

Mp3 Heather Whaley - A Bit Of This & That, And A Snap, Clap, Tap. A Collection Of Stories And Songs 2 Cd



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Heather brings both traditional tales and her own stories to life by interspersing the narrative with rhyme, chant, and song and uses the guitar to add flavour to her delightful folk style. 21 MP3 Songs

KIDS/FAMILY: Children's Storytelling, KIDS/FAMILY: General Children's Music Details: Biography:

Heather Whaley Heather is a storyteller, singer-songwriter who brings both traditional tales and her own stories to life by interspersing the narrative with rhyme, chant, and song. She often invites audience participation through singing and the use of homemade instruments and props. She also uses the guitar to add flavour to her delightful folk style. Her presentations transcend all ages and cultures, and preserve the dignity and heritage they embody. Heather performs in schools, at festivals, in concert, and many public venues, mostly in Ontario, however has told in schools and conducted workshops in Southern California as well. Program Description: Heather's past position as a Children's Programmer in a public library for thirteen years, and her experience as a storyteller, presenter, puppeteer and facilitator in language programs in her community, has allowed her to present various programs to all ages. Her visits are designed to entertain, inspire, address themes and issues that appeal to various ages and meet school curriculum. Although her programs are popular in grade schools, Heather also presents at the high school level where she likes to include original contemporary, folk and blues music with personal tales that are profound or humorous. Tales that inspire teens to want to write, use instrumentation, sing and tell stories to one another. Her adult performances are gaining popularity at concerts, cafes, art venues and to Senior's groups. Heather was continually exposed to music and stories in a very casual, natural way while growing up in Thunder Bay, Ontario with her Scottish father who frequently told tales about his homeland, recited poetry, sang, and played the accordion and spoons. Also, Heather's mother loved to

sing fun, light-hearted ditties from the 30's 40's which greatly attributes to her enjoyment of the singing style of that era. Portions of her programs include traditional Celtic roots, particularly from the Border country around Galashiels, Selkirkshire, Scotland where her father was from. Many tales reflect on the various European immigrant cultures that lived in her community, and Ojibwa native friends who lived on the reserves and in town. Heather's deliverance includes a good combination of lively, fun material and gentle, heart- warming literary works. Publications: A Bit of This That And A Snap, Clap, Tap! A collection of Stories and Songs. Produced by Heather Whaley.. A double CD album with a collection of original and traditional stories and songs for educators, school age children and their families; a project which was facilitated by students and faculty of the Harris Institute for the Arts in Toronto, Ontario. Signatures; an anthology. Edited by Ruth E. Walker. The Writer's Circle of Durham Region, 2002. I Eat Borscht, I Eat Kippers, I Eat A Lot A Pasta Too. Whaley, Heather. First Love. Poetry selection. Ultimate Hallucinations. E magazine 2000. The Word Weaver: The Writer's Circle of Durham Region Newsletter TailSpin: The Durham Folklore Society Newsletter Memberships: Durham Folklore Society WCDR (Writers' Circle of Durham Region) STORYTELLERS OF CANADA Storytellers School of Toronto CANSCAIP (Canadian Society of Children's Authors, Illustrators and Performers) SOCAN (Society of Composers, Authors and Music Publishers of Canada) South Coast Storytellers Guild (Orange County CA)

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