

'The sharp text ... the pictures brim with goofy details ... It all adds up to a highly satisfying uncovering of a parent's feet of clay.' *Publishers Weekly*



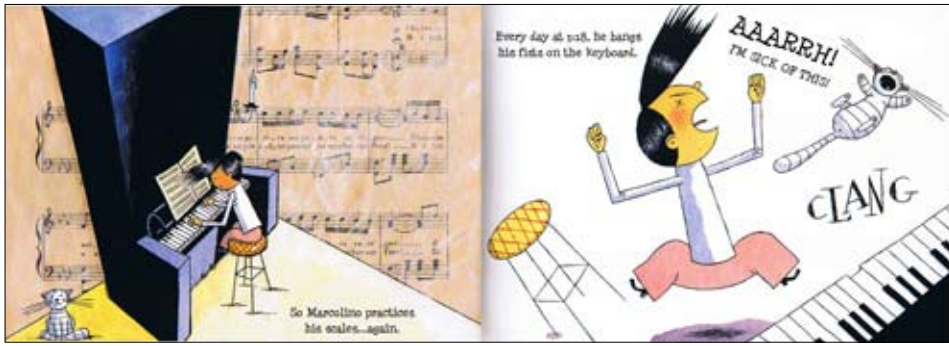
- A tale with a twist about marching to your own beat
- Special Mention - Bologna Children's Book Fair Ragazzi Awards
- Named a 2008 Outstanding International Book by the US Board on Books for Young People (USBBY)
- From Davide Cali, award-winning author of 'A Dad Who Measures Up' and 'The Enemy'
- Introducing Eric Heliot, one of France's most prolific and popular illustrators

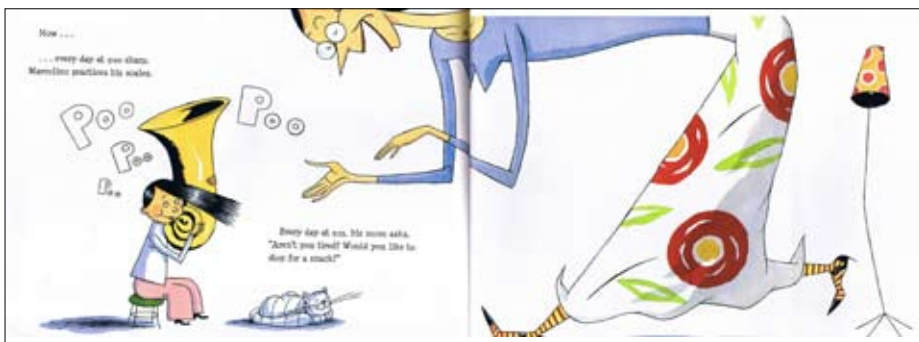
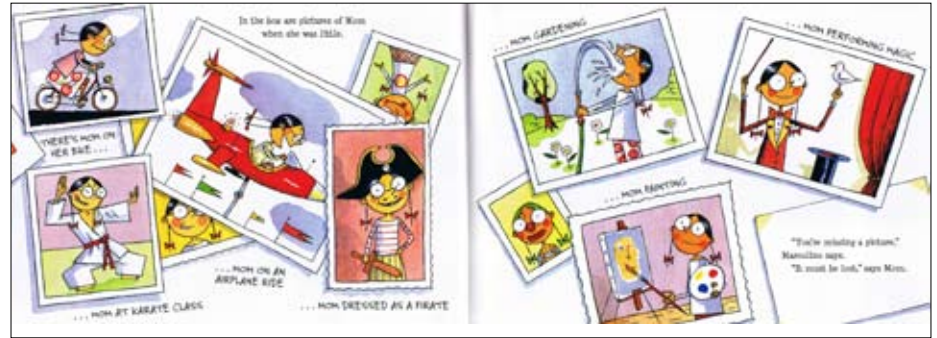
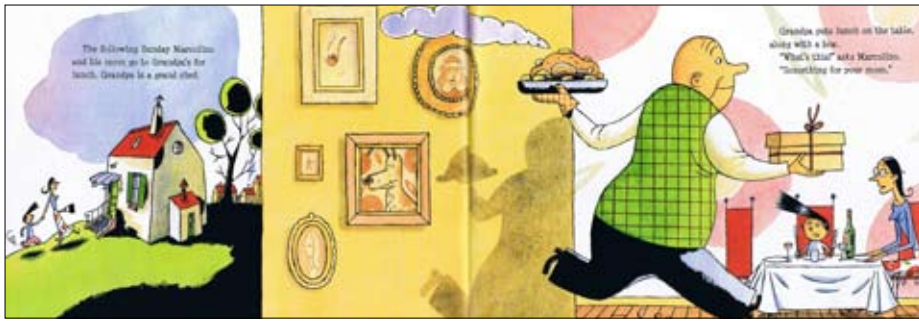
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ABOUT THE BOOK

Every child has to do something they don't want to do at some stage.

In David Cali and Eric Héliot's internationally acclaimed picture book about three generations and an upright, young Marcolino doesn't want to practice the piano.

'When I was your age I played for hours,' Mum insists.



Marcolino reluctantly obeys his mum, until his grandfather reveals that Mum's attitude to the piano when she was a little girl wasn't so different from Marcolino's.

Realising her error, Mum lets Marcolino choose any instrument he likes from the music shop. His choice? An enormous and delightfully loud tuba!

An entertaining and quirky work by two of Europe's most popular creators of books for younger children, 'Piano Piano' is about finding your passion, no matter if that passion strays from the norm.

Warmly reflecting on the connections between child, parent and grandparent, 'Piano Piano' also has something to say about the importance of respecting individuality, and letting children pursue their own interests.

It's also a lot of fun!

ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Daide Cali is one of Europe's most innovative and acclaimed writers for children. He is the author of 20 illustrated books, including *A Dad Who Measures Up* (with Anna Laura Cantone), *The Enemy* and *I Love Kissing You* (both illustrated by Serge Bloch). His *I Can't Wait* (illustrated by Serge Bloch) won France's prestigious Baobab Prize for the most innovative book of 2005 and was also named honour book in the American Library Association's Batchelder Award (for the best children's book translated into English). His books have now been translated and published in 15 countries, Davide lives in Genoa, Italy. *Piano Piano* is the fourth of his works to be published in Australia and New Zealand by Wilkins Farago.

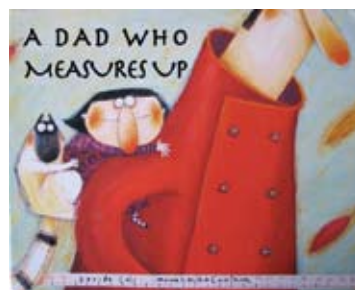


ABOUT THE ILLUSTRATOR

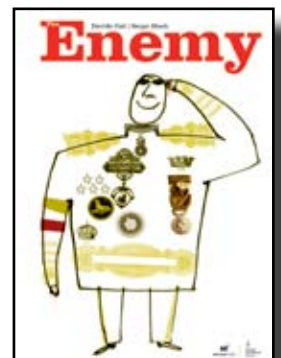
Eric Héliot is one of France's most celebrated and successful book illustrators, with an amazing 50 titles to his name. Equally amazing, *Piano Piano* is the first of his books to be published in Australia and New Zealand. Eric studied at the Beaux-Arts in Rouen and Le Havre, France, before becoming a freelance illustrator of picture books and comic books. He now lives in Rouen, France. His illustrations for *Piano Piano* received special mention in the renowned Bologna Book Fair Ragazzi Awards.

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