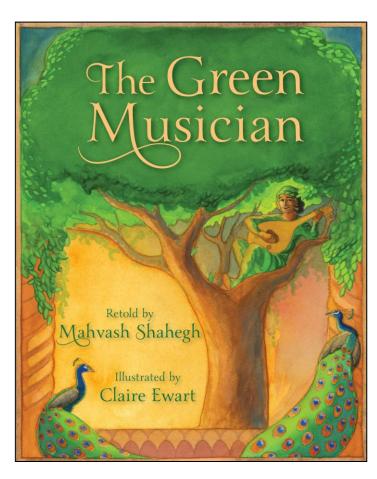
## The Green Musician

# Retold by Mahvash Shahegh Illustrated by Claire Ewart



If you had just one chance to achieve your dream, what would you do? Long ago in the land of Persia lived Barbad the musician, whose only wish was to play before the king. When his way is blocked by a jealous rival, Barbad's solution is simple: hide up in a tree and wait for the king to arrive! Adapted by author Mahvash Shahegh from an ancient Persian tale, and magically brought to life by award-winning illustrator, Claire Ewart, this whimsical story proves that all good things really do come to those who wait.

#### **About This Book**

- The Green Musician is adapted from a 1,000 year old story found in the Persian "Book of Kings."
- It is a whimsical, light-hearted story that teaches the importance of patience and determination in reaching one's goal.
- The beautiful illustrations and the cultural significance of this classical story will appeal to children and adults alike.

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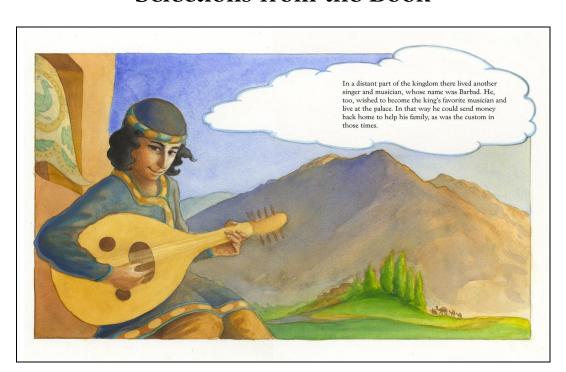




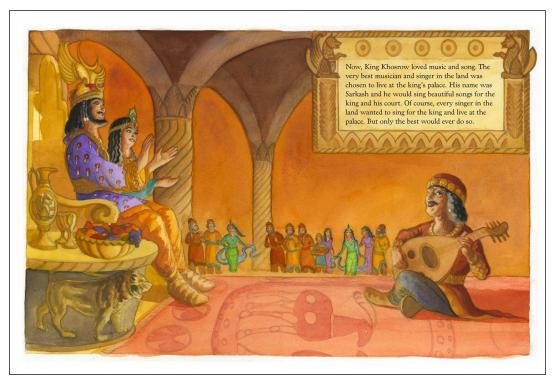
"Ewart's watercolor illustrations are done in a realistic rather than 'Persian miniature' style and set the episode amid verdant hills and rich interiors awash in candlelit gold. . . . A serene, simply retold tale of dreams pursued and achieved (source and background notes) (Picture book/folk tale. 6-8)."

#### —Kirkus Reviews

### Selections from the Book



Sample Pages





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#### About the Illustrator



Claire Ewart is an award-winning author and illustrator of children's books. Her most recent book is *The Olive Tree* by Elsa Marston. In addition to illustrating books by such well-known authors as Paul Fleischman and Tomie dePaola, she has also written and illustrated several of her own books, including *One Cold Night*, *The Giant*, and *Fossil*. Claire has received the Celebrate Literacy Award from the International Reading Association, while her work as an illustrator has been included on Best Book lists from *School Library Journal* 

and *Parent's Magazine*. Her titles have also appeared on the PBS television shows *Reading Rainbow* and *Storytime*. Claire lives in Fort Wayne, IN.

