms (stop at 1' 16")/Waltz: The Ballerina and the Moor.

Composing tunes to books (my own tunes)

Its Time for Bed, Mem Fox, ill. Jane Dyer, Gulliver Books, Harcourt Brace and Co, ISBN 0-15-2881832, 1993

Johnny Appleseed, Rosemary and Steven Vincent Binet, by Stephen Benet, Rosemary Benet and S.D. Schindler, Simon and Shuster, 2001 (recorded on Amidon's cd *A Song in my Heart*)

The Judge by Harve and Margot Zemach, A Sunburst, Farrar, Strauss and Giroux

Keep on/Singing, A Ballad of Marian Anderson by Myra Cohn Livingston, ill. Carol Bird, Holiday House, NY. ISBN0-8234-1098-6

The Owl and the Pussycat by Edward Lear, L.B. Cauley, G.P. Putnam's Sons (Peter's tune recorded on the Amidon's CD *A Song in my Heart*)

Stopping by Woods on a Snowy Evening, Robert Frost, ill. Susan Jeffers, Dutton (Peter's setting on Amidon's "All I Really Need" CD.)

Yonder, by Tony Johnston, ill. by Lloyd Bloom, Dial books for Young Readers, 2 Park Ave., NY.

Pairing a book with a song or theme:

I Miss You Every Day by Simms Taback, Viking Books, Penguin Young Readers Group 2007. ISBN 978-0-670-06192-1 (to go with the song "Mail Myself to You")

We All Went on Safari by Laurie Krebs, Ill. Julia Cairns, Barefoot Books.

Acting Out a Story

Wangari's Trees of Peace by Jeanette Winter, Hartcourt, Inc. music: Mickey Hart's "Planet Drum" CD, "Mysterious Island" and "Bones" cuts.