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***Author and former music educator aims to spread the love of music and instrument awareness to younger ages with important life lessons included!***

[Fredericksburg, Virginia] Local author Courtney Vowell Woodward released her debut children's book, *Family Dynamics: Embrace Your Sound*, on March 1, 2022. Courtney's main focus is to bring music education into every home by including easy-to-understand, simple musical knowledge within heartfelt stories. Stories that have long-lasting life lessons.

**Not only are the instruments illustrated with precision, but the instruments ARE the characters!**

With all the benefits that music education provides, Courtney found it necessary to create a story where the instruments told the facts. Instruments that look like real instruments – providing students with the visual knowledge to identify instruments in real life.

And the instruments will also help convey important lessons that will stick with them throughout life.



***“Violin was able to hear the true beauty of different instruments all performing as one.”***

Join violin on a music store adventure as she goes in search of the sounds she always hears throughout. She tries to sound like the other instruments, but no matter what she tries, she can't make the same incredible sounds.



Along her journey, Violin will meet the Woodwind Family, the Brass Family, the Percussion Family, and Ms. Grand Piano (*a member of the String and Percussion families*).

## Will Violin embrace her sound?



After teaching music education in the classroom for 15 years, Courtney Vowell Woodward now hopes to share her passion and love for music through early children's literature. She wants music to not only be a part of elementary music classrooms, but a part of

every young family's home. *Sharing Music Education with Heart.*

The book is available for purchase on Amazon, Barnes and Noble, Target, and the Ingram Catalog; the author can be contacted for in-person or virtual visits.

For more information about this book or to schedule an interview, visit [www.courtneywoodward.com](http://www.courtneywoodward.com) or email the author directly at [fourheartsbooks@gmail.com](mailto:fourheartsbooks@gmail.com).



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