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New Rainbow Songs CD - Coming Soon

On the heels of Rainbow Songs' successful 2012 CD release of *When You Are One!*, we are excited to announce that our next program CD is in its final stages!

Created and produced as an accompaniment to our 2-4 year old program, this CD will include many of your favourite songs from our young children's program. As always, this CD will feature our current instructors as they perform some popular tunes in new and original ways. Creative arrangements combined with (always!) professional production are proving a successful combination, as early listeners have ranked this CD as one of our most fun.

The only thing we can't tell you about this CD?...the name! Along with the finishing touches on the production side, we're still working on a perfect name for the album. Keep your ears open for announcements on our Facebook and Twitter pages for this new name...coming soon.

***When You Are One!* Wins Parents' Choice Award**

We're happy to announce that Rainbow Songs' *When You Are One!* was recently awarded a "Spring 2013 Music" Parents' Choice Award. This adds another esteemed award to the ever-increasing count by Rainbow Songs produced CDs. Congrats to all involved in the creation and success of this CD and we hope you enjoy listening!!

Summer Registration

Enrolling Early Ensures Your Spot in Class!

Our Summer 2013 session schedule is now available on our website and registration is open through our online enrollment system.

Classes fill up **very** quickly, so register early to avoid disappointment!

Visit www.rainbowsongs.com and select "Enroll" at the top of the screen to proceed to our enrollment system.

Welcome, Daiva and Cat!

We're excited to introduce two new instructors, Daiva and Cat, to our Rainbow Songs families!

Both Daiva and Cat have already begun their training with Rainbow Songs, which will continue throughout the Spring session.

Some of you will have the opportunity to meet both of our new instructors, as their training brings them to many of our locations, giving them a chance to learn from a variety of our highly experienced staff. Those classes will get the benefit of 2 instructors, which means: Rainbow Songs in Stereo!!

Please join us in welcoming Daiva and Cat to their exciting new roles at Rainbow Songs!

Sickness Policy

Spring is here, and with it a range of coughs and colds.

Please remember to have consideration for your peers and fellow parents, and leave your child at home if they are experiencing symptoms such as a fever, rash, vomiting, or pink eye. You should visit your doctor if your child is experiencing any of these symptoms, as they are signs that your child could be contagious and could infect other people in the class.

Please make use of the **hand sanitizers** installed in all Rainbow Songs locations. Proper handwashing has a significant impact on the transmission of illness.

If, in our opinion, your child is too ill to participate in Rainbow Songs, our teachers may ask you to leave the class. We want everyone to be happy and healthy when attending our classes, and your consideration for others is much appreciated!

Special Theme Weeks

Earth Week: April 15-20

With Earth Day being too short to really do justice to our planet, Rainbow Songs is happy to have an entire Earth Week of classes. Songs with eco-friendly themes will help us welcome spring and celebrate the Earth.

Animal Week: May 13-18

During Animal Week we will be singing songs about our favourite animals. You are encouraged to come to class dressed in your best animal gear or perhaps with a favourite stuffed animal.

Featured Songs and Rhymes

I Am A Tree (Lorraine Lee Hammond)

This is my trunk, I'm a tall tall tree
In the Springtime the blossoms grow on
me, they open, they open.

This is my trunk, I'm a tall tall tree
In the Summer the breezes blow through
me, I bend, I bend.

This is my trunk, I'm a tall tall tree
In the Autumn the apples grown on me
they drop, they drop.

This is my trunk, I'm a tall tall tree
In the Winter the snowflakes fall on me

Brrrrrr... brrrrrr....

This is my trunk, I'm a tall tall tree
In the Springtime the blossoms grow on
me, they open, they open.

Trees Need the Sun (Mike Whittle)

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Trees need the sun (*make a circle with
your arms for the sun*).

Trees need the rain (*use your fingers to
show rain*).

Trees need the earth (*touch the ground
with your hands*).

It's always been that way.

Just like I need the sun.

I need the rain.

I need the earth.

It's always been that way.

Just like you need the sun.

You need the rain.

You need the earth.

It's always been that way.

Just like we need the sun.

We need the rain.

We need the Earth.

It's always been that way.



Rainbow Songs Foundation and Common Thread Chorus successfully put their Hands Together for an afternoon of fun and music!

On Sunday, March 3, over 250 people came out in support of RSF and Common Thread Chorus! 15 songs and 31 silent auction items later, we raised enough money to buy 50 new instruments for children in need living in shelters across the GTA! All attendees enjoyed an afternoon of crafts and activities – including the creation of a quilt that was auctioned off later in the afternoon – and of course live music from members of the Common Thread Chorus and some of your favourite Rainbow Songs teachers.

On behalf of all the children that will benefit as a result, thank you for your support!

And a very special thanks to our silent auction donors who helped make this event such a success: *Another Story Bookshop, APEX Public Relations Inc., Art Gallery of Ontario Gift Shop, Bayview Wildwood Resort, Crown Flora Studio, Common Thread Community Chorus Members, Eve Goldberg, Folk/Roots Musician, Firefly Creative Writing: Workshops, Retreats & Coaching, Firefly Music Lessons, G.H. Johnson's Trading Company Ltd., Merlot Restaurant, Mini Circuit Wheels for Kids, Rainbow Songs Inc., Think Fitness Studios, Shoppers Drug Mart, Splash'N Boots, Taissa Boutique, Mrs. Huizenga's, WaySpa.com*

Run with us in the Scotiabank Marathon this Fall!

For the second year, RSF Board Members will be participating in the Scotiabank Group Charity Challenge and we want you to join us! Last year we reached our goal of \$3,000 and this year we are hoping to raise even more! The walk/run is taking place on October 20th and registration has already begun. Friends, family and children are all welcome to participate! To learn more or register for the run in support of RSF, please visit <http://www.torontowaterfrontmarathon.com/en/charity/rsf.htm> . We would love to have you on our team!

To learn more about RSF or to make a donation in support of providing high-quality, interactive music programs to families with young children living in shelters cross the GTA, please visit us at <http://foundation.rainbowsongs.com>