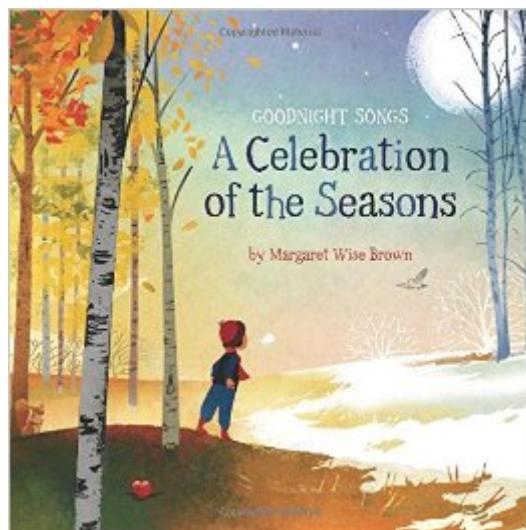


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# A Celebration Of The Seasons: Goodnight Songs: Illustrated By Twelve Award-Winning Picture Book Artists



## Synopsis

Some fine day, just run awayTo a long unscheduled dayTo where great clouds go sailing byAbove the birds and butterfly. Â Fluffy clouds, butterflies, furry bunnies, and life from a bug's-eye view: This stunning sequel to the New York Times bestseller Goodnight Songs celebrates the beauty and wonder of nature all year long. Once again, a treasure trove of Margaret Wise Brown's newly uncovered verses receives loving treatment from 12 award-winning artists, including Floyd Cooper, Peter Brown, David Small, Molly Idle, and Bob Staake. From a little bear singing one morning in May to a soft snowfall, mysterious, deep, and glowing, each song is magical.Â An accompanying CD, with lilting songs beautifully composed and sung by Emily Gary and Tom Proutt, makes this the perfect gift for children.

## Book Information

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Age Range: 3 - 6 years

Grade Level: Preschool - Kindergarten

## Customer Reviews

This book has some truly beautiful illustrations. My least favorite in the book was "bunny jig," with the "big fat pig" which I've attached a picture of. It is enough that it will keep me from giving the book as a gift, because of the worn out negative associations surrounding fat females, as something to make a joke out of when it comes to romance. (Not to mention the idea of the female being taller & bigger than the male in a pair, being made a joke.) The pig has an anthropomorphized human

female figure, and the male bunny is over-whelmed by the much bigger pig and ends up running off with a dainty lady bug. Whatever. A shame, because the rest of the book is lovely, and I will share the other poems with my own kids. And since my kids are old enough, I will share the bunny jig poem with them & we will talk about the pictures, have them reflect if they have seen similar messages elsewhere, and what it could look like if our culture sent more positive messages about all bodies being lovely, and lovable, and all types of couples being supported and respected. If it wasn't reinforcing such a repeated, negative message, (messages that I have seen negatively effect far too many people) I would allow the illustrator more leeway in their humor, but it is a message I don't want seared into my kids subconscious. If you read the poem disconnected from the pictures, you can imagine it being illustrated in all manner of other ways, so the negative message is not necessarily inherent in the poem. Maybe it would be fun for my kids to draw up their own illustrations to the poem. One of my favorites is the "Cherry Tree" poem, which I've also attached a picture of. The illustration is so lovely, much more beautiful than the picture captures. The cat one I included in my pictures is perhaps the most random of the other poems, not clearly fitting the theme of seasons, but whimsical & fun.

I bought this book for a mother to be to give to her new twins library. It is a fabulous book with wonderful artwork and that is one main reason that I bought it. I love books with great illustrations and this is one of them. A lovely book for any reason, but it makes a nice gift to go along with other shower gifts in my case. I am also using the box it came in to wrap it for the baby shower. Just a perfect book for a parent to read to her child or in this case to the mom of twins.

This is actually a book aimed at children but it can also be enjoyed by adults as well. This beautiful and unique collection (Good Night Songs: A celebration of the seasons by Margaret Wise Brown) of seasonal poems written by Margaret and illustrated by twelve (Peter Brown, Floyd Cooper, Leo Espinosa, Blanca Gomez, Molly Idle, Elly MacKay, Dadu Shin, David Small, Bob Staake, Satoe Tone, Frank Viva and Mick Wiggins) award winning artists is a wonderful and enjoyable hardcover book. This book also has a CD where the poems are set to music. The poems in this collection include: To a child, the song of the tiny cat, love song of the little bear, buzz, buzz, buzz, bunny jig, advice to bunnies, fall of the year, quiet in the wilderness, the kittens dream, cherry tree, winter adventure, and snow fall. There is also a short bio of each of the artists who contributed to this collection. If you enjoy children's poems and beautiful illustrations this is a book you may want to read. Rating: 4 Stars. Joseph J. Truncate (Author: Haiku Moments: How to read, write and enjoy

haiku).

A beautiful collection of poems, illustrations and charming songs. You and your children will love it!

We borrow this from the public library often to listen to the accompanying CD. It's light, happy, and so sweet to play everyday in our nursery or on car rides. I love it and highly recommend.

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