

# HIGH NOTES

***"We pop in the CD and we're off to a magical land, combining simple lyrics that roll off the tongue with storybook characters.*** The children's guide helps us (parents) steer our kids through music comprehension even if our forte is in accounting. We're singing the praises of Fun with Composers activity books."

**MAGAZINE, Sweet Mama**

***"I think my son (who has been diagnosed with Mild Autism) can picture the music being played by the composer when he listens to the songs as he gets right into it.*** He loved listening to the songs on a regular basis and really responded to following along with the music with the finger reading sheets provided (Music Maps)."

**MOTHER of Autistic Child, Christine Chura**

***"Your lyrics are so in tune with children. My girls and I just sing the songs spontaneously wherever we are.*** It's just great fun! We were watching a children's cartoon on television and as soon as she heard it my daughter said "Johann Strauss"! She recognized the composer and the music from your program! You have a wonderful way of engaging children. Thank you!"

**HOMESCHOOLER, Sonya White**

***"I just love how you take classical music and made it active and fun. Thanks so much for sharing your creative talent.*** A little grade 2 boy told me that one night when his family was having spaghetti for dinner, he asked for his dad to pass the parmesan cheese. As he sprinkled it onto his pasta, he broke into the entire song of Figaro the Magical Chef, just changing the word 'soup' to 'food' The family sat in awe as he belted out his passionate song."

**TEACHER, Maureen Cunningham**

***"Give the gift of music to a child!"*** Deborah Ziolkoski, creator and author of Fun with Composers, shows that music is not a mystery—it is a fundamental component of each human experience."

**MUSIC DIRECTOR, Bramwell Tovey**  
Vancouver Symphony and  
Orchestre Philharmonique du Luxembourg

***"You have put so much value into your works: entertainment, music, fun, knowledge, and great messages of kindness, politeness and manners.*** Your program is brilliant! What you have brought to life for children and adults fortunate enough to see the books is unbelievable! They are entertaining and the messages are wonderful."

**MOTHER / "New fan", Cynthia Provencher**

***"One of my students said, "I wish all learning could be this fun." Wow! I wish all teaching could be that fun!"***

Every sixth grader was moving, singing, acting, learning and having great fun (with the Tritsch Tratsch Polka). I told the students that I would play the piece without the words while they moved their desks back into place. When everything was back in order and students were seated, several complained, "You promised you would play the song without the words, but you didn't." I actually had played the instrumental piece, but they had been singing so enthusiastically, they hadn't noticed. As I played the instrumental piece again, they tapped feet, nodded heads, made their ringmaster or tightrope walker or vendor facial expressions and added any possible movement they could while still remaining seated. It was such an amazing thing to see!"

**TEACHER, Tracy DeLaurenti McClure**



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