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Cathy Fink & Marcy Marxer

"If good taste is timeless, then Cathy & Marcy ought to be around forever."
-St. Petersburg Times

Children's/Family Music Bio

TWO-TIME Grammy® Award winners Cathy & Marcy have been entertaining children together for over twenty years! Their backgrounds in education, drama, and music have equipped them to create songs and stories that are both relevant and captivating to young audiences. Their live performances set the standard for family participation and fun, and their recordings continue to inspire kids, parents, grandparents, teachers, and friends to sing together and enjoy the magic of music!

Between them, **Cathy & Marcy** have released over thirty (30) albums and videos. Their recordings have won awards from *the American Library Association, Parents' Choice, National Parenting Publications, Oppenheim Toy Portfolio, Parent's Guide to Children's Media* and 35 *WAMMY* Awards from the Washington Area Music Association. Their CD *All Wound Up! A Family Music Party* spent over a week as #1 on *Amazon.com*, not simply in children's music, but in all categories. For several years their two live family concert videos, *Cathy & Marcy's Song Shop*, have been in regular rotation on *The Learning Channel* as audience favorites. *Redleaf Press* released books based on three of Cathy & Marcy CD's, *Help Yourself, Nobody Else Like Me* and *Changing Channels*.

Cathy & Marcy won their second GRAMMY® in a row in 2005 for producing and performing on the Smithsonian Folkways Recordings CD ***cELLAbration! A Tribute to Ella Jenkins*. Their first GRAMMY® was in 2004 for their CD, *Bon Appétit! Musical Food Fun.*** Both awards were for Best Musical Album for Children. *cELLAbration!* was their SEVENTH consecutive children's album to be nominated. Their latest CD began garnering rave reviews from critics, educators, and advance listeners even before its release in September, 2005. Called ***Scat Like That: A Musical Word Odyssey***, it features tongue twisters, scat singing, limericks, yodeling, Pig Latin, and more. It's great fun for everyone!

Cathy & Marcy have performed in concert halls, schools, festivals and clubs throughout the United States, Canada, Great Britain, Japan, Australia, New Zealand and Israel. They bring their combined experience of over 7,000 performances into every one of their concerts.

Media appearances include *The Weekend Today Show, Showbiz Today* (CNN), *The National Press Club, All Things Considered* (NPR), *Public Interest* (NPR), *The Washington Post* and *People Magazine*. Most recently, they have appeared on *The Morning Show Live!* (MN Public Radio), *Second Cup Café* (The CBS Saturday Early Show), and NPR's *Morning Edition.*

"My lucky daughter is growing up listening to your music, starting with *Jump Children* and *Grandma Slid Down the Mountain.* She's 12 now and still ends her day listening to *Pillow Full of Wishes.* Thanks for all the joy your music has given our family."--- *Fan Mail*

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Cathy Fink & Marcy Marxer

2 Time Grammy® Award Winners - 10 Time GRAMMY Finalists

"As close to flawless folk/bluegrass as it gets. The material is well wrought and significant, the vocal harmonies are impeccable, and the instrumentation is vivid and imaginative."
-Billboard Magazine

2004 & 2005 GRAMMY AWARD WINNERS!!!

- ***cELLAbration! A TRIBUTE TO ELLA JENKINS*** – Family Music CD **(GRAMMY® Winner 2005)**, featuring Cathy, Marcy and various artists performing songs by Ella Jenkins, Smithsonian Folkways Recordings
- ***BON APPÉTIT!*** - Family CD, Rounder Records **(GRAMMY® Winner 2004)**
- ***POSTCARDS*** - Folk, country, swing, eclectic - 2003 GRAMMY® Award Finalist (Best Traditional Folk Album)
- ***POCKET FULL OF STARDUST*** - Children's/family CD on Rounder Records - 2003 GRAMMY® Award Finalist
- ***ALL WOUND UP! A Family Music Party*** on Rounder Records, Collaboration with Brave Combo, GRAMMY® Finalist (2002), #1 on Amazon.com (Feb. 2002), Tower Records #1 (2001 & 2002)

NEW! FOR RELEASE IN FALL 2005

- ***SCAT LIKE THAT: A MUSICAL WORD ODYSSEY*** - Wordplay becomes big fun with tongue twisters, scat singing, limericks, yodeling, Pig Latin and more. A musical journey through big band swing, polka, blues, folk, old-time country and Latin sounds. Great for reading and literacy classes, too. (Rounder Records)
- ***MARCY MARXER'S SOLOING 101 FOR GUITAR (DVD)*** – Hands-on, easy to follow lessons make players more familiar with the fingerboard and translate the solos in their head into music on the guitar. (Homespun Tapes)
- ***CATHY FINK'S SINGING WITH THE BANJO (DVD)*** - Accompaniment, embellishments, and more for clawhammer banjo give students the tools to play all their favorite songs. (Homespun Tapes)

New Show! KENNEDY CENTER COMMISSION: The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts has commissioned Cathy & Marcy to write and perform a new show for their 2006 Country Music Festival. The family and school concert will be called, "Cathy & Marcy's Country Music Jamboree" and will include a 5 piece band. It will debut at the Kennedy Center February 21-25, 2006.

MARTIN GUITARS has honored CATHY & MARCY each with their own models of SIGNATURE GUITARS! These beautiful instruments are available to the public by special order.

Selected Appearances

Kids & Family

Strathmore Hall (N. Bethesda, MD) * Wolf Trap (Vienna, VA) * Orange County PAC (CA) * Skirball Center for the Arts (CA) Library of Congress *National Book Day* • Pepsi KidAround (Dallas, TX) • Ravinia Festival (Chicago, IL) • National Association for the Education of Young Children • White House Easter Egg Roll • Bethlehem Musikfest (PA) • Seattle Public Library System • S. Cal. Kindergarten Conference * Carnegie Hall (WV) * Fredonia Opera House (NY)

Folk + More

Philadelphia Folk Festival * Port Fairy Folk Festival (Australia) * Winnipeg Folk Festival * The Auckland Folk Festival (NZ) Kerrville Folk Festival (TX) * MerleFest (NC) * Vancouver Folk Music Festival * Strawberry Festival (CA) * Walnut Valley Festival (KS) * The Birchmere (VA) *) * Smithsonian Institution * John F. Kennedy Center *

Media Appearances

- CBS Early Morning Show – *Second Cup Café*
- NBC Weekend Today Show
- NPR: *Morning Edition*
- *National Press Club*

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Two-Time Grammy® Award Winners Cathy Fink & Marcy Marxer Present Their Newest Adventurous CD for Kids

Scat Like That: A Musical Word Odyssey

Takoma Park, MD - Sing along with back-to-back 2004 and 2005 Grammy® Award winners **Cathy Fink and Marcy Marxer** as they play with tongue twisters, scat singing, limericks, yodeling, Pig Latin and more. Clever, witty, playful, and adventurous, *Scat Like That: A Musical Word Odyssey* journeys through big band swing, polka, blues, folk, old-time country and Latin sounds. The songs are designed for guaranteed fun at home, in the car, and in the classroom.

Expert musicianship, entertainment, and educational content are rarely so well combined as on *Scat Like That.* Whether demonstrating the jazzy style of scat singing in the title song, yodeling through the vowels as they milk a cow, learning pirate parlance, or dancing a Pig Latin polka dance, Cathy and Marcy's humor and skill are clearly demonstrated. The songs have timeless appeal across the generations. For example, the duo chose a song penned in the 1950s for the Jack Paar Show, "IM4U", that will resonate with young instant messagers today.

As with Cathy and Marcy's live performances, interactivity is key on every song. An enthusiastic children's chorus inspires listeners to join in the sing-along fun.

CATHY FINK & MARCY MARXER are multiple Grammy® Award nominees. They were Grammy Award winners in both 2004 (for *Bon Appétit: Musical Food Fun*) and 2005 (*cELLAbration! A Tribute to Ella Jenkins*) for Best Musical Album for Children - making Cathy & Marcy the only children's recording artists to win the Grammy two years in a row. Their children's and family recordings have delighted fans for more than 20 years. They have received numerous other awards from sources including The Parents' Choice Foundation, The American Library Association, *Early Childhood News* and the Washington Area Music Association.

CD EXTRAS

www.cathymarcy.com is hosting a variety of "CD extras" for *Scat Like That*, including a recommended related reading list compiled by the former Head of Children's Services at Washington, DC Public Libraries. Families can download a "music minus one" version of "The Limerick Song" to sing their own limericks to, while a "Pirate's Mini-Dictionary" will continue the fun of "A Pirate's Life."

Early reviewers agree: *Scat Like That* is great!

"*Scat Like That* is one of the best kids' albums you'll hear anywhere." -- Jem Aswad, TimeOut New York Kids, September-October 2005

"... this effervescent new family album from veteran duo Cathy Fink and Marcy Marxer is filled with join-in fun and, shh, education, too... As always, Fink and Marxer's tuneful, folk-flavored songs are based on a sturdy foundation: respect for the hearts and minds of their young listeners." -- Lynne Heffley, Parents' Choice Foundation, September 2005

" Given that schools don't offer the same musical education they used to, *Scat Like That* is a welcome CD that will tickle brain cells as much as funny bones." -- Gregory Kerr, www.familymanonline.com, September 2005

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CATHY & MARCY *"cELLAbrate"*
THEIR 2nd GRAMMY®

Cathy Fink & Marcy Marxer did it again. For the 2nd year in a row, on their 10th nomination, the Kensington, MD residents won a **GRAMMY® for Best Musical Album for Children. The winning CD is *"cELLAbration: A Tribute to Ella Jenkins."*** Cathy & Marcy won their first GRAMMY® last year for ***"Bon Appétit! Musical Food Fun."*** Every CD Cathy & Marcy have released since 1997 has been nominated, including 2 produced for other artists (Tom Paxton, Dinorock Productions).

"cELLAbration: A Tribute to Ella Jenkins" (Smithsonian Folkways Recordings) celebrates the music of Ella Jenkins, "The First Lady of Children's Music" and 2004 GRAMMY® Lifetime Achievement Award winner. It is a spectacular collaboration by artists including Sweet Honey in the Rock, Pete Seeger, Tom Chapin, Mariachi Los Camperos, John McCutcheon, Riders in the Sky, Mike Stein, Michele Valeri and Spencer Perkins. Cathy & Marcy also performed their own tracks, played 15 instruments, and pulled together a fabulous team of engineers (Bob Dawson and Jim Robeson of Bias Recording, Pete Reiniger of Smithsonian Folkways Recordings). There is a wonderful children's chorus from University Park Elementary School conducted by Betty Scott, a GRAMMY® winner herself for conducting the Maryland Boy Choir on the Washington Chorus production of Britten's "War Requiem".

The project was a loving gift to Ella Jenkins in honor of her 80th birthday. Just as Ella's music has inspired generations of children, parents, and teachers alike, Cathy & Marcy's 21 years performing as a duo have kept families singing together and delighting in the joy of music.

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