

# Mp3 Samantha Whelan - Rocky Mountain Fairy Tales



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Similar to Prokofiev's Peter and the Wolf, rocky mountain fairy tales enchant and educate young listeners as they set out on adventures accompanied by the four instrument families of a symphony orchestra. 8 MP3 Songs KIDS/FAMILY: Children's Storytelling, KIDS/FAMILY: Educational Details: "Where can I get more of Samantha Whelan's CD's? They are the only stories my children want to listen to in the car when we travel...I had 4 hours of the forest fire faires just yesterday..." Cate (mother of 2) "...earlier this year, we moved to Dubai and your cd was among the boxes we brought. One night, my younger son who is now 5, brought it to me and we agreed to play it after lights out at bedtime. And that was the beginning...every night since, the boys insist on hearing the stories ... whether it's the music, the story, the reminder of the Canadian Rockies...I'm not sure. But they love it to death. Thanks for that! If you ever produce another, I would be interested in hearing it!!!" Kelly (mother of 2 boys) About rocky mountain fairy tales: Rocky Mountain Fairy tales is one of the first childrens CD's to integrate the different families of instruments from the orchestra with life lessons and mystical tales of the Rocky Mountains. These four fairy tales are written by Samantha Whelan with music composed by Keon Birney. The stories take the listener on a musical adventure through the Rocky Mountains encompassing four seasons. With the help of four different types of fairies, Red Fire Fairies, Green Forest Fairies, Blue Water Fairies, and best of all, the Yellow Wind Fairies, many situations transpire. Each story has been orchestrated for a different group of instruments making the families of the Orchestra come to life. In between each of the stories is a wonderfully arranged folk song showcasing the sounds of the instrument family featured in the story it follows. Samantha Whelan Kotkas, biography Born in Canada and educated in Calgary and Houston, Samantha has spent a lifetime playing the trumpet and telling stories. She has traveled internationally as a creative consultant and professional trumpet player. For the past eight years, she has been combining

her love of music and education in Alberta. Samantha has produced children's presentations for the Calgary Philharmonic Orchestra, the National Symposium on Arts Education, the Banff Centre for the Arts and her Brass Quintet, the Northern Lights. She released her first childrens CD, Rocky Mountain Fairy Tales in 2000, and was subsequently the keynote speaker at the Young Writers' Conference in Calgary in April 2003, and at the Young Audiences of Houstons annual symposium on arts-in-education in June 2001. As an Ambassador for the National Arts Centre of Canada and a Calgary Arts Partnership in Education Society (CAPES) artist, Samantha continues to consult and perform in many Calgary area schools. She also teaches privately at her Sun Spot Studio. Samantha performed the World Premier of her fifth rocky mountain fairy tale, Winter Solstice, with the Calgary Philharmonic Orchestra in March 2006.

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