AWARDS & MEDIA

AWARDS LIST

- 10th Annual Josie Independent Music Awards, Winner, Children's Music Creators/Performers, 2024
- 2023 International Song Contest, Semi-Finalist, Counting on My Brain, 2024
- 41st Mid-Atlantic Song Contest, Silver Award Winner, We're Going to the Library, 2025
- 40th Mid-Atlantic Song Contest, Finalist, Counting on My Brain, 2024
- NAPPA Parenting Products Award Winner, Energetic, 2023
- 24th Annual Great American Song Contest, Finalist, Buzz Buzz, 2023
- 39th Mid-Atlantic Song Contest, Best Animation Music Video, Hey Pluto, 2023
- WAMMIE Awards Finalist, Best Children's Group/Artist, 2021
- Telly Awards 2021, Bronze Winner for Virtual School video, to Sandra Kratc of Light At My Window for Craft Editing/Social Video, 2021
- 37th Mid-Atlantic Song Contest, Honorable Mention, Video for Giant & Colossal Squid, 2020
- 21st Annual Great American Song Contest, Finalist, Hey Pluto, 2020
- Parents' Choice Foundation, Gold Award Winner, Positronic, 2019
- NAPPA Parenting Products Award Winner, Positronic, 2019
- WAMMIE Awards Finalist, Best Children's Artist, 2019
- Bernard/Ebb Songwriting Contest, Semi-Finalist, 2019
- 36th Mid-Atlantic Song Contest, Finalist, Positrons, 2019
- 35th Mid-Atlantic Song Contest, Gold Award Winner, Alien in an Ambulance, 2018
- 35th Mid-Atlantic Song Contest, Honorable Mention, Explore the World, 2018
- 30th Mid-Atlantic Songwriting Competition, Finalist, The Penguin Song, 2014
- 29th Mid-Atlantic Songwriting Competition, Honorable Mention, Sheep Don't Wear Shoes, 2013
- Washington Area Music Association Wammie Nomination, Best Children's Artist 2013
- Washington Area Music Association Wammie Nomination, Best Children's Music Recording 2012







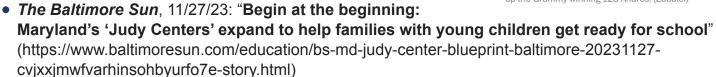






PRESS

- Take Effect, 4/22/24: "Marsha and the Positrons" (https://takeeffectreviews.com/april-2024-2/2024/4/22/marsha-and-the-positrons)
- Wolf Trap All Access, 4/3/24: "Wolf Trap Welcomes a New Cohort of Teaching Artists: New Class of Teaching Artists Includes a Celtic and Scottish Highlands Dancer, a 'Kindie' Rock Star, a Playwright, and an Inclusion Advocate, Among Others" (https://allaccess.wolftrap.org/2024/04/03/new-cohort-of-teaching-artists/)
- Rockmommy blog, 11/30/23: "MY 10 FAVORITE CHILDREN'S MUSIC SONGS OF 2023" (https://rockmommy.com/2023/11/my-10-favorite-childrens-music-songs-of-2023/)
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- Phil's Picks blog, 11/26/23: "Marsha And The Positrons' Latest LP Is Sure To Create Its Own Energy Among Audiences" (https://philspicks.wordpress.com/2023/11/26/marsha-and-the-positrons-latest-lp-is-sure-to-create-its-own-energy-among-audiences/)
- Prism Reviews blog, 10/22/23: "MARSHA & THE POSITRONS, ENERGETIC" (https://prismreviews.wordpress.com/2023/10/22/marsha-the-positrons-energetic/)
- *Electric Kids Music* blog, 107/23: "Album Review: Energetic Marsha and the Positrons" (https://electrickidsmusic.blogspot.com/2023/10/album-review-energetic-marsha-and.html)
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- Midwest Book Review, September 2023, Vol. 33, No. 9: "Music CD Shelf: Energetic" (https://midwestbookreview.com/cbw/sep_23.htm#MusicCD)
- *Michael Doherty's Music Log*, 8/31/23: "Marsha And The Positrons: "Energetic" (2023) CD Review" (https://michaelsmusiclog.blogspot.com/2023/08/marsha-and-positrons-energetic-2023-cd.html)
- The Quincy Sun, 8/31/23: "New Album Merges Science With Positive Social Messages: 'Energetic' By Marsha And The Positrons For Kids And Families"
- *The Cleveland Plain Dealer*, 8/29/23: "This Week's New Music Releases" (https://www.cleveland.com/entertainment/2023/08/peter-frampton-royal-blood-illa-j-slowdive-lead-this-weeks-new-music-releases.html)



Music

These D.C. musicians will delight kids — and their parents, too



Andrés Salguero and his wife, Christina Sanabria, make up the Grammy-winning 123 Andrés. (Zabdiel)

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- Authority Magazine on Medium.com, 8/13/23: "Rising Music Star Marsha Goodman-Wood of Marsha and the Positrons On The Five Things You Need To Shine In The Music Industry" (https:// medium.com/authority-magazine/rising-music-star-marsha-goodman-wood-of-marsha-and-the-positronson-the-five-things-you-need-to-5385ebc0b13d)
- The Mommies Reviews, 7/22/23: "Energetic' Merging Science & Positivity for Kids & Families from Marsha and the Positrons Out Sept. 1, 2023" (https://www.themommiesreviews.com/energetic-merging-science-positivity-for-kids-families-from-marsha-and-the-positrons-out-sept-1-2023/)
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- Electric Kids Music blog, 2/10/23: "Single Review:
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- Kids Rhythm and Rock blog, 2/11/23: "Song Spotlight –
 'Thank You Science' " (https://kidsrhythmandrock.com/song-spotlight-thank-you-science/)
- Electric Kids Music blog, 12/28/22: "Flash Single Review: Marsha and the Positrons - New Leaf" (https://electrickidsmusic.blogspot.com/2022/12/flash-single-review-marsha-and.html)
- Kids Rhythm and Rock blog,12/29/22: "Song Spotlight
 – 'New Leaf' " (https://kidsrhythmandrock.com/song-spotlight-new-leaf/)
- Wolf Trap All Access, 6/24/22: "Marsha and the Positrons Put a Fun Twist on Science Learning Through Kindie Music" (https://allaccess.wolftrap.org/ 2022/06/24/marsha-and-the-positrons)
- WBAL-TV11 (Baltimore, MD) 5/28/21: Story featuring live performance video of "Sound of the Cicadas"

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- Authored article in Pass It On! The Journal of the Journal of the Children's Music Network, Spring 2021, Issue #93: "Where Does Music Reside in the Brain?"
- WBAL-TV11 (Baltimore, MD), 10/17/20: Interview with Ava Marie, Meteorologist & live performance of "Positrons & Virtual School"
- The Washington Post, 5/2/19: "These D.C.
 Musicians will delight kids and their parents
 too" (https://wapo.st/2S8lsnd)
- Metro Kids Parenting Magazine (Greater Delaware Valley — Philadelphia, South Jersey and Delaware), February 2019: "Kindie Grammy Nominees for 2019")
- Amelia Bulletin Monitor (VA), 6/4/20: "Marshall Bullock Summer Reading Program: Marsha and the Positrons"
- Beltway Bambinos blog (including Weekend Picks, various dates; "Virtual birthday parties in Washington, DC and beyond" 4/17/20; video premiere for "Why Can't You Dance on Jupiter?" 9/20/18; video premiere for "The Penguin Song" 1/4/18)
- Family Music n'Arts music blog, 2/13/19: "Kindie Tracks: Marsha and the Positrons, Positronic and Okee Dokee Brothers, Winterland"
- Zooglobble music blog, 1/7/16; "Video: "Sheep Don't Wear Shoes" - Marsha Goodman-Wood (World Premiere!)"

Pass It On Pass It On

Where Does Music Reside in the Brain?



by Marsha Goodman-Wood

RADIO & PODCAST INTERVIEWS

- Featured/Interviewed on Kindie Rock Stars Podcast (Season 1, Ep. 7 "Hey Pluto, Ep. 41 "Alien in an Ambulance", Ep. 92 "Positrons"; Season 2 Ep. 42 with Live Performance on YouTube at: https://youtu.be/ tebDJjVC9sU)
- Featured/interviewed on Good Stuff Kids Podcast,
 Episode #200 (released 6/10/19; https://bit.ly/2KdlKbl)
- Featured/interviewed on The Thought Bowl, Takoma Radio (WOWD, 94.3; 6/1/19)
- Featured/interviewed on Funky Kids Radio/Switch on Radio (Australia, 2/3/19)
- Featured/interviewed on RadioActive Kids (103.3 AshevilleFM, 2/2/19)
- Live concert broadcast for Saturday Morning Tunes on WTMD (Towson, MD; 11/17/18; on YouTube: https:// youtu.be/nGeUWEAM8yg)
- Spins on terrestrial radio, satellite radio, podcasts and playlists in the US, Canada, Australia & Europe, including:

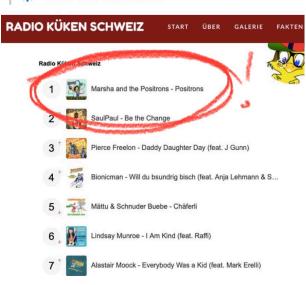


- Sirius/XM Kids Place Live (Channel 78) "Alien in an Ambulance" and "Birdsong" from Positronic
- Kinderling Kids Radio (DAB+ Digital Radio, Australian Radio Network; in flight entertainment on Qantas Airlines; Spinning "Now" from *Positronic*, and "Spinach and Carrots" and "Why Can't You Dance on Jupiter?" from *Gravity Vacation*)
- WXPN Kids Corner (Philadelphia, PA)
- WTMD Young at Heart (Towson, MD)
- RadioActive Kids (103.3 Asheville FM)
- The Children's Hour, Albuquerque, NM
- Spare the Rock, Spoil the Child (KUTX 98.9, Austin; 93.9/101.9 The River, Northampton, MA/Brattleboro, VT; 106.1 The Corner, Charlottesville, VA; KVRZ 88.9, Libby, MT; KIYU, Western Koyukon Region, AK; 103.3 Valley Free Radio, Northampton, MA; WMCN, St. Paul, MN; KFOK, Georgetown, CA; WJFF 90.5 FM, Jeffersonville, NY; KMRE Spark Radio 102.3, Bellingham, WA; KCMJ, Colorado Springs, CO)
- Saturday Morning Cereal Bowl (WAWL, Chattanooga, TN; and podcast)
- Radio Küken Schweiz (Switzerland; http://swiss.radiokueken.de/) #1 and #2 of the Top 50 Most
 Played Songs (Positrons, #1 April 2021 & #2
 June 2021)
- Jump 105.3 FM (Pittsburgh, PA)
- The Playhouse with Trevor, Public Radio Exchange
- Hickory Dickory Dock (WUVT 90.7; Ripplemead, VA)
- WEE Nation Radio (WPFW; Washington, DC)
- Jelly Bean Radio/Jelly Bean Jukebox (podcast; Eastvale, CA)
- Hilltown Families Radio Show (WXOJ; Northampton, MA)
- Handwash Jukebox ("Nobody Likes Viruses and Germs" on Alexa)
- Playtime Playlist (Chicago, IL, and www.playtimeplaylist.com)
- Songs for Teaching featured artist for April 2019 (www.songsforteaching.com)
- Willo's Heartbeatz (93.1 Real FM; Guyana)
- The Kids Show on 95bFM (Auckland, New Zealand)
- Mud Puddle Radio (CKUW, 95.9 FM, Winnipeg, MB, Canada)



Our current top 50 songs played 🤓

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GROUP AFFILIATIONS

- The Recording Academy/GRAMMY's, voting member since 2020
- **ASCAP**, member since 2012
- The Children's Music Network, Mid-Atlantic Region Co-Coordinator, member since 2014; regional rep since 2018
- Songwriters Association of Washington, member since 2013
- Kindiecomm, member since 2012
- The Indie Collaborative, member since 2019
- Womxn of Kindie, member since 2018; co-administrator since 2020
- Women in Music, member since 2023

Winner of a 2023 NAPPA Award: https://www.nappaawards.com/product/energetic/



Energetic

Marsha and the Positrons 3rd <u>record</u> weaves together contributions from a talented group of 18 musicians & kindie artists! The upbeat songs in Energetic cover a range of science topics – bee communication, parts of the brain, starling murmurations, ghost forests, kinetic & potential energy, and cicadas. Other fun tracks relate to life experiences – learning to tie your shoelaces, anxiety about getting shots, enjoying nature, going to the library, dressing for the weather, the magic of dreaming, & giving high fives!

Evaluation comments:

"With "Positrons" as the band's name and *Energetic* as the album's title, you expect a set of uplifting, up-tempo music, and Marsha Goodman-Wood and her group definitely delivers the goods. The happy mood arrives with the opening tune, "Buzz Buzz". "Road To Bremen," meanwhile, conveys the wonderful kinship of making music and "We're Going to The Library" salutes the simple joys that libraries hold. Similarly, fun tracks like "Shoelaces" and "No More Doctor Blues" celebrate the everyday triumphs of learning to tying your shoes and a successful doctor visit, while "New Leaf" underscores the upside of fresh starts. Even more impressive here are the songs where Marsha transforms sophisticated concepts into understandable educational points wrapped up in catchy melodies. "Counting On My Brain" examines various parts, and functions, of a brain. "Kinetic And Potential Energy" addresses energy theories.

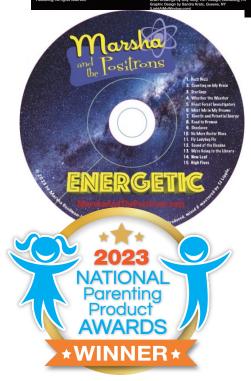
The sublime "Starlings" (featuring hip-hop singer SaulPaul) uses the birds' murmurations (unified formation flying) to promote self-confidence and the capacity to "shine extra bright," while the rocking "Ghost Forest Investigators"...well, you should just investigate this song for yourself. With *Energetic*, the Washington DC-based band scores "an unlimited supply of high fives," as Marsha sings (along with rapper Dumi Right) on the jubilant closing track, "High Fives.""

Suggested Retail: \$12.99 (\$0.99 per track); \$15 CD For Ages: For all ages, but especially for elementary schoolaged kids.

https://marshaandthepositrons.bandcamp.com/merch instagram.com/marshaandthepositrons facebook.com/Marsha.Goodman.Wood twitter.com/marshapositrons

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Winner of a 2019 Parents' Choice Foundation Gold Award: https://www.parentschoice.org/product/positronic/





Positronic

Ages: 3 and up

Producer: Marsha and the Positrons

\$15.00

Singer-songwriter-guitarist Marsha Goodman-Wood, a former cognitive neuroscientist (!), and the Positrons (noted bassist Wardell Howell Jr. and multi-instrumentalists Ayanna Gallant and Kristen Arant) serve up science with an infectious rock 'n roll beat. Goodman-Wood tunefully offers real information-about such things as the difference between giant and colossal squid, Monarch butterfly migration, Pluto's demotion from planet status, metallurgy ("The Ore Song," with homophonic wordplay), gamma rays and radioactive decay. Woven throughout with humorous asides, the songs offer uplifting messages, too: "Don't be electrons, always negative; you could be like protons and stay positive; or be like positrons, fight the negativity, neutralize, chin up and rise, make the world a better place to be ... "For silly fun, the imagination-celebrating, alphabet song, "Alien in an Ambulance," is sung from a fanciful kid's point of view: "I saw an alien in an ambulance ...a cat in a cab ... a dog in a dumptruck ... an elephant riding an escalator," all the way to a "zebra in a Zamboni." Other fine musicians on the album: Ford Combs, Billy Kelly, children's artists Barry Louis Polisar and Lori Henriques; and the album's producer, TJ Lipple.

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A freelance writer and editor for the arts and non-profit organizations, Lynne is a former staff writer for the Los Angeles Times, where she established the paper's first weekly children's arts and entertainment beat.

Winner of a 2019 NAPPA National Parenting Products Award: https://www.nappaawards.com/product/positronic/



1. Explore the World 8. Meow, Meow, Achoo 2. Giant & Colossal Squid 9. The Monarch Butterfly Song (feat. Barry Louis Polisar) 10. Something New 3. Birdsong (feat. Lori Henriques) 11. Alien in an Ambulance (feat. Barry Louis Polisar) 4. Hey Pluto **12.** Now 5. Positrons 6. The Ore Song (feat. Billy Kelly 7. A Better Way Produced, mixed & mastered by TJ Lipple



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Positronic

Marsha and the Positrons clever lyrics about science and how the world works, positive messages and catchy sound will definitely entertain kids and grown-ups alike. This 12-track album skillfully weaves science with themes of friendship and kindness, underscored with an infectious rock beat. Playful, educational, and engaging, this record features collaborations with other children's musicians such as Barry Louis Polisar, Lori Henriques and Billy Kelly. Produced by talented indie rocker, TJ Lipple.

From our Music Judge:

"Antimatter exists/Quantum Physics is real" – not very many singers, let alone children's musicians, could make this sophisticated lyric sound matter-of-fact and melodic, but Marsha Goodman-Wood does so on the track, "Positrons," which posits all types of scientific terms in a kid-friendly way. Goodman-Wood and her band do a superb job conveying some very heady ideas in clever, tuneful ways that will entertain listeners of all ages. With their jazz-flavored, poppy rock sound, Marsha And The Positrons sing about squids to offer a lesson on invertebrate creatures and about a sneezing cat to discuss being sensitive to others' allergies, as well as exploring the "mysteries" of garbage and recyclables collections. "Alien in an Ambulance," another album highlight, is a wonderfully wacky tune filled with excellent alphabet-centric wordplay."

Suggested Retail: \$15.00 physical; \$9.99 digital For Ages: For the entire family

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#positronic #positrons #kindie
#kindness #friendship #positivity
#childrensmusic

ADDITIONAL MEDIA QUOTES

"Marsha Goodman-Wood is a ninja in disguise. She is a DC-based singer/songwriter who makes music for clever kids with sharp imaginations and active minds brimming with curiosity. Marsha is also a former cognitive neuroscientist. Yep, you read that right. Brain science...pretty cool." "As a songwriter, Marsha brings her educational background and combines it with her experience as a music and drama teacher as well as her role as a mom of three."

Rebecca Yorn Allison - Kids Can Groove

"Goodman-Wood was no ordinary children's singer...She was very, very good. Her clear voice reminded me of Carole King, as did her very curly hair. Her stage presence was lively without being grating, a highly delicate balance for a children's performer."

Shannon - We'll Eat You Up, We Love You So

"Wood delighted guests with several original songs focusing on science and child safety, including the song "Wear a Helmet." Wood is no stranger to topics like concussions or traumatic brain injuries, as she once worked as a researcher in the field of cognitive neuroscience. She is always thrilled to perform for families and happy to share her knowledge of science through a song."

Paul Bello - National Museum of Health and Medicine, News & Events

"Goodman-Wood makes quite a splash with her debut album. The nine original songs are a unique blend of science and positive social messages encompassed within toe tapping melodies and sing-along worthy lyrics."

Veronica DeFazio - School Library Journal

"While there's plenty of children's media that encourages kids not to give into the misguided ideas of their friends, it's generally to guide them instead into following the advice of authority figures, a la 'Just say no.' But in contrast, the sheep says in the first verse, 'And though I'm usually good / And though I try to obey / Maybe it's time to refuse.' In the end, the sheep decides, 'I've got to form my own views!' An awesome lesson for kids that you need to be the one to decide, not authority or your friends."

Shannon - We'll Eat You Up, We Love You So

"Though I've been listening to kids music for about 15 years now, I can still be surprised by what tickles my fancy. What was it then about this video for "Sheep Don't Wear Shoes," a simple little ditty from Marsha Goodman-Wood, off her album Gravity Vacation? The gentle (though not over-the-top) message of independence? The big-eyed sheep illustrated by Danielle Dekoker and assembled into video form by fellow kids musician Patricia Shih? The fact that it stars sheep (I do like my animated sheep)? I'm still not entirely sure, but I liked it enough to be happy to world-premiere the video this morning."

Stefan Shepherd - Zooglobble

"Danielle De Koker's wonderful, whimsical illustrations tell the tale in this storybook-style animation of the song "Sheep Don't Wear Shoes" from Marsha's debut CD of song about science and how the world works, "Gravity Vacation".

Allison - Beltway Bambinos

"These numbers could easily be incorporated into programs and lesson plans or enjoyed in a family setting. A solid addition to any collection."

Veronica DeFazio - School Library Journal

"From the joys of spinach and carrots to dancing penguins, Goodman-Wood's songs aim to entertain and teach life lessons."

Editors' Picks - Washington Post Going Out Guide

"Greatest children's museum, 45 mins from DC- worth the trip. Especially with Marsha performing at a free show (included with admission)."

Allison - Beltway Bambinos: Weekend Picks

"...talented/celebrated/scientifically astute yet adorably warm and amusing..." "Goodman-Wood has a reputation for getting kids up and dancing. I can attest: Parents will want to dance along with their grooving brood!"

B. Boyd - Baltimore Fishbowl

"The day was filled with inspiring stories, calls to action, and fun songs celebrating breastfeeding.' '...here is a little video of a fun breastfeeding song by one of those amazing mamas and singer-songwriter, Marsha Goodman-Wood, that captures the spirit of the Great Nurse-In's message beautifully."

Emily Mohajeri Norris - Breastfeeding Friendly

"No, I do not know the moment I met Marsha, but I remember very well the day she joined our movement. I was in the grocery store fruit [a]isle and I told her about this idea I was hatching to create a Walking Gallery. I asked her to join us and consider writing a song. She could focus on hand washing, as it was so necessary to fight infections in the hospital setting."

Regina Holliday - Regina Holliday's Medical Advocacy Blog

"He was watching all the cars and asked, 'How do you know the cars won't float away?' 'Gravity!' we said, and proceeded to explain a bit about what gravity is. Then he said, 'But how do you know they'll never ever float away?' My husband said, 'Well, there's no vacation from gravity!"

Marsha Goodman-Wood - Baltimore Fishbowl

"This week on Head Lines, we introduce you to a local mother whose musical talent has a message for all to hear. Marsha Goodman-Wood has created her first CD entitled, 'Gravity Vacation.' One of those songs encourages us all to be safer when we ride our bikes."

www.concussionTV.com - Head Lines with Jan Fox