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Dedication

First Page

About the Author



When I look at you
And you look at me,
I wonder what wonderful
Things you will be.



When you were too small
To tell me hello,
I knew you were someone
I wanted to know.



For all of your tininess
Couldn't disguise
A heart so enormous . . .



And wild . . .



and wise.









This is the first time









There's ever been you,



So I wonder what wonderful things



You will do.



Will you stand up for good By saving the day?



Or play a song only you Know how to play?



Will you tell a story
That only you know?



Will you learn what it means To help things to grow?



Will you learn how to fly To find the best view?



Or take care of things





Much smaller than you?



 \mathcal{J} know you'll be kind . . .



And clever . . .



and bold.



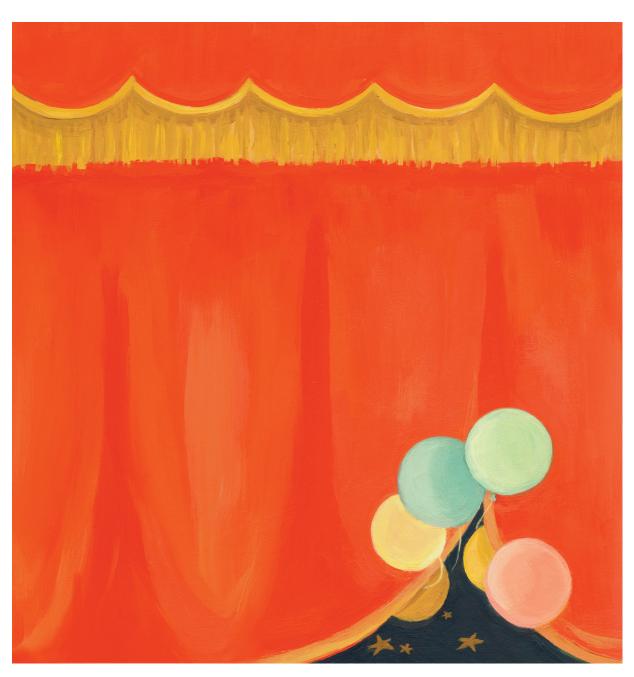
And the bigger your heart, The more it will hold.



When nights are black and When days are gray—
You'll be brave and be bright So no shadows can stay.



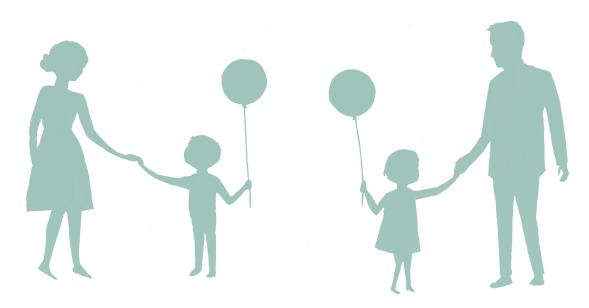
Then you will discover All there is to see . . .



And become *anybody*That you'd like to be.







And then I'll look at you
And you'll look at me
And I'll love you,
Whoever you've grown up to be.



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spent a lot of time as a child wondering what she would grow up to be. She turned out to be lots of things: a painter, stitcher, cat tamer, and author and illustrator of books like *Dream Animals* and *Day Dreamers*. Her art shop, The Black Apple, has been featured in national publications and on television. Emily lives among the giant fir trees of Portland, Oregon, where she wonders what other things she will be. Visit her online at emilywinfieldmartin.com.









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